Contending Earnestly for the Faith

(Progressive vs. Historic Christianity)

Contending for the Exclusivity of the Gospel

Part 6

I. The Deconstruction of Jesus as the Only Way.

- A. *Deconstructing* the narrow way of salvation in historic Christianity.
- B. Reconstructing a broader way of salvation in progressive Christianity.

Pluralism

Inclusivism

II. The Deconstruction of Doubt.

A. The *exclusivity* of the gospel is the clear teaching of Scripture.

One Way. Cf. Matt.7:13,14; Jn.14:6

One Name. Cf. Acts 4:12

One Mediator. Cf. 1 Tim.2:5,6

B. Faith in Christ alone is the only remedy for sinners.

Cf. Acts 17:30,31; Rom.10:9-14

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