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1. Bigots must be taught to shut-up and stay in their place.
2. Certain elements in our society must be made to pay for the violence of their ancestors.
3. Colleges and universities that permit speakers with intolerant views should be publicly condemned.
4. I am in favor of allowing the government to shut down right-wing internet sites and blogs that promote nutty, hateful positions.
5. Fox News, right-wing talk radio, and other conservative media outlets should be prohibited from broadcasting their hateful views.
6. Getting rid of inequality is more important than protecting the so-called “right” to free speech.
7. I cannot imagine myself becoming friends with a political conservative.
8. I hate being around non-progressive people.
9. I hate people who are themselves hateful.
10. I hope that far right extremists become sterile and can never reproduce.
11. I would be willing to take up arms to help a left-wing revolution succeed.
12. I would prefer a far-left leader with absolute authority over a right-wing leader with limited power.
13. If I could remake society, I would put members of historically and presently marginalized groups at the top.
14. If you're not going to support marginalized folks, you and I can't be friends.
15. It is important that we destroy the West's nationalist, imperialist values.
16. Not to change one's behavior to accommodate victims of social injustice is a denial of their humanity.
17. One isn't closed-minded for hating people who are themselves closed-minded.
18. Opposition to affirmative action is, by definition, racist.
19. People who are prejudiced against transgender folks are all evil.
20. Political correctness does not hinder free speech - it expands it.
21. The only good racist is a dead racist.
22. When we spend all of our time protecting the right to “free speech” we're protecting the rights of sexists, racists, and homophobes at the cost of marginalized people.

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