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# BIBLICAL WORLD VIEW

VIEWING THE WORLD WITH A RENEWED MIND

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## WHAT IS A WORLDVIEW?

Webster's Dictionary defines worldview as; a particular philosophy of life or conception of the world.

The use of the word "worldview" has drastically increased since the 1950's and gained popularity. You hear this phrase, "broaden your worldview" all the time, but is this a good goal to have? A worldview is the framework from which we view reality and make

sense of life and the world.



"A WORLDVIEW IS ANY IDEOLOGY, PHILOSOPHY, THEOLOGY, MOVEMENT OR RELIGION THAT PROVIDES AN OVERARCHING APPROACH TO UNDERSTANDING GOD, THE WORLD AND MAN'S RELATIONS TO GOD AND THE WORLD."

-David Noebel, author of Understanding the Times.

A recent nationwide survey completed by the Barna Research Group determined that only 4 percent of Americans had a "Biblical" worldview.

Barna's survey also connected an individual's worldview with his or her moral beliefs and actions. Barna says, "Although most people own a Bible and know some of its content, our research found that most Americans have little idea how to integrate core Biblical principles to form a unified and meaningful response to the challenges and opportunities of life."



## WHAT IS A BIBLICAL WORLDVIEW?

A Biblical worldview is a worldview that is based on the infallible Word of God. When you believe the Bible is entirely true, then you allow it to be the foundation of everything you say, do, and think. In order to have a Biblical worldview, you must know what the Bible says about various topics of life, humanity, God, and more.

TAKE A BIBLICAL WORLDVIEW TEST.

ANSWER YES OR NO TO THE FOLLOWING QUESTIONS ON THE RIGHT THAT ARE BASED ON CLAIMS FOUND IN THE BIBLE AND WHICH GEORGE BARNA USED IN A RECENT SURVEY...

DID YOU ANSWER YES TO ALL OF THESE QUESTIONS? STUDIES REPORTED ONLY 9 PERCENT OF "BORN- AGAIN" BELIEVERS DID.

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#### 8 QUESTIONS.

- Do absolute moral truth exist?
- Is absolute truth defined by the Bible?
- Did Jesus Christ live a sinless life?
- Is God the all-powerful and allknowing Creator of the universe, and does He still rule it today?
- Is salvation a gift from God that cannot be earned?
- Is Satan real?
- Does a Christian have a responsibility to share his or her faith in Christ with other people?
- Is the Bible accurate in all of its teachings?

### HOW DOES OUR WORLDVIEW GET TAINTED?



The world around us is constantly telling us what to think, do, and believe. Look an any tv show, movie, magazine, or even billboard and it's clear to see that everything has an agenda. Everything is fighting for your attention and the world wants you to buy into a worldview that is not just unBiblical, but it is anti-Biblical.

Because we live in a selfish, fallen world, these ideas seductively appeal to the desires of our flesh, and we often end up incorporating them into our personal worldview. Sadly, we often do this without even knowing it.



For example, most Christians would agree with 1 Thessalonians 4:3 and other Scriptures that command us to avoid sexual immorality, but how often do Christians fall into lust or premarital and extramarital sexual sin? Is it simply because they are weak when tempted, or did it begin much earlier, with the seductive lies from our sexualized society?

"I BELIEVE IN CHRISTIANITY AS I BELIEVE THAT THE SUN HAS RISEN, NOT ONLY BECAUSE I SEE IT. BUT BECAUSE BY IT I SEE EVERYTHING ELSE."

- C.S. Lewis

### THE DANGER IN LOSING A BIBLICAL WORLDVIEW



If we don't really believe the truth of God and live it, then our witness will be confusing and misleading. Most of us will go through life not even recognizing that our personal worldviews have been deeply affected by the world. When you begin to look more like the world and less like Jesus, you can assume that your Biblical worldview is beginning to be lost.

Through the media and other influences, the secularized American view of history, law, politics, science, God and man affects our thinking more than we realize. We must be aware and on guard against the worldly views in order to maintain our Biblical worldview.



"DON'T LET ANYONE CAPTURE YOU WITH EMPTY PHILOSOPHIES AND HIGH-SOUNDING NONSENSE THAT COME FROM HUMAN THINKING AND FROM THE SPIRITUAL POWERS OF THIS WORLD, RATHER THAN FROM CHRIST."

- COLOSSIANS 2:8

"WHEN THE GOD OF THE BIBLE IS REJECTED. PEOPLE CHOOSE A NEW GOD."

- Charles Colson & Harold Fickett, The Faith

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"YOU WILL RECEIVE POWER WHEN THE HOLY SPIRIT COMES ON YOU; AND YOU WILL BE MY WITNESSES IN JERUSALEM, AND IN ALL JUDEA AND SAMARIA, AND TO THE ENDS OF THE EARTH."

**ACTS 1:8**