



Teaching Notes

Biblical Worldview

Week 1 – What is a Biblical Worldview?

Colossian 2:8

A worldview is the framework from which we view reality and make sense of life and the world. It's any ideology, philosophy, theology, movement or religion that provides an overarching approach to understanding reality and making sense of the world. Whether conscious or subconscious, every person has some type of worldview. A personal worldview is a combination of all we believe to be true, and what we believe becomes the driving force behind every emotion, decision and action. Therefore, it affects our response to every area of life (politics, relationships, finances, etc.). A follower of Christ should have a **biblical worldview** that is based solely on the infallible Word of God. When we believe the Bible is entirely true, then the Scriptures become the framework (lens) by which we understand absolute and eternal truth.

READ:

Colossians 2:8

- Why is it so necessary that a Christian have a biblical worldview?
- What are some of the “traditions of men” that we see mixed in our culture/churches/world today?
- What does Paul mean by not being taken captive by “empty deceit?” What sort of deceptive philosophies (lens) typically lead people away from Christ today?

DISCUSS:

Do you have a biblical worldview? Answer the following questions based on biblical truths found in God's Word:

- Do absolute moral truths exist? (Psalm 86:11)
- Is absolute truth defined by the Bible? (John 8:31-32)
- Did Jesus Christ live a sinless life? (1 Peter 2:22)
- Is God the all-powerful and all-knowing Creator of the universe? (Psalm 135:6)
- Is salvation a gift from God that cannot be earned? (Ephesian 2:8-9)
- Is Satan real? (1 Peter 5:8)
- Does a Christian have a responsibility to share the Gospel with others? (Mark 16:15)
- Is the Bible accurate in all of its teachings? (2 Timothy 3:16)

PRAY:

In a recent survey, only 9% of “born- again” believers answered yes to all the questions above. Spend some time praying that your faith would reflect what God tells you in His Word is real and true.

RESPOND:

Be diligent this week to apply and trust God's truths in every area of your life — whether it's watching a movie, communicating with your spouse, raising your kids or working at the office. Begin to develop a deep comprehensive faith that will stand against the unrelenting tide of our culture's nonbiblical ideas.