

Christ and Culture Review

- What did we learn last week?
- Why does it matter?

Introduction to Worldviews

Do Ideas Matter?

Is this too obvious?

Colossians 1:13-20 Comprehensive View of Reality

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Colossians 1:13-20, Comprehensive View of Reality,

13 For He rescued us from the **domain of darkness**, and transferred us to the kingdom of His beloved Son, 14 in whom **we have redemption**, the forgiveness of sins. 15 He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation. 16 **For by Him all things were created**, both in the heavens and on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or **authorities—all things have been created through Him and for Him**. 17 He is before all things, and **in Him all things hold together**. 18 He is also **head of the body**, the church; and He is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, so that He Himself will come to have first place in everything. 19 For it was the Father's good pleasure for all the fullness to dwell in Him, 20 and through Him to reconcile all things to Himself, having made peace through the blood of His cross; through Him, I say, whether things on earth or things in heaven. (Colossians 1:13–20)

Note WV Components in this passage

Genesis 1-2, Worldview Implications

- God exists, creates, and is involved in His creation!
- Universe not eternal

Key Idea:
Know the Scriptures, TO
Understand and Influence Others

Overview of the components of
all Worldviews in General and the
CWV specifically.

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Over the next two weeks

Learn key concepts that will help us analyze unbelief in general.

How have you personally been impacted by others worldviews? What do you see in society?

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This really matters. Some difficult terms ahead.

The "thought" leaders of our times in academia and media.

Unbelief in schools of all types filtering down and impacting us through politics and societal beliefs in general.

They use these terms, so we should at least have an awareness of them.

Key Concept: Worldview

What might this term mean?

Worldview:

A persons "*network*" of presuppositions; a person's *philosophy* or way of understanding reality, that *governs all thought and life*, NOT tested by natural science.

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Briefly explain.

KEY Concept:

No Neutrality in Life

What might this mean?

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Mankind is NOT Neutral. **Think of this when in conversations with ALL people**

Trying to think or live without making a religious commitment or ultimate presupposition.

This is impossible. Attempting it presupposes a commitment against the true God.

Key Concept:

Presupposition

What might this mean?

Presuppositions

- A belief that precedes and governs other beliefs;
- A belief that is often unconscious
- Ultimate/elementary presupposition: the belief that governs all other beliefs, or the most fundamental commitment of the heart.
- The Christian's ultimate presupposition: The Lordship of Christ over all thinking and living.

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Presuppositions

We ALL have them and act out of them through our thinking and behavior.

NEXT Overview

- *Key Components of Worldviews and Philosophy*
- *The Christian Worldview*