

LESSON ONE

Why Does It Matter What I Believe

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WHAT'S A WORLDVIEW? MY WORDVIEW: THE BELIEFS I BUILD MY LIFE ON

- “*THE ONE WITH MOST TOYS WINS*” _____
Jesus: “A man’s life does not consist in the abundance of his possessions.”
Luke 12:15 (NIV)
- “*I’VE GOT TO THINK OF ME FIRST*” _____
Jesus: “If you try to keep your life for yourself, you will lose it.
But if you give up your life for me, you will find true life.”
Matthew 16:25 (NLT)
- “*DO WHATEVER FEELS GOOD*” _____
“Are you addicted to thrills? What an empty life! The pursuit of pleasure is never satisfied.”
Proverbs 21:17 (Mes)
- “*WHATEVER WORKS FOR YOU*” _____
“There is a way that seems right to a man, but in the end it leads to death.”
Proverbs 14:12 (NIV)
- “*GOD DOESN’T EXIST OR MATTER*” _____
“From the beginning of creation, God has shown what He is like by all He has made. That’s why those people don’t have any excuse. They know about God, but they don’t honor Him or even thank Him... They claim to be wise, but they are fools.”
Romans 1:20-22 (CEV)
- “*YOU ARE YOUR OWN GOD*” _____
“They exchanged the truth of God for a lie, and worshipped created things rather than the Creator.”
Romans 1:25 (NIV)
- “*GOD MADE ME FOR HIS PURPOSES*” _____
“For everything, absolutely everything, above and below, visible and invisible... everything got started in Him and finds its purpose in Him.”
Colossians. 1:16 (Mes)

2

WHY DOES IT MATTER WHAT I BELIEVE?

“Be careful how you think; your life is shaped by your thoughts.”

Proverbs 4:23 (TEV)

“If people can't see what God is doing, they stumble all over themselves; but when they attend to what He reveals, they are most blessed.”

Proverbs 29:18 (Mes)

“Always be ready to give a logical defense to anyone who asks you to account for the hope that is in you, but do it courteously and respectfully.”

1 Peter 3:15 (Amp)

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HOW CAN I STRENGTHEN MY WORLDVIEW?

WHAT IS TRUE.

“Learn the truth and never reject it. Get wisdom, self-control, and understanding.”

Pr. 23:23 (NCV)

WHAT IS FALSE.

“Don't believe everything you hear. Carefully weigh and examine what people tell you. Not everyone who talks about God comes from God. There are a lot of lying teachers loose in the world.”

1 John 4:1 (Mes)

FROM THE WORLD TO THE WORD.

“Do not conform any longer to the pattern of this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind. Then you will be able to test and approve what God's will is - His good, pleasing and perfect will.”

Rom. 12:2 (NIV)

“A wise person is hungry for truth, while the fool feeds on trash.”

Pr. 15:14 (NLT)

YOURSELF WITH GOD'S AGENDA.

“God will give you all you need from day to day if you make the Kingdom of God your primary concern.”

Luke 12:31 (NLT)

“Stop thinking like children. In regard to evil be infants, but in your thinking be adults.”

1 Cor. 14:20 (NIV)