



## What Is the Christian Worldview?

*“Everyone’s got one; a way to see the world. A way to live and value things and explain why stuff happens and what it all means. But who molds mine? Me...my friends...my music...my parents...God...who?”*

How do you see the world? How do you explain what’s going on around you? How do you answer those who ask you to explain why things happen? We all want answers, we all want the truth. Living with a Christian worldview means living with God as your foundation for how you think, speak, write and interact with others. John 14:6 *“Jesus answered, I am the way and the truth and the life.”* Without seeing the world as Jesus sees it, life just does not work.

It is natural to want answers for the big questions in life. *From where did I come? Why is there such a mess in the world? What hope do I have? What is my purpose in life? What happens when I die?* In the quest for truth, we can easily get tangled in the world’s answers. The Christian worldview untangles us from the world, because the Christian worldview is the way Jesus sees the world. It is the only worldview that makes sense and is based on absolute truth.

God doesn’t shy away from answering life’s big questions and neither should we. From where did I come? The Bible is the foundation of the Christian worldview. It is God’s Word. In Genesis 1:1, it is written *“In the beginning God created...”* For years we have been taught through secular schools, the media and some in the science arena that life is a result of random molecules bumping into each other over millions of years and poof, life emerges. Doesn’t sound scientific, but there are many intelligent scientists who know evolution makes no sense, but choose to believe evolution because the alternative is to believe in God. After studying creation and evolution it is obvious that it takes a lot more faith to believe in evolution than it does in the intelligent design theory. The designer is God, Elohim.

Romans 3:23 *“for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God,”* The mess in the world is a result of disobeying God, which He calls sin. The ugly stuff in this world from lying, cheating, hating, gossiping, and jealousy, to name a few, have made this world a difficult place to live. The hope we have is to know that Jesus died on the cross for the forgiveness of sins. Those who believe are forgiven and when they die, they are promised a place in heaven for eternity with God!

Our purpose is to worship and love God and to live out the fullness of His life in us (Matthew 22:36-40; John 10:10). Our purpose is to love God and others as we are conformed to the likeness of God. Living with a Christian worldview means always remembering from where we came and striving everyday to be more like God’s risen Son, even in a world that is hard and broken.

Now is the time for us to change the way we think, the way we see the world, and the way we respond to it. It’s time to live with compassion and forgiveness, putting all of our trust in God. When that happens, the Holy Spirit blesses us with the fruit of the Spirit which is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness and self-control.

Ephesians 5:8 *“For you were once darkness, but now you are light in the Lord. Live as children of light.”*