



9:00 Live Sunday School at FBJ

How's My CWV?

I. Christian Worldview Guiding Scripture -1st Peter 1:13-21

A. What does Peter tell us to do? Or how to live?

- Preparing for action
- Jesus will reveal
- Obedience as children
- I'm no longer ignorant
- BE HOLY
- The Father is judging my deeds
- I'm in exile
- His shed blood and His coming was for me
- Showing my faith in God
- Showing my hope in God

II. Why do I need a CWV in my life?

When I have questions about how to live a holy life and I seek the answers from God in my prayer life, He will answer. It may be yes, it may be no, it may be not now. His Word will be the answer source most of the time.

III. What is the Christian WorldView?

- God-centered and God-created
- His plan was to create us for worship but sin messed that up – it caused a separation from Him
- I need salvation from sin and to close the gulf between God and me
- I am in exile and my home is heaven not Earth
- While I am “tabernacled” here in exile on Earth I have one job: BE HOLY
- His Word will show that to me
- His Word is sufficient

IV. What is the NON-Christian WorldView?

- My answers come from my feelings
- Earth was big-banged and not God-centered
- There is no heaven and there is no hell
- Sin is relevant – I need no saving from anything
- Earth is home – I'm not “tabernacled” anywhere
- It's about happy NOT holy
- It's about good NOT God

V. Are we jackalopes?

A. Revelation 3:16: So, because you are lukewarm, and neither hot nor cold, I will spit you out of my mouth. (ESV)

B. What's my CWV Responsibility? Salt and Light

VI. How Did We Get Here? Pre-Modernism/Modernism/Post-Modernism

A. From Dr. Rick Durst of Gateway (Golden Gate) Baptist Seminary in California

1. Three primary periods:

a) Pre-Modernity – AD 1 –AD 1600

b) Modernity – AD 1600 – AD 2000

c) Post-Modernity – AD 2000 - ?

B. Pre-Modernism

- God is at the center of thought and how we interact with each other
- The Roman Catholic Church will decide what it is that God says and wants
- Do not mess with the authority of the Church nor the God-ordained kings and queens and rulers (the Thirty Year's War)

C. Modernism

- The Reformation, the Renaissance and the Enlightenment change that
- Perspective changes from focus of God to the focus of man
- New denominations and new ideas of how government works
- Scientific discoveries and move from agriculture-based to cities and industry
- We (the people and the rulers) will decide what religion and government we will have (sort-of)
- Man will figure this all out if we are simply more educated and more scientific

- That's all good except... Man messes the whole thing up
 - Holocaust, Russian pogroms, World War I and World War II, Vietnam, China and Japan
 - Man is now seen as de-structive and not con-structive

D. Post-Modernism

- The thing that must be saved is the Earth – man is messing it up
- We are in an ecological crisis
- Couple this with a NON-Christian World View we got us a real mess
- Is this biblical?

2nd Chronicles 7:11-14

Thus Solomon finished the house of the LORD and the king's house. All that Solomon had planned to do in the house of the LORD and in his own house he successfully accomplished. Then the LORD appeared to Solomon in the night and said to him: "I have heard your prayer and have chosen this place for myself as a house of sacrifice. When I shut up the heavens so that there is no rain, or command the locust to devour the land, or send pestilence among my people, if my people who are called by my name humble themselves and pray and seek my face and turn from their wicked ways, then I will hear from heaven and will forgive their sin and heal their land. (ESV)

VII. My Take Away

- Why do we need a Christian World View?
- So He will forgive our sins and heal our land

Questions? Comments? Thoughts?

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