

## **Biblical Worldview**

A worldview describes how you see the world. A worldview may hold a special place in the hearts of many individuals, as it relates to their morals, beliefs, and how they choose to live their daily lives. As Christians, we have a little different worldview than others; we exist to serve Jesus and others, proclaiming His glory rather than our own. Regrettably, today's common mindset is one of selfishness and self-gratification. As a result, a worldview is found in the self, which is the primary working chamber of every human being. All of one's ideas and behaviors emanate from this heart.

James Sire does us a considerable service in his book *The Universe Next Door* by documenting different worldviews and equipping us with questions to go to the heart of any worldview. We can learn not only where somebody else stands but also where we stand by asking these questions (Sire, 2020). As a result, I'll begin by responding to these questions to the best of my ability. In the question of what is prime reality, it all begins with God; He is the ultimate reality. In the second question, as the primary truth and origin of the cosmos is a beautiful story of God's tremendous divinity. According to Genesis 1:2, there was nothing before God's creation; everything was dark and void. He created the universe and everything in it, and when it came to making man, He made him in His likeness. The creation story is more orderly and depicts all that we see around us, from human beings to sea animals in the ocean (Sire, 2020).

In the third question, since God gave humans sovereignty over all other living creatures in Genesis 1:26, being human implies more than being any other living creature God has made. Also, in verse 27, God created us in His image and declared it to be excellent (Barker et al., 2020). Regardless of their spiritual beliefs, everyone questions about humanity's purpose, but as

Christians, we do not have to wonder because God's purpose for humanity is revealed in the Bible (Sire, 2020). When it comes to the topic of what occurs after death, I believe in life after death in God's presence as a Christian. We read about the wages of sin being death in Romans 6:23, a sobering reminder of the cost of our sinful trespasses, but we also learn about the free gift of salvation in Jesus Christ alone in the same verse (Barker et al., 2020). Death is a harsh fact. We, as humans, have immortal souls, and it is only by our decisions that we can decide where we will spend eternity.

The question of meaning and morality and knowing what is right and wrong can be aided by an understanding of God's purpose for us as Christians. If our goal on this planet is to glorify God, then anything that does so is correct, and anything that does not is not (Sire, 2020). I think that the purpose of human history is to actualize God's purposes in our lives, to create a heaven on earth in accordance with his word, and to prepare society for a life in community with God. Lastly, as a Christian, my primary commitments are to do God's will, seek first the kingdom of God, worship God, and be devoted to understanding and loving God (Sire, 2020).

As a Christian, I have a viewpoint based on the Bible, which I refer to as a "biblical" worldview. My worldview encompasses a number of factors. Other worldviews hold that good deeds are commendable and aid in one's admission to heaven. As a Christian, I understand that Jesus Christ is the only path to paradise, and that "all elements of life are supposed to be in service to God and His glory." In my worldview sees Jesus Christ is the only way to be saved from sin, and then good acts follow as an outpouring of our love for God (Barker et al., 2020).

In my worldview, I have deep convictions about how Christians should act as leaders in various areas, including how we treat others and our temporary home on earth. God has always advocated selflessness; however, Christians may not always be at the forefront of compassion

and philanthropy. Jesus is the finest example of selflessness we have (Barker et al., 2020). He washes his disciples' feet, which was a derogatory and lowly act at the time that his disciples assumed the Son of God should not be doing; however, as their savior, he demonstrated that his heart stretches out to love and care for all just as we must for each other, even those with whom we disagree or care (Barker et al., 2020). Even though the world is a temporary home, God instructs us that we should nevertheless take care of it.

From my worldview, I can believe and affirm that God is indeed good and loving to all humanity regardless of the state we are in. If God did not love the unlovable, we would not be able to love the unlovable out of obedience to Him through His Holy Spirit. Consider a world where there is no love or grace. That is made possible by God's love and compassion. Instead of focusing on how you believe God is not good or loving, consider some of the incredible ways He is. However, despite all these convictions and beliefs, there are still questions that I may have a hard time answering in my own opinion; nevertheless, the presence of the Bible and fellows who share the same biblical worldview as mine make comprehending tough topics relatively easier.

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