

Sola Scriptura – Post-modernism vs a Biblical Worldview

■ Bullet Points and Notes

Sola Scriptura – Latin term that simply means “scripture alone”. Scripture alone is the basis on which a Christ follower must construct his/her entire worldview; it is **absolute objective truth**.

Post-Modernism: the belief that individuals dictate the constructs of their own worldview, and that there is **no** absolute transcendent truth that can be known.

These are two very different apposing worldviews, and it is imperative that Christ followers understand and recognize the differences.

As we go through this message today on post-modernism vs a Biblical worldview, if notice that something I say offends you, hits a nerve, puts the hairs up on your neck, or dare I say “triggers” you...ask yourself, “did I construct my very own worldview, or do I have a Biblical worldview?”

2 Corinthians 10:4-5 (HCSB)

since the weapons of our warfare are not worldly, but are powerful through God for the demolition of strongholds. We demolish arguments and every high-minded thing

that is raised up against the knowledge of God, taking every thought captive to obey Christ.

Take every thought, every idea, every stance, every conclusion captive and make it obedient to Christ, who is the word of God according to *John 1:14*. That means if you have any view contrary to the Word of God **CHANGE IT!**

Repent (the word “repent” literally means ‘to change your mind’)

Christian Apologist Cornelius Van Til once said...

“Without the interpretation of the universe by man to the glory of God the whole world would be meaningless.

What Van Til is saying here is that **all** our knowledge, **all** of our wisdom, **all** of our collective understanding and even the very meaning of our existence must be derived from God through the revelation of His Scripture.

Contrary to Van Til, the post-modernist says that he does not believe in a God of absolutes -- the God of the Bible. His knowledge, wisdom, understanding and even the very meaning of his life is subjectively based on whatever he believes or feels.

The Bible addresses this in Romans 12:2:

Romans 12:2 (HCSB)

2 Do not be conformed to this age, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind, so that you may discern what is the good, pleasing, and perfect will of God.

Colossians 2:8 (HCSB)

Be careful that no one takes you captive through philosophy and empty deceit based on human tradition, based on the elemental forces of the world, and not based on Christ.

The philosophy and empty deceit here is post modernism and **there is no neutral ground**. How many of you -- if you had little children – remember telling them this line when they asked “why?” **“Because I said so”**.

The reason there is no middle ground when it comes to a Biblical worldview is that because God said so to us His children.

In Matthew 12:30 Jesus says:

Matthew 12:30 (NLT)

30 Anyone who isn't with me opposes me, and anyone who isn't working with me is actually working against me.

God. Said. So.

There are many ideas, theories, and mindsets, in today's culture that have been birthed out of post-modernism: remember the definition, *individuals dictate their own constructs and there is no absolute truth, all truth is subjective*. Although oddly enough most of these constructs claim absolutes which make their arguments circular and self-defeating...but let's continue and start with Critical Race Theory.

CRT and what it is

Critical Race Theory – Routed in cultural marxism, it divides people into two groups: the oppressed and the oppressor. CRT claims that societal evils such as poverty, crime, and oppression result not from universal human frailties but from Euro-Americans intent on securing and increasing their economic and social power. It sees members of the “oppressed” group as *always* morally right and the “oppressor” group as *always* morally wrong. CRT aims to correct these injustices by elevating the “oppressed” while pulling down the “oppressor”.

Put simply, CRT assesses good and evil based on race, class, and power.

God also puts people into two groups, but His groups are *saved* and *unsaved*...

Matthew 13:37-38 (NLT)

37 Jesus replied, “The Son of Man is the farmer who plants the good seed. 38 The field is the world, and the good seed represents the people of the Kingdom. The weeds are the people who belong to the evil one.

You notice two groups, saved and unsaved.

Romans 2:11 (HCSB)

11 There is no favoritism with God.

Unlike CRT, God does not favor one group over another he treats all people equally.

Romans 3:23 (HCSB)

23 For all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God.

The Bible, in stark contrast to CRT, it does not blame a group of people for societal evils. It *clearly* states sin is to blame and all people are individually responsible.

The Christ follower's answer to CRT...

There is one creator, God, one race, human, one blood, red, one problem, sin and one solution Jesus Christ...

LGBTQAI2s+ – Commonly known as “the alphabet people”. They continuously are adding letters and (now #’s). The acronym stands for lesbian, gay, bi-sexual, transgender, questioning, allies, intersex, two- spirited and any other “marginalized” group that wants to join in. The latest “group” who is trying to join is **MAP**...which stands for “*minor attracted people*” ...which is now the push forward to ‘normalize’ pedophilia.

God's Word says...

Romans 1:26-27 (HCSB)

26 This is why God delivered them over to degrading passions. For even their females exchanged natural sexual relations for unnatural ones.

27 The males in the same way also left natural relations with females and were inflamed in their lust for one another. Males committed shameless acts with males and received in their own persons the appropriate penalty of their error.

The Bible is **VERY** clear – ANY sexual relations outside the confines of heterosexual marriage is **sin**.

Period.

Mark 10:6 (HCSB)

But from the beginning of creation God made them male and female.

Let's review: there are only **two** genders, male and female. Two. I'm not a biologist...but I'm pretty sure biology backs me up.

Pro Choice – claims a person is not a human being until he or she is self-sustaining. The movement believes all abortions should be legal and allowed up to and after the birth of child. That's right... the pro-choice movement now wants to **murder**

babies even after birth. I know we had a big win in the recent SCOTUS ruling, but the war is far from over. All that decision did is push it back to the states to decide.

Psalms 139:13 (HCSB)

13 For it was You who created my inward parts;
You knit me together in my mother's womb.

God is the creator of life; we are made in His image *from conception*.

Galatians 1:15 (NLT)

15 But even before I was born, God chose me and called me by his marvelous grace.

God knew us before we were born.

Exodus 20:13 (HCSB)

13 Do not *murder*.

'Murder' in scripture is defined as the 'unjustified killing of an innocent image bearer of God with malice or foresight'.

That, folks, is abortion.

If you are a Christ follower and your worldview does not line up with *Sola Scriptura* --the Word of God -- you must do two things.

1. You must ask forgiveness.

You must get on your knees with humility and sorrow and ask God to forgive you for not allowing His Spirit and His Word to transform your mind.

2. You must repent.

You must change your mind and worldview so that it aligns with that of God.