

EROsion of Biblical Truth...

If you believe a lie, you LIVE a lie, and suffer the consequences of the LIE.

1. believe...
2. live
3. suffer from

58% of all americans reject the idea of absolute truth.

Is it universal? Cultural? National? Generational?

Some cultures have a portion of truth in there traditions.

Some nations are more pure or free from corruption

Some generations are more noble than others.

We are 1 generation away from secular humanism and paganism.

Heb 4:12-14

Truth is NOT subjective - to feelings or experiences

It is not your truth...my truth...

Has truth already been defined? Predetermined? Forever settled?

Is it progressively being defined? Evolving? Becoming?

Jesus gets to narrate thr truth. Why?

A politician? . . . An actor? . . . a philosopher? scientist? . . humanitarian?

1. born of a virgin
2. lived a perfect sinless life
3. performed 37 documented, verified miracles. From multiple sources
4. fulfilled 574 prophecies in his birth, life, death and resurrection
5. voluntarily died in place of / for the very ones who killed him
6. sacrificed his rightful place as a king and ruler
7. demonstrated power over demons, sickness, and the death of his physical body.

From what perspective do I see the world we live in?

Biblical worldview or secular?

1. origin
2. meaning
3. morality
4. destiny

IN 2020

70% of americans say they are Christian

40% say they are born again

6% of americans say they have a biblical worldview

Only 2% of young people ages 18-29 say they have a biblical worldview

Famous Humanists include:

Ralph Waldo Emerson

Ernest Hemingway

Bill Nye

William Shakespear

Charles Darwin

Carl Sagan

Richard Dawkins

Thomas Edison

John Lennon

Walt Disney

Oliver Stone

Steve Allen – In 1954, he achieved national fame as the co-creator and first host of [The Tonight Show](#), which was the first late-night television talk show.

"Religious believers of the world, you are free to continue to debate the simple, narrow question that divides you from atheists, but you have no right, in so doing, to treat the Humanists of the world with contempt. You owe them a deep debt of gratitude, for not only have they shed much light on a naturally dark world but they have very probably helped civilize your own specific religion."

And now a word from Oprah, the pope (and president?) of America's 'nones'

In this book, religion reporter Marcia Nelson explores the spiritual dimensions that are prevalent in all aspects of the Oprah Winfrey media empire. Though Oprah is rarely explicitly religious on her television show or in her magazine, Nelson points out that there are several major Christian themes that weave through these aspects of her life and work: confession, redemption, healing, mission, forgiveness, and salvation. Nelson concludes that Oprah is a "compelling spiritual teacher in a spiritually eclectic and ever-practical America." This book will appeal both to Oprah fans and people who are fascinated by the intersection of religion and popular culture.

Oprah's network will OWN that feel-good spirit

- Oprah's Angel Network has built over 55 schools in 12 countries, providing education for thousands of children in rural areas throughout the world.
- In 2005, Oprah's Angel Network provided more than \$1 million worth of school supplies, including school uniforms and shoes, to 18,000 impoverished South African children.

Sin and salvation?

1. do I have to admit that my selfish life is full of sin?
2. Does my sin have eternal consequences?

Christian citizenship –

Marriage and family –

Myth #1 – marriage is for my happiness (that's a benefit not the purpose)

Myth #2 – marriage is how I define it or how culture tells me to define it.