

The background features a large, abstract circular pattern on the left side, composed of many concentric, slightly irregular blue and teal rings that create a tunnel-like effect. At the center of this pattern is a bright, multi-colored glow with hints of orange, red, and yellow. The right side of the image is a soft, out-of-focus background with warm, ethereal colors like orange, pink, and light blue, suggesting a sunset or a nebula.

# Worldview Thinking

Revisiting the Fundamental Orientations of Our Minds and Hearts



# *Welcome!*

We have now come to the end of our 16-part series on *Worldview Thinking*. I hope that your journey with me has been transformative as you have looked inwardly into your own hearts as well as outwardly, in love, toward those who embrace vastly different worldviews. We have considered the grand and noble ideas that impact the ways we think, relate, and act in the world in which we live. Now, today, we turn our eyes toward the watching world and consider how our thinking about worldviews can impact the way we seek to share the gospel with those who do not know Jesus.

“But in your hearts regard Christ the Lord as holy, always being prepared to make a defense to anyone who asks you for a reason for the hope that is in you; yet do it with gentleness and respect, having a good conscience, so that, when you are slandered, those who revile your good behavior in Christ may be put to shame.”

- I Pt. 3:15-16



# Worldview Assumptions About Evangelism

- We must remember that every person we speak with has a worldview, a set of presuppositions – whether they are aware of it or not.
- It is impossible for an unbeliever to be consistent to the logic of his presuppositions. Everyone must live in reality. “Non-Christian presuppositions simply do not fit into what God has made, including what man is” (Schaeffer).
- “A truth, any truth, will introduce awkwardness, if not contradiction, into an unbelieving system. That will happen no matter what the apologist’s views and intentions concerning the point of contact may be.” (Frame).



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- “The person to whom we are talking, however far from the Christian faith he may be, is an image-bearer of God.” Therefore, he has great value.
- We must exercise love and “sit in the other person’s place and see how his problems look to him.”
- “To understand and speak to sincere but utterly confused people is costly. It is tiring...Genuine love, in the last analysis, means a willingness to be entirely exposed to the person to whom we are talking.”