WHY DOES IT MATTER WHAT I BELIEVE? Series: Reframing Your Worldview Part 1 2 Corinthians 5:17 Bro. Mark Winn, FBC Coahoma 7/28/13 am

1. WHAT'S A WORLDVIEW? THE BELIEFS I BUILD MY LIFE ON

The common worldviews----

• "THE ONE WITH MOST TOYS WINS"

Jesus: "A man's life does not consist in the abundance of his possessions." Luke 12:15 (NIV)

• "I'VE GOT TO THINK OF ME FIRST"

Jesus: "If you try to keep your life for yourself, you will lose it. But if you give up your life for me, you will find true life." Matt. 16:25 (NLT)

• "WHATEVER WORKS FOR YOU" ______ "There is a way that <u>seems right</u> to a man, but in the end it leads to death." Pr. 14:12 (NIV)

• "GOD DOESN'T EXIST OR MATTER"

"From the beginning of creation, God has shown what He is like <u>by all He has made</u>. That's why those people don't have any excuse. They know about God, but they don't honor Him or even thank Him... They claim to be wise, but they are fools." Rom. 1:20-22 (CEV)

• "YOU ARE YOU OWN GOD"

"They exchanged the truth of God for a lie, and <u>worshipped created things</u> rather than the <i>Creator." Rom. 1:25 (NIV)

• "GOD MADE ME FOR HIS PURPOSES"

"For everything, absolutely everything, above and below, visible and invisible... everything got started in Him and <u>finds its purpose in Him</u>." Col. 1:16 (Mes)

There are two common myths about what you believe.

1).The_____myth

2) The _____ myth

2. WHY DOES IT MATTER WHAT I BELIEVE?

1. Because it _____ your life

"Be careful how you think; your life is shaped by your thoughts." Pr. 4:23 (TEV)

2. Because it's causing all kinds of _____ your life

"If people can't see what God is doing, they stumble all over themselves; but <u>when they</u> <u>attend to what He reveals</u>, they are most <u>blessed</u>." Pr. 29:18 (Mes)

3. **Because you need to be able to** ______ **it to other people** *"Always be ready to give a <u>logical defense to</u> anyone who asks you to account for the hope that is in you, but do it courteously and respectfully." 1 Peter 3:15 (Amp)*

3. HOW CAN I STRENGTHEN MY WORLDVIEW?

_____WHAT IS TRUE.

"<u>Learn the truth</u> and never reject it. Get wisdom, self-control, and understanding." Pr. 23:23 (NCV)

_____WHAT IS FALSE.

"Don't believe everything you hear. Carefully weigh and examine what people tell you. Not everyone who talks about God comes from God. There are a lot of lying teachers loose in the world." 1 John 4:1 (Mes)

__FROM THE WORLD TO THE WORD.

"Do not conform any longer to <u>the pattern of this world</u>, but <u>be transformed by the renewing</u> <u>of your mind</u>. <u>Then</u> you will be able to test and approve what God's will is - His good, pleasing and perfect will." Rom. 12:2 (NIV)

"A wise person is hungry for truth, while the fool feeds on trash." Pr. 15:14 (NLT)

___YOURSELF WITH GOD'S AGENDA.

"God will give you all you need from day to day if you make the <u>Kingdom of God</u> your <u>primary concern</u>." Luke 12:31 (NLT)