

Humanism – Good without God

2 Timothy 3:2 For men shall be **lovers of their own selves**, covetous, boasters, proud, blasphemers, disobedient to parents, unthankful, unholy,



Humanism is a progressive philosophy of life that, without theism or other supernatural beliefs, affirms our ability and responsibility to lead ethical lives of personal fulfillment that aspire to the greater good. It supports the maximization of individual liberty and opportunity consonant with social and planetary responsibility. Humanism thus derives the goals of life from human need and interest rather than from theological or ideological abstractions, and asserts that humanity must take responsibility for its own destiny.

A 2021 survey conducted by the Cultural Research Center at Arizona Christian University.

According to this new survey, a shocking 43% of American Millennials (identified as those born between 1984–2002) “don’t know, care, or believe God exists.” Less than half (48%) hold to the “Golden Rule” of “treat others as you want them to treat you,” while nearly 4 in 10 (38%) give the green light to revenge, saying “you try to get even with people who have wronged you.”

The Religious Structure of Humanism

- A. **Their God: Human Beings.** (Hu is a name for God in Sufism. HU-man literally means God-man.)

Ge 3:1 Now the serpent was more subtil than any beast of the field which the LORD God had made. And he said unto the woman, **Yea, hath God said**, Ye shall not eat of every tree of the garden? **Ge 3:5** For God doth know that in the day ye eat thereof, then your eyes shall be opened, and **ye shall be as gods, knowing** good and evil. Two of Satan’s greatest attacks against man are to cast doubt on God’s word and to allure through knowledge, thus elevating man as his own final authority.

It is common to hear phrases like this today: Celebrate life, Do life, Realize your potential, Self Esteem, Accept yourself, Have faith in yourself, Learn to live with yourself, etc. Taking the focus off God (**Jas.4:13-16**). Besides this, we indoctrinate our children with the “need to get an education”.

"The pagan in Africa gets a piece of wood and builds him a god; the intellectual in the university gets his mind and builds himself a god." Jack Hyles. Paul did not magnify his education, **1Cor.2:1-6, Phil.3:8**

God’s View of Man

Gen.6:5 The thoughts of man are evil continually, **Isa.64:6** they are all as an unclean thing, **Ro.3:12** they are together become unprofitable, **Ro.7:5** sin is in their members, **Ro.3:11** There is none that seeketh after God, **Pro.21:2** every way of man is right in his own eyes, **Ro.3:23** for all have sinned, **Ro.5:8** **But God commendeth his love toward us, in that, while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us.**

Believers View of Themselves

Jacob - I am not worthy of the least of all the mercies **Gen.32:10**, **Job** – I abhor myself **Job 42:6**, **David** – what is man **Ps.8:4**, man at his best state is vanity **Ps.39:5**, every man walketh in a vain shew **Ps.39:6**, Behold, I was shapen in iniquity **Ps.51:5**, **Solomon** – man hath no preeminence above a beast **Ec.3:19**, **Isaiah** – I am undone, I am a man of unclean lips **Isa.6:5**, **Jeremiah** – the heart is deceitful and wicked **Jer.17:9**, **John** – I must decrease **Jn.3:30**, **Paul** – O wretched man that I am **Ro.7:24**, though I be nothing **2Cor.12:11**

Understanding this brings true happiness and freedom

John 8:32 And ye shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free.

John 8:36 If the Son therefore shall make you free, ye shall be free indeed.

Romans 8:21 Because the creature itself also shall be delivered from the bondage of corruption into the glorious liberty of the children of God.

We have liberty in Christ IE. “One nation under God...” Only use not liberty for an occasion to the flesh (Gal. 5:13). Why? Because in my flesh dwelleth no good thing (Rom. 7:18).

2 Peter 2:19 While they promise them liberty, they themselves are the servants of corruption: for of whom a man is overcome, of the same is he brought in bondage.

- B. Their Bible:** The Humanist Manifesto, the Universal Declaration of Human Rights, and Science
- Manifesto II:** “We believe...that traditional dogmatic or authoritarian religions that place revelation, God, ritual, or creed above human needs and experience do a disservice to the human species... We find insufficient evidence of a supernatural; it is either meaningless or irrelevant to the question of the survival and fulfillment of the human... While there is much we do not know, humans are responsible for what we are and what we become. “No deity will save us; we must save ourselves.”
- Declaration of Human Rights:** **1.** We Are All Born Free & Equal **2.** Don’t Discriminate **3.** The Right to Life **4.** No Slavery **6.** You Have Rights No Matter Where You Go. **13.** Freedom to Move **15.** Right to a Nationality **22.** Social Security **23.** Workers’ Rights
- What they say about bible believers:** If the Humanist view of the Bible is correct, millions of Bible-believers and churchgoers are wasting much time, money, and energy. Humanity’s condition could be greatly improved if those resources were used for solving the world's problems instead of worshiping a nonexistent God. Moreover, because so many people have been told the Bible is the "Good Book," biblical teachings shape the attitudes of millions on numerous subjects. When the subjects involve governmental issues, all of society can be affected when Bible-believers express their views in the political arena.
- Science:** Humanists argue against the revival of creationism through “intelligent design” theories, as well as other inappropriate religious teachings in public schools and policymaking. Also pro-gay and pro-abortion.
- C. Their Preachers:** *Public educators, government workers, TV personalities, and many religious leaders.*
- B.F. Westcott** (published Greek N.T. in 1881): The universal fatherhood of God...a brotherhood of men, but also a brotherhood of nations...is the destiny of mankind.
- Martin Luther King Jr.:** This is the faith that I will go back to the South with. With this faith we will be able to hew out of the mountain of despair a stone of hope. With this faith we will be able to transform the jangling discords of our nation into a beautiful symphony of brotherhood.
- Oprah:** “Each morning I center myself to touch the God of light I believe is in all of us.
- Gloria Steinem** (*Ms. Magazine*) “When we speak of equality, of women and men, of Blacks and Whites, of all the world's people, we are talking about humanism”
- Victoria Osteen:** “...when we obey God, we’re not doing it for God—I mean, that’s one way to look at it—we’re doing it for ourselves, because God takes pleasure when we’re happy,”
- Creflo Dollar:** “You are gods because you came from God”
- Kenneth Copeland:** “When I read in the bible where God says, I AM, I just smile and say, Yes I am too”
- Todd White:** “You have the DNA of Abba”
- Benny Hinn:** “I am a god man”
- Francis Chan:** “...There is a sense in which I am God and man all at once”
- Paula White:** “You know what the bible calls you? You are little Elohim, you are a little god”
- D. Their Kingdom: This Earth**
- UNESCO (The United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization) is a specialized agency of the United Nations based in Paris. UNESCO has 195 member states including the U.S. UNESCO's aim is "to contribute to the building of peace, the eradication of poverty, sustainable development and intercultural dialogue through education, the sciences, culture, communication and information". Slogan, “Protecting culture today is essential for building peace tomorrow.”
- The Pope travelled to New York to deliver an address that kicked off “The 2030 Agenda” of the United Nations. The 2030 Agenda is a template for governing the entire planet. In addition to addressing climate change, it also sets ambitious goals for areas such as economics, health, energy, education, agriculture, gender equality and a whole host of other issues. It is billed as a “**new universal agenda**” for humanity.