

Christian Filmmaker's Academy Worldview Test

Strongly Agree 1
Tend to Agree 2
No opinion 4
Tend to Disagree 6
Strongly Disagree 10

Instructions:

Put a numeric value, from 1 to 10, for each answer. Add and subtotal the values for each page.
Complete the test and total the numeric values on page 7.

Culture in General

- _____ 1. The world is getting worse because it's supposed to be getting worse, according to the Bible.
- _____ 2. Old-fashioned child training methods are as outdated as the old church hymns of the 19th century.
- _____ 3. Individuals should be allowed to conduct life as they choose as long as it does not interfere with the lives of others.
- _____ 4. For many 21st century reasons, small families are best, and kids should be on their own as soon as possible.
- _____ 5. The safest course for financial and social success is to keep as closely as possible to accepted paths of progress: school, sports, college, college degree, job, career, mortgage, pension...and whatever else is popular for today.
- _____ 6. "Western" Culture is not really superior to any other culture.
- _____ 7. Democrats have been, historically, more compassionate and generous than Republicans
- _____ 8. The government should provide health care to one and all
- _____ 9. Kids are really expensive and responsible parents should not have more than two or three, or possibly four.
- _____ 10. All people have a right to a good job and good retirement.
- _____ 11. Public schooling will make a child smarter and better and prepare him for life in the real world.
- _____ 12. These days, premarital sex between adults is no big deal, and marriage is not necessary for family happiness.
- _____ 13. The church cannot be expected to be relevant to real life because its main function is religious ceremony

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- _____ 14. It's a sign of progress that women hold important offices in the nation and we can be proud of our progress
- _____ 15. The world is probably going to end pretty soon.
- _____ 16. Science will always continue to make life better and better.
- _____ 17. It's only right that the rich should pay more than their fair share of taxes.
- _____ 18. It is good for Christians to know a lot about pop culture, including edgy movies, because it is wise and loving to conform our thinking, speech doctrine and lifestyles to what is most popular in order to attract and win people.
- _____ 19. The government could be doing a better job in education.
- _____ 20. The U.N. can solve the war-peace thing better than any independent nations ever will.

Government

- _____ 21. A "secular" government does not have a religious moral order, a religious divinity, a religious law system, or religious values. It is religiously neutral.
- _____ 22. Religiously neutral governments are best able to govern complex modern nations that contain diverse ethnic, religious and racial groups.
- _____ 23. The Bible provides a foundation of civil law but should NOT be the primary source of instruction for establishing civil government in any modern nation.
- _____ 24. Because nations tend to wage war against each other, a centralized one-world government would provide more peace, freedom, stability and happiness for the world's peoples.
- _____ 25. The United Nations is the world's best hope, politically speaking, for international peace.
- _____ 26. The Government has a duty and responsibility to provide the solutions to all of society's problems.
- _____ 27. Basically, world affairs can be divided into the spiritual and material. God wants the church to take care of spiritual things and the government to take care of material things.
- _____ 28. If a government has to make a law on a moral issue, it should not refer to the Bible for guidance because that would violate the separation of Church and State.
- _____ 29. The Government has both the right and duty to regulate and control all Christian and Church activity.

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- _____ 30. Government should rest as directly as possible on the will of the people.
- _____ 31. "Democracy" is the highest and most civilized form of any Government arrangement, and should be the preference of all Christians.
- _____ 32. Individuals should be allowed to conduct life as they choose as long as it does not interfere with the lives of others.
- _____ 33. The government should operate a fair tax system which redistributes wealth for the benefit of the many.
- _____ 34. Generally, the rich should be taxed at higher rates than the rest of us.
- _____ 35. Society, not the individual, is chiefly responsible for social evils.
- _____ 36. If an unwanted child would bring anguish on a woman or her family, she should have the right to obtain a government-funded abortion.
- _____ 37. Professional psychology is a scientific practice that alleviates numerous spiritual and social ailments.
- _____ 38. Generally, secular leaders will prove to be more effective politicians than Christian leaders.
- _____ 39. Convicted criminals should be incarcerated in jails or penitentiaries until they have paid their debts to society.
- _____ 40. Capital punishment is cruel and uncivilized punishment which should be eliminated from all modern societies.
- _____ 41. The Government must be careful NOT to represent God's religious requirements for society.
- _____ 42. Neither God nor the Bible have jurisdiction over secular government.
- _____ 43. The civil government is a necessary evil.

History

- _____ 44. Since 1900, Socialism and Communism have tended to help more workers than they have hurt.
- _____ 45. Most of modern history's social miseries and warfare miseries were caused by religion, especially Christian dogma.
- _____ 46. In the Old Testament era, God dealt with men harshly through a dispensation of law. In the New Testament era, God deals with men on a completely different basis, through a system of grace and love.

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- _____ 47. Because of widespread selfishness and predominant exploitation, European colonialism greatly harmed third-world peoples.
- _____ 48. The story of Adam and Eve is more Biblical poetry than accurate history.
- _____ 49. Since the Reagan years, Socialism and Communism have been a declining force in world affairs.
- _____ 50. Human beings have evolved physically over time, from more biologically primitive ancestors.
- _____ 51. Human beings have evolved socially over time, and their civilizations will always move toward better managed societies, thanks to scientific management methods and an ever-increasing standard of living.

The Family

- _____ 52. Stay-at-home moms generally cannot achieve as much fulfillment as women with careers.
- _____ 53. Spanking is an outdated way to discipline children. Psychologists have identified far better alternatives.
- _____ 54. Spanking is an abusive form of correction and out of step with Christian teaching.
- _____ 55. The tradition of wives submitting to their husbands is outdated. In healthy marriages of today, husbands and wives are equal in the leadership role.
- _____ 56. Modern science has proven that there is nothing that can be done to prevent teenagers from engaging in premarital sex. "Safe sex" practices are key in preventing disease and pregnancy.
- _____ 57. Modern sociology has proven that marriage is an outdated and unnecessary institution, and that "family" should be redefined to include any group of persons living together.
- _____ 58. Modern wives should be very careful about submitting to husbands in traditional ways. Too much submission is unhealthy for marriage and society.
- _____ 59. In the long run, the feminist movement will be good for society.
- _____ 60. The feminist movement has made it possible for many women to get better jobs. This has helped them to live more fulfilled lives, and contribute more to their families' well-being.

The Law

- _____ 61. Love is the only law Christians are required to obey.
- _____ 62. Because the age of the church is a dispensation of Grace, Christians have no obligation whatever to written Old Testament law.

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- _____ 63. Legislators or parliamentarians should have freedom to write or create any law they believe will benefit their nations.
- _____ 64. A professional class of lawyers is necessary for the smooth functioning of law and justice in a society.
- _____ 65. Judges should be able to interpret the law according to the changing attitudes in any society.

Human Nature

- _____ 66. Human nature, because it constantly adapts and changes, has an unlimited potential for progressive development.
- _____ 67. Theologians who insist that man is totally depraved insult the powers of man's reason and man's potential for goodness.
- _____ 68. People are NOT conceived with a sinful nature which, from birth on, creates desires in them to commit evil deeds.
- _____ 69. Because human nature is constantly changing, values and ethics will also change. Therefore, each generation should be free to adopt moral standards appropriate to its preferences.

Religion

- _____ 70. All religions are essentially the same when it comes to goodness, truth and ethics.
- _____ 71. God loves everyone equally and unconditionally.
- _____ 72. The concepts of right and wrong are harsh ideals of a bygone era.
- _____ 73. Modern churches, especially the very large ones, with all their diverse ministries, powerful media technologies, programs and dynamic leaders, are spiritually advanced and worth emulating.
- _____ 74. The Church's main task should be evangelism.
- _____ 75. The 'kingdom of God' is heaven, or the term might possibly refer to the Church.

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- _____ 76. Christians don't need to be involved in politics. It's better if they're not.
- _____ 77. The Old Testament is no longer that relevant for religious life, or any other kind of life, either.
- _____ 78. Full-time religious life is primarily a clergyman thing.
- _____ 79. Most religions are okay because they have their own moral standards, and it's wrong to say Christianity is superior. Non-Christians cannot be expected to obey biblical morality.
- _____ 80. A healthy caretaker government is necessary for the common good, especially if it's scientific and secular rather than religious.

Economics

- _____ 81. Private ownership of property is an outdated concept and interferes with the prosperity of modern nations.
- _____ 82. The accumulation of wealth by individuals is NOT necessary for a nation to be financially strong.
- _____ 83. Civil government, at both the local and national levels, should have responsibility for the economic well-being of the citizens.
- _____ 84. The world is overpopulated, and steps must be taken to reduce the runaway population explosion.
- _____ 85. Capitalism is a failed system because it has produced injustice and evil which in turn led to poverty among the lower classes.

Education

- _____ 86. In a democratic society, citizens have a fundamental right to a free education, and this right must be protected and enforced by civil governments.
- _____ 87. Schools and curricula must be supervised by the government to ensure fairness, uniformity and equal opportunity to all citizens.
- _____ 88. To be good citizens, responsible parents must bring up children with the understanding that children primarily belong to the state's social order.
- _____ 89. Day-care schools for infants and toddlers, under the supervision of professional educators, will enhance the educational process of children and give them a head start in preparation for formal schooling.
- _____ 90. Free government education for all the public is one of the best traditions of modern society, going back many hundreds of years.

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SUBTOTALS

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WORLDVIEW ASSESSMENT

Survey taken by Barna Research Group of 2033 adults in a November 2003, BASED ON A MUCH EASIER TEST.

- 4% of adults surveyed have a biblical worldview
- 9% of “Born-again Christians” surveyed have a biblical worldview
- 7% of Protestants surveyed have a biblical worldview
- 2% of mainline Protestants surveyed have a biblical worldview
- .04% of Roman Catholics surveyed have a biblical worldview
- 13% of nondenominational Protestants surveyed have a biblical worldview
- 10% of Pentecostals surveyed have a biblical worldview
- 8% of Baptists surveyed have a biblical worldview