

INTRODUCTION to CHRISTIAN WORLDVIEW



Course Overview

This course is a required course for all NFC Academy high school students. Students beginning in ninth grade will have this as a part of their Bible classes and students transferring to NFC Academy after the start of ninth grade will take this course in their first year at NFC Academy. The course employs a storytelling technique to explore issues related to worldview, ethics, mental and emotional health, and leadership. In Units 1 and 2, students will be taught the essentials of a Christian worldview and then challenged to compare and contrast it with the ideas and beliefs they are exposed to in modern culture. In Unit 3, several ethical dilemmas will be presented, and students will learn to make decisions about them based on the character of God. Unit 4 will guide students through the emotional challenges of things such as depression, grief, relationships, sexuality, and discontent. The final unit uses the stories of Biblical leaders to teach principles of Christian leadership, and demonstrates how to use those principles in true-to-life scenarios.

In this course, students will explore:

- Christian and Cultural Worldviews
- Christian Ethics
- Mental and Emotional Health
- Christian Leadership

Course Objectives

Upon successful completion of this course, students will be able to:

- Engage intellectually with culture.
- Compare and contrast differing worldviews.
- Discern the worldviews behind the things they read, watch, and hear.

- Make ethical decisions based on the character of God.
- Care for their mental and emotional health.
- Lead with Integrity.

- **UNIT 1: INTRODUCTION TO WORLDVIEW**

- Course Overview
- What Glasses Are You Wearing?
- Why Do You Believe What You Believe?
- Why Doesn't Everyone See What I See?
- Why is Worldview Important?
- Quiz 1: Introduction to Worldview
- Alternate Quiz 1: Introduction to Worldview
- Are All Worldviews Created Equally?
- What is a Christian Worldview?
- Integrity
- Belief, Faith, and Trust
- Quiz 2: Introduction to Worldview
- Alternate Quiz 2: Introduction to Worldview
- Test: Introduction to Worldview
- Alternate Test: Introduction to Worldview
- Reference

- **UNIT 2: WORLDVIEW CONVERSATIONS**

- Naturalism
- Nihilism
- Deism
- Quiz 1: Worldview Conversations
- Alternate Quiz 1: Worldview Conversations
- Pantheism
- Secular Humanism
- Consumerism
- Self-Love
- Quiz 2: Worldview Conversations
- Alternate Quiz 2: Worldview Conversations
- Project: Comparing Worldviews

- Test: Worldview Conversations
- Alternate Test: Worldview Conversations
- Reference

- **UNIT 3: LIFE BY THE BOOK**
 - Introduction to Biblical Ethics
 - Life
 - Killing
 - Justice
 - Quiz 1: Life by the Book
 - Alternate Quiz 1: Life by the Book
 - Love and Sex
 - Creation Care
 - False Witness
 - Work
 - Quiz 2: Life by the Book
 - Alternate Quiz 2: Life by the Book
 - Test: Life by the Book
 - Alternate Test: Life by the Book
 - Reference

- **UNIT 4: JOYFUL LIVING**
 - The Anxious Heart and Mind: A Path to Peace
 - Stuck in the Shadows: Finding God's Hope in Depression
 - When Life Hurts: Finding Comfort in God's Presence & Promises
 - From Discontentment to Gratitude: Living with a Grateful Heart
 - Quiz 1: Joyful Living
 - Alternate Quiz 1: Joyful Living
 - Messy Relationships: Handling Conflict with Truth and Love
 - Sexual Desire & God's Good Design: Navigating the Physical & Spiritual
 - Facing Challenges: Anchoring Yourself in the Lord and His Word
 - Peace with God
 - Quiz 2: Joyful Living
 - Alternate Quiz 2: Joyful Living
 - Special Project
 - Test: Joyful Living

- Alternate Test: Joyful Living
- Reference

- **UNIT 5: LEADERSHIP**

- King Saul and the Accountability of a Leader
- Nehemiah: Strategic Leadership
- Joshua: Strength and Courage
- Making Disciples Like Paul
- Quiz 1: Leadership
- Alternate Quiz 1: Leadership
- The Consistency of Daniel
- Moses: Learning to Delegate
- Peter: A Transformational Leader
- Servant-Leadership: Leading Like Jesus
- Quiz 2: Leadership
- Alternate Quiz 2: Leadership
- Special Project
- Test: Leadership
- Alternate Test: Leadership
- Reference