



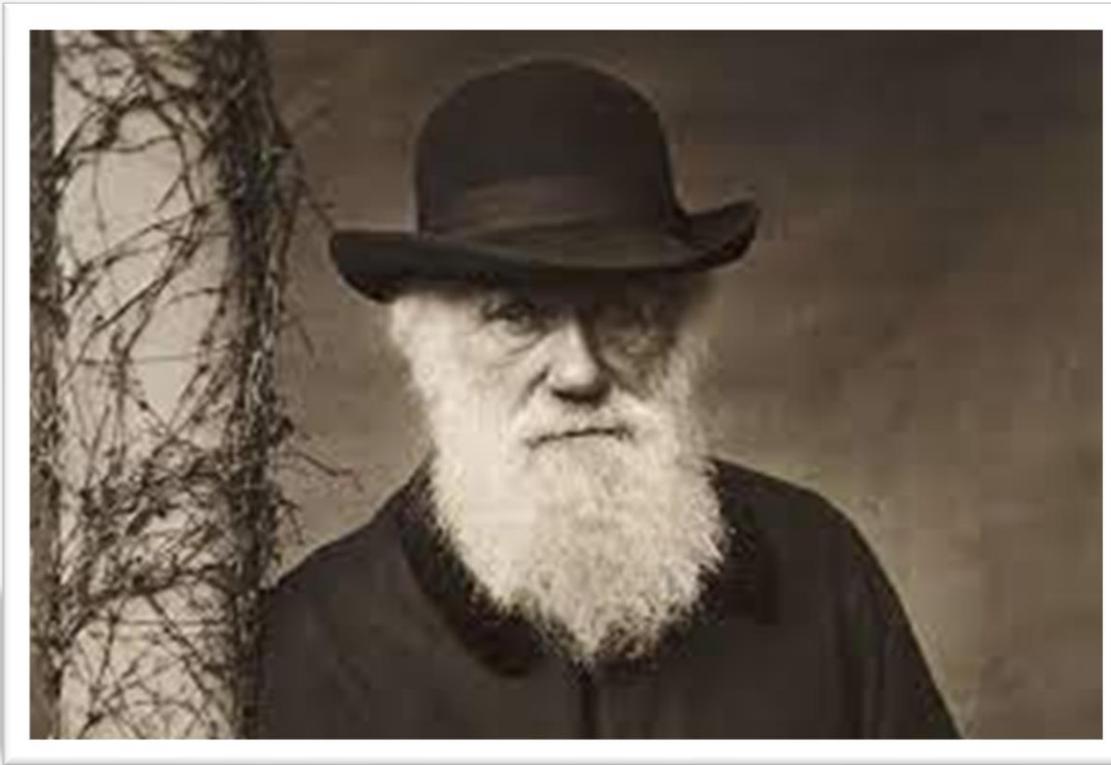
RIGHT THINKING  
FOR A  
CULTURE IN CHAOS

Who drives your thoughts?  
Where do ideas come from?  
What does it mean to live in a Christlike way?  
How do we decide how to spend \$, time, energy?  
What is different about us from the world?  
Where does the world get its concepts?

For Christians, we have our standards: Colossians 2:6-10

Therefore as you received Christ Jesus the Lord, so walk in Him, having been firmly rooted and being built up in Him, and having been established in your faith—just as you were instructed—and abounding with thanksgiving. **See to it that no one takes you captive through philosophy and empty deception, according to the tradition of men, according to the elementary principles of the world, and not according to Christ.** For in Him all the fullness of Deity dwells bodily, and in Him you have been filled, who is the head over all rule and authority.

WHAT ABOUT THE WORLD?????



- Attended Cambridge for theological training to be a country clergyman
- Often referred to as the foundational father of modern biology
- In the course of his study he became convinced the uniformitarian view of geology was correct. Simply put, he came to believe that “the present is the key to the past.”
- He searched for ideas and patterns that would substantiate this belief in the age of life and for possibilities in that would “prove” design over time.

## **Charles Darwin**



-As a young man he was officially baptized as a Protestant, he exhibited “fairly clear and well grounded” knowledge of Christianity in school.

-He wrote about three core beliefs in multiple periodicals and in books that gave rise to movements which sowed ideas that would reap millions of deaths.

**Humans are creators, Humanity's core problem is its socioeconomic structure, Humanity's hope is found in revolution.**

**Karl Marx**

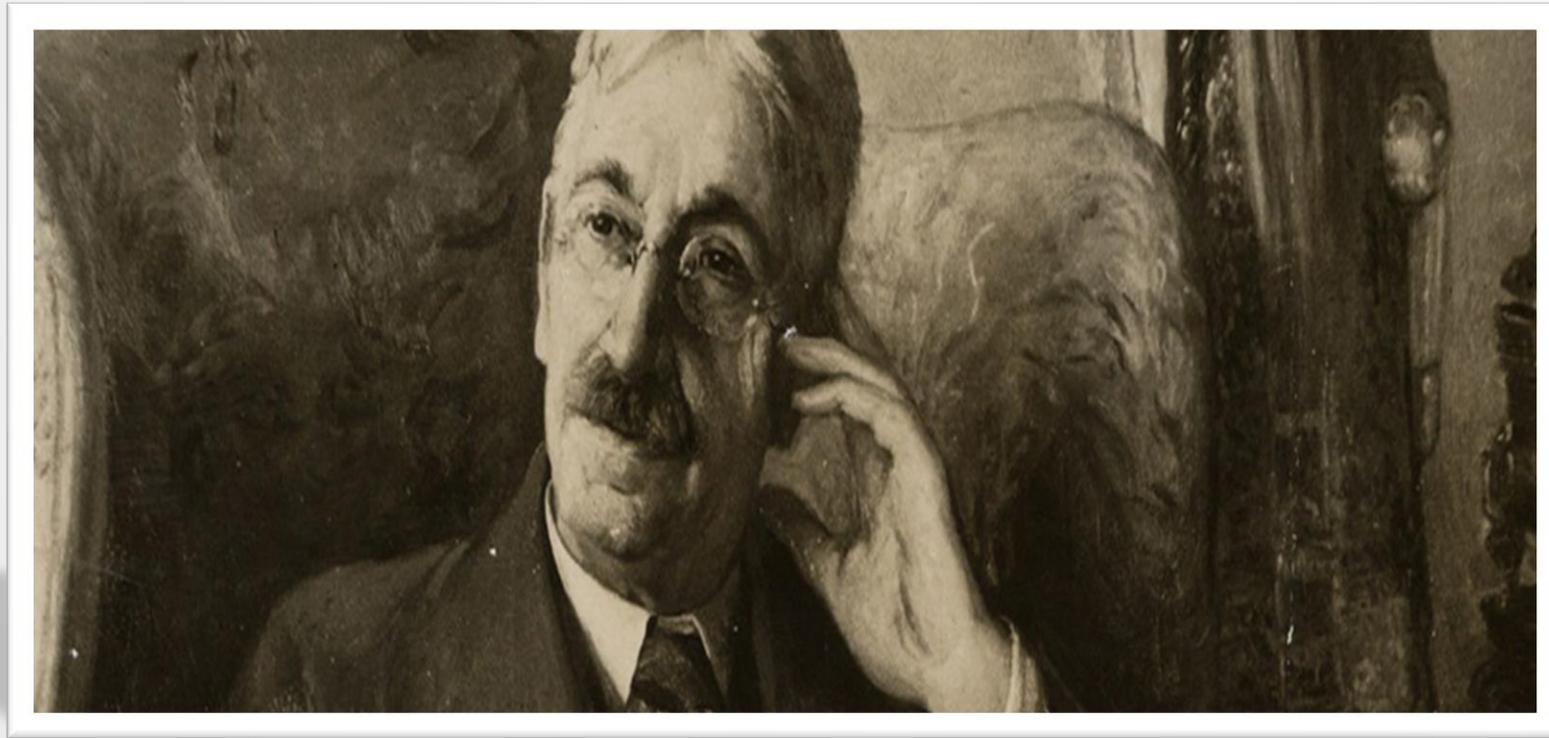


-German rationalist that studied the OT and critiqued it as the word of man, not God, even if it was helpful to study.

-In reality he believed in a different Bible, worshipped a different Christ, held allegiance to a different God, and had a different definition of salvation.

-His ideas became the foundation of ideas like Christian Liberalism, which has been ruinous in so many ways, forming two separate and distinct religions.

**Julius Wellhausen**

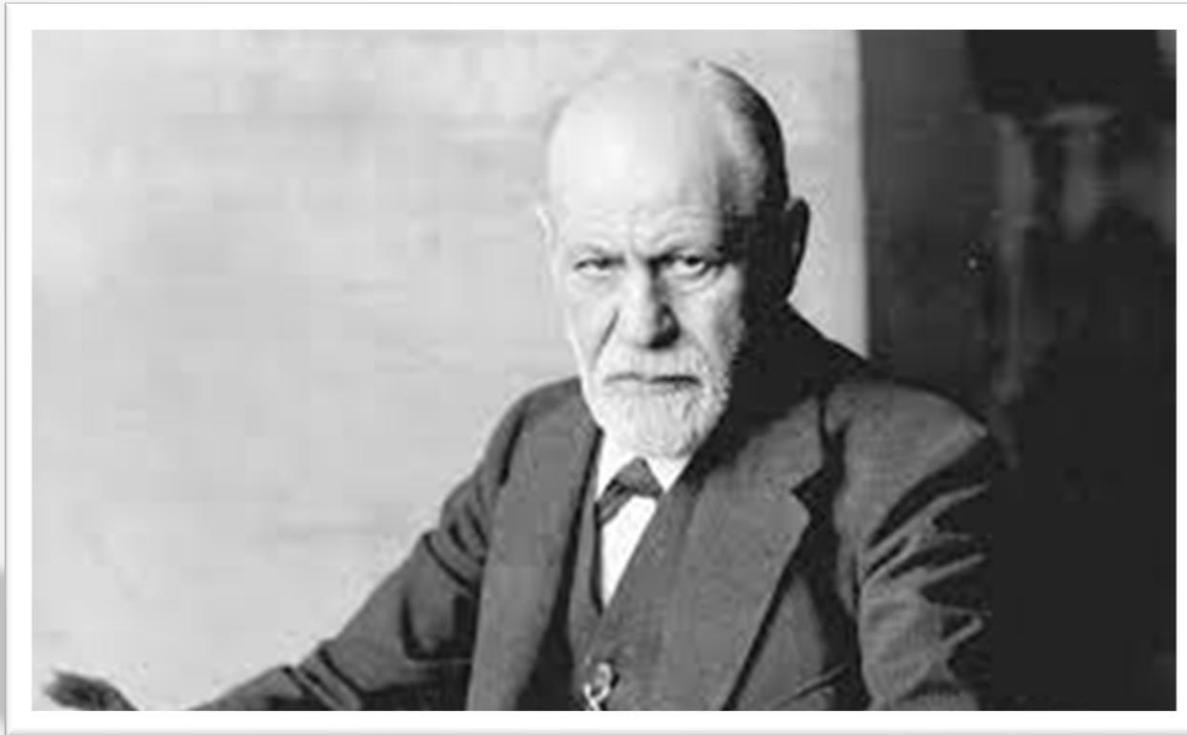


-The Stanford Encyclopedia of Philosophy said that this man was “arguably the most prominent American intellectual for the first half of the twentieth century.”

-Often referred to as the father of public education

-In the course of a long career he practically reinvented the American system of education from the bottom up. In his lifetime, he was largely responsible for turning public schools from largely Protestant Christian academies to secular indoctrination centers.

**John Dewey**

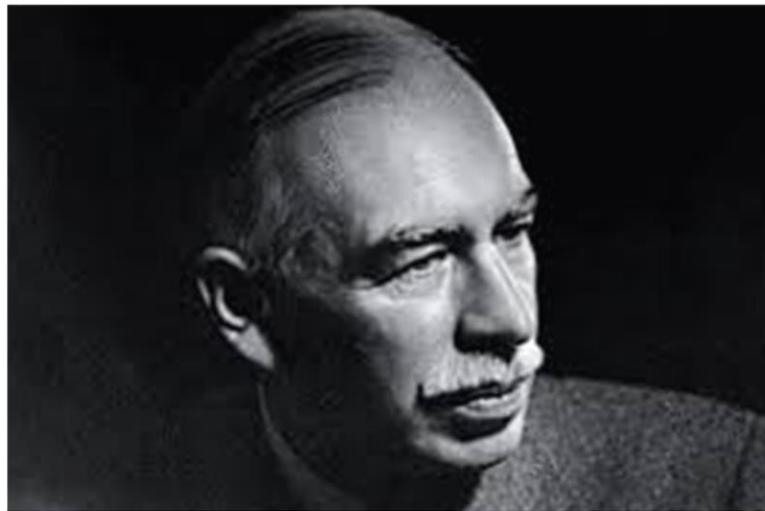


- Called the father of psychoanalysis and the most important forefather of modern psychology.

-He came to the conclusion that there is a whole set of motivations within the psychic nature of man, and these are more important than man's physical body.

-Gave us this new concept of the human personality and made the subject of sex the chief item of public interest, and he also made it the determinism of society.

## **Sigmund Freud**



- He was an economist. He wrote an analysis of the world economy after World War II, and he immediately gained great fame.

-Famous quote: “Look, it is the responsibility of government to have full employment. It is not the responsibility of government to have a balanced budget at the expense of the unemployed. Why should the government so penalize the unemployed? The government prints money. In fact, its duty is to go into debt in order to produce prosperity.”

-Franklin Roosevelt heard about his ideas and started to embrace these ideas and carried forward by government to this day, to the point of now being over \$34 TRILLION dollars in debt...

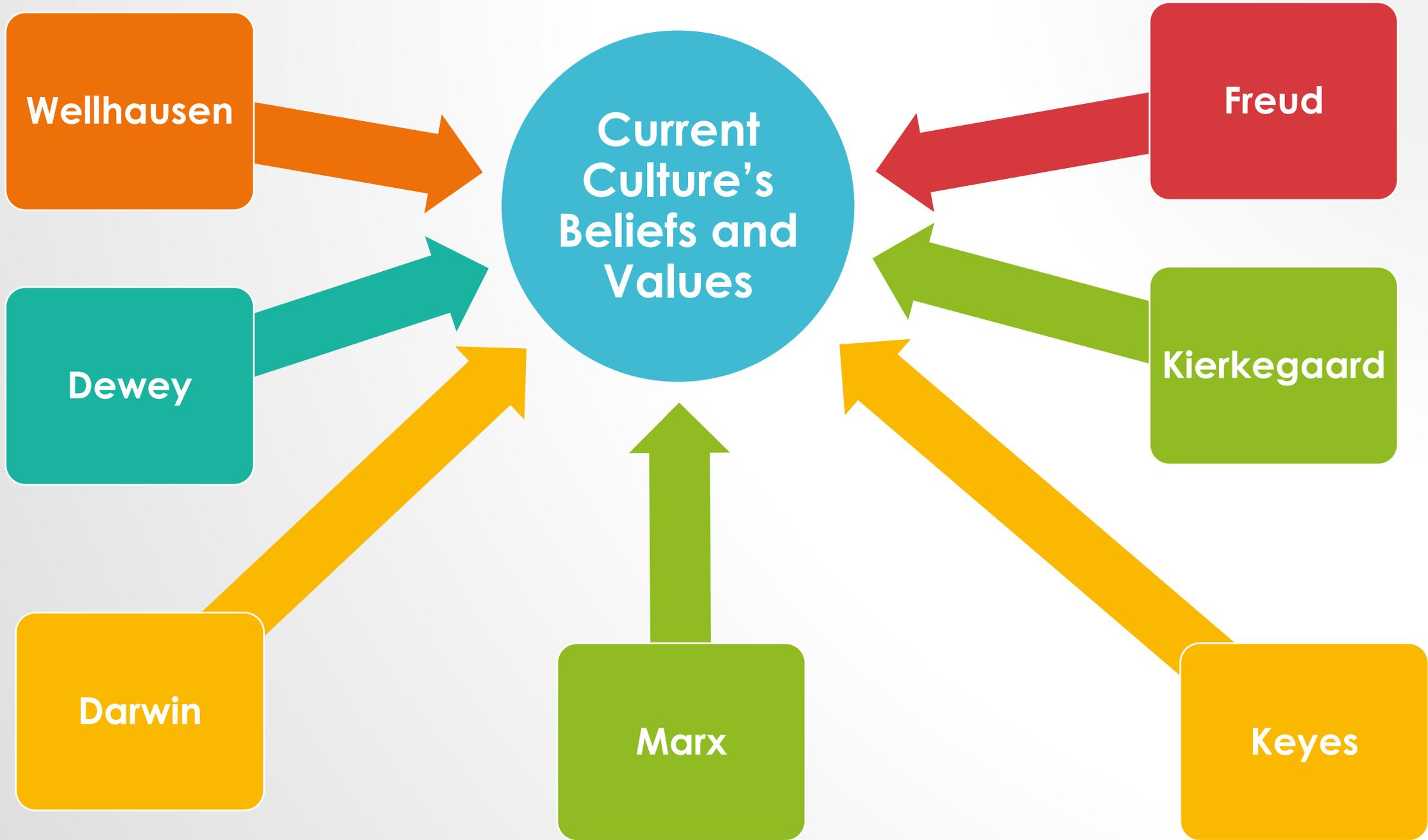
<https://www.usdebtclock.org/>

**John Maynard Keynes**



- A founding father of existentialism.
- A huge proponent and foundational leader for neo-orthodoxy.
- Famous quote: “Reality is not something outside ourselves. Truth is not something objective. Reality is within ourselves. Reality is encounter, reality is involvement, reality is what happens to you, and if it doesn't happen to you, forget it. It's not true.”

**Soren Kierkegaard**



# WORLDVIEW CATEGORIES

**P**olitics



How we govern

**E**conomics



How we prosper

**E**ducation



How we learn

**R**eligion



What we worship

**S**ocial Issues



How we relate

# BIBLICAL WORLDVIEW

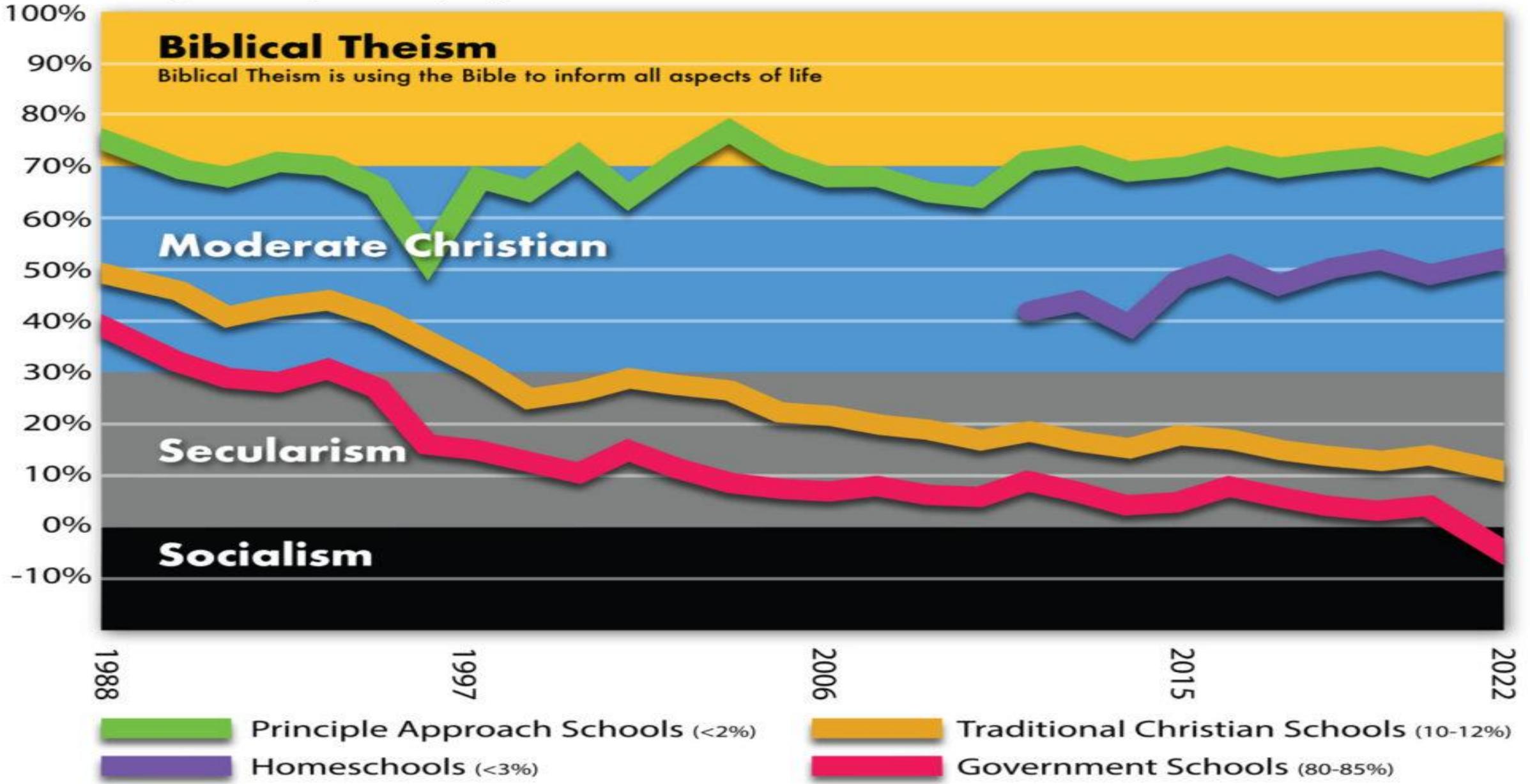


Objective  
knowledge

**P**olitics **E**conomics **E**ducation **R**eligion **S**ocial Issues

# Biblical Worldview PEERS Trend

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# Glorification

God will finally remove all trace of sin from the Christian and give him a resurrection body.



# Perseverance

All those who are justified will be kept by God's power and persevere as Christians to the end of their lives.



# Sanctification

A progressive, lifelong work of God and man that frees us from sin and makes us more like Christ.



# Adoption

An act of God in which he makes us members of his family.

# Justification

An instantaneous legal act of God in which he declares that our sins are forgiven and Christ's righteousness is ours.

# Conversion

We willingly respond to the gospel call, repenting of sin and placing faith in Christ for salvation.



# Regeneration

God secretly and sovereignly imparts spiritual life to those who have been called.



# Calling

God summons people to himself through the human proclamation of the gospel so they respond in saving faith.



# Election

Before creation, because of his sovereign good pleasure, God chooses some people to be saved.

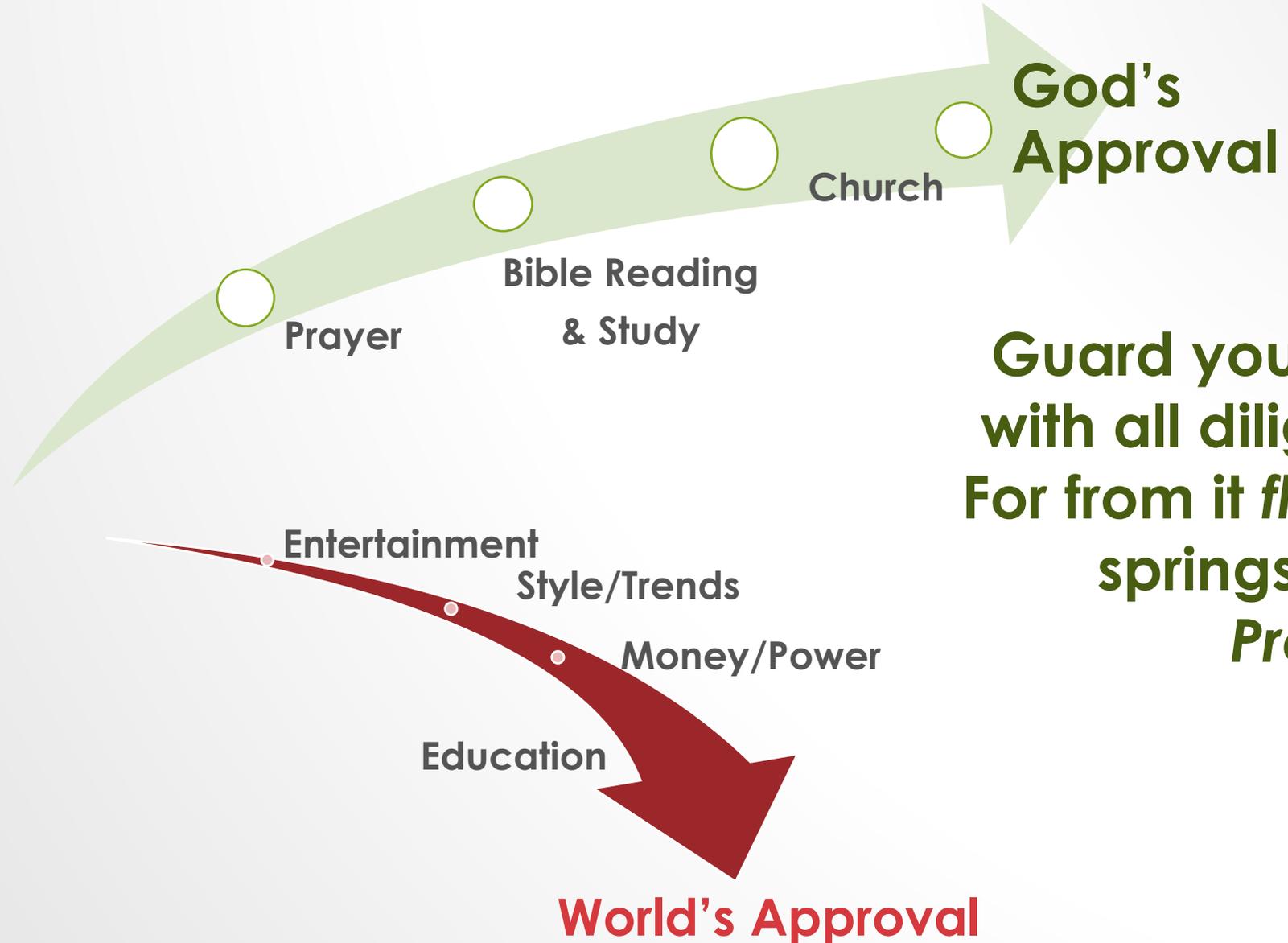
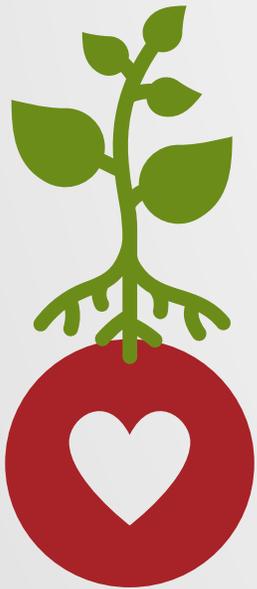
PROGRESSIVE SANCTIFICATION  
VS.  
INCREMENTALISM

# INCREMENTALISM

Incrementalism describes how we unconsciously lower our ethical standards over time through **small changes** in behavior. Incrementalism may occur when the ethical dimensions of an issue **fade from view**.



# WHICH WAY ARE WE GROWING?



**Guard your heart  
with all diligence,  
For from it *flow* the  
springs of life.  
*Prov 4:23***

Biblical  
Ideas

Worldly  
Ideas

God's People

Prayer/Meditation

God's Word

Non-Christian  
Friends

Video Games

Social Media

TV/Movies

