

**A RESPONSIBLE WORLD VIEW
PART 3: MY LIFE HAS MEANING**

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"For as he thinks in his heart, so is he."

Proverbs 23:7 (NKJ)

WORLD VIEW DEFINED
The sum total of _____ about the world.
The _____ that directs my daily _____ and _____.

**CURRENT REALITY: WHY ARE THINGS THE WAY THEY ARE
AND WHAT CAN WE DO TO FIX THEM?**

"Therefore since we are God's offspring, we should not think that the divine being is like gold or silver or stone—an image made by man's design and skill. In the past God overlooked such ignorance, but now he commands all people everywhere to repent."

Acts 17:29-30 (NIV)

- We are _____ and in need of _____.

I. WHO AM I?

**A. CHRISTIANITY: I AM _____ IN THE
_____ OF GOD.**

"Then the LORD God formed the man from the dust of the ground. He breathed the breath of life into the man's nostrils, and the man became a living person." Genesis 2:7 (NLT)

"So God created man in His own image, in the image of God He created him; male and female He created them." Genesis 1:27 (NIV)

**B. MATERIALISM: SINCE THERE IS _____, I AM
_____ IN THE UNIVERSE. I AM SIMPLY THE PRODUCT
OF _____.**

"God is dead ... And we have killed him. How shall we, the murderers of all murderers, comfort ourselves ... Are we not straying as through an infinite nothing? Do we not feel the breath of empty space?"
Friedrich Nietzsche, The Gay Science.

II. WHY AM I HERE?

A. CHRISTIANITY: I WAS _____ TO BE _____
BY GOD AND TO FULFILL HIS _____.

"The Lord appeared to us in the past, saying: "I have loved you with an everlasting love; I have drawn you with loving-kindness."
Jeremiah31:3 (NIV)

"You made all the delicate, inner parts of my body and knit me together in my mother's womb." Thank you for making me so wonderfully complex! Your workmanship is marvelous ..."
Psalms 139:13-14 (NLT)

"... we are God's masterpiece. He has created us anew in Christ Jesus, so we can do the good things He planned for us long ago."
Ephesians 2:10 (NLT)

"A spiritual gift is given to each of us so we can help each other ... It is the one and only Spirit who distributes all these gifts. He alone decides which gift each person should have."
I Corinthians 12:7, 11 (NLT)

B. MATERIALISM: MY LIFE IS _____ AND
_____ EXCEPT FOR WHATEVER PURPOSE
I _____.

"That my life has no aim is evident even from the accidental nature of its origin; that I can posit an aim for myself is another matter."
Friedrich Nietzsche, Notes.

III. DOES MY LIFE HAVE VALUE?

A. CHRISTIANITY: MY LIFE IS _____ TO _____.

"Do you not know that your body is a temple of the Holy Spirit, who is in you, whom you have received from God? You are not your own, you were bought at a price. Therefore honor God with your body."
I Corinthians 6:19-20 (NIV)

B. MATERIALISM: MY LIFE IS VALUABLE ONLY TO THE DEGREE THAT
_____ OR _____ VALUE IT.

"... there is [only] one truly serious philosophical problem, and that is suicide. Judging whether life is or is not worth living amounts to answering the fundamental question of philosophy."
Albert Camus, The Myth of Sisyphus.