

What is a “Deistic worldview”?

The world is full of people with different ways to understand the world around them. In general, each truly believes that their understanding is the only rational way to understand the world and all others fall short of rationality. With everyone there is variation. It is rare to find a person who will consistently hold to his worldview in all circumstances.

1. What is meant by a worldview?

John **18:38**

Proverbs 14:12a; **21:2a**

In one sense, a worldview is a person's own answer to the question “What is truth?”. It is the foundational or fundamental understandings of who he is as an individual, how he got where he is and what his future holds. Through his worldview, he identifies what is right and what is wrong so that he can make decisions for himself and for others.

2. What are some foundational understandings of the atheistic worldview?

Psalms 14:1b; **53:1b**; **100:3**

Judges **21:25**

Amos **7:12-13**

Proverbs **20:6**

There are basically two atheistic world views. The classical atheist asserts that there is absolutely no God. The modern atheist asserts that there may or may not be a God, they are just not interested in hearing anything about Him. Out of necessity they believe that evolution has been scientifically proven to be true and is not to be questioned. The basis for right and wrong behavior will either be the individual himself or it will arise out of a type of group-think – laws, cultural conventions, etc..

3. What is required to consistently hold the atheistic worldview?

Ephesians **2:12**

Isaiah **59:2-8**

A consistently held atheistic world view would out of necessity become chaotic and unsupportable. The consistent atheist would need to destroy all who are around him in order that he can assure his survival. He must commit intellectual suicide because the atheistic world has no basis for consistency nor any sense of peace or joy. It would have to be a hopeless life.

4. At what point does a person claiming to hold an atheistic worldview cease to hold one?

Romans **1:28-32**; **2:15**

1 Peter 3:15b

Hebrews **1:3**

Genesis **1:24-25**

Deuteronomy **29:29**

When an atheist actually asserts things are intrinsically wrong or are angry when someone has somehow “violated” their rights (murder, lying, theft, etc.), the atheist has ceased to function in a consistent fashion. He is stealing from the Christian world

view where cats give birth to kittens and such things as laws of logic or caring for another become a part of his worldview. The reason that there is consistency in the world is because Jesus upholds all things by the power of His word. Anyone claiming there is no God violates a basic principal of truth. No man on earth knows absolutely everything. He therefore cannot possibly know that God does not exist. Plus the reality is that he knows God exists, he just wishes he didn't.