

What is a “Postmodern 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

Proverbs 14:12a;

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 Postmodern worldview?

Psalm

2 Peter

Judges

Job 8:9

1 Corinthians

The Postmodernist begins his understanding of the world with the “death” of God. Although God did exist and was the creator, he ceases to exist. The postmodern thought is basically a naturalist thought. All that exists exists as the result of natural processes. This results in an understanding that each man is responsible for his own well being and is essentially able to do whatever he wants to do. Since God is dead, there is no obligation nor accountability to God or any other eternal judge. The question of knowing anything is speculative. It is difficult to be certain about anything. This results in a form of moral relativism and in relative thought. Basically if someone believes that something is true, than for that person it is true. It does not matter whether or not others accept their view of truth. The fact that the one believes it is sufficient for it to be true.

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

Exodus

Hosea

Isaiah

Proverbs

A consistently held Postmodern worldview would require the rejection of any type of authority. This will ultimately result in there being no truth nor moral order. Any actions taken by any individual would have to be considered to be acceptable for that individual to do. This would also include any sense of retaliation. The entire concept of justice and the expectation of justice would be non-existent because the idea of justice ultimately arises from the concept that there is a higher good or moral code that ought to be followed.

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

Isaiah

3 John

Luke

Acts

Romans

When a Postmodernist attempts to seek after “justice” or persecute law breakers, he is recognizing the existence of an authority which his worldview rejects. The very basis of his worldview, the non-existence of truth and authority, is self refuting of his worldview since his statement about the non-existence of truth and authority is both a “truth” statement and an “authoritative” statement. The postmodern worldview at its core is untenable and unreliable worldview and by necessity it MUST be violated.