

50 Bible Verses Everybody Should Know By Heart

Building Blocks of a Biblical Worldview – Part 1

To function with any degree of consistency as a professing Christian, we need to look at life through the lens of absolute reality provided for us in The Bible. And we need to construct our belief systems with the building blocks provide by God to us in His Word, the Bible. The next Scriptures we encounter will provide us with the basics that will, when taken together, will provide us with a Biblical Worldview through which we perceive reality as it really is rather than as we wish it would be.

But first, what is a “*worldview*” (from the German *Weltanschauung*)? *** It’s the sum total of **BELIEFS** everybody holds about these 7 issues (which together provide the material for the “lens” through which we look at life): [1] **God** – His existence and nature; [2] **Mankind** – origin, destiny, essence, purpose; [3] **Truth** – absolute or relative; [4] **Authority** – who is in control and/or calls the shots; [5] **Values** – what’s important and/or good; [6] **Ethics** – How is right/wrong/good/evil determined; [7] **Hope** – the reason for confident expectation for a better future.

Worldview building block #1: Isaiah 6:3 *“And one called out to another and said, “Holy, Holy, Holy is the Lord of hosts; the whole earth is full of His glory!”*

Why this Verse is important – What you think of God determines most everything else in life.

- ➔ Some observations about “. . . **Holy** . . . “ It’s the only attribute of God repeated 3X in succession. It’s also repeated in Revelation 4:8. Repetition is God’s way of highlighting, underlining, and bold-lettering what is super important. “Holy” means set apart, different, and morally pure.
- ➔ Some observations about “. . . **Lord** . . . “ This revelation of God emphasizes His Control, His Authority, and His Covenantal Presence among His people.
- ➔ Some observations about “. . . **glory** . . .” “Glory” refers to the visible manifestation of God’s weight, brightness, and significance. The whole creation is a manifestation of God’s glory, and we see His glory manifested most magnificently in His Son, Jesus Christ (see John 1)

Worldview building block #2: Genesis 1:27 *“So God created man in His own image; In the image of God He created him; male and female He created them.”*

Why this Verse is important – Your view of people determines how you deal with them AND how you see yourself.

This verse deserves careful examination because it affects (or Infects) virtually every relational issue in life! Some observations:

1. We REPRESENT God but are not exactly like Him. We are God’s claim on His creation.
2. We are part of God’s GOOD creation; and we are equally created good, male and female.
3. We are created to name and rule. He who names, controls.
4. Mankind was created NOT “according to its kind”, but distinct as one of a kind!
5. God created mankind de novo, by taking humble, lowly, inorganic matter (dust) and infusing it with the most significant and glorious substance – God’s breath!
6. Mankind is given by God two significant tasks: To WORK and to GUARD. We are to illuminate the darkness, order the chaos, fill the emptiness, and offer rest – but only as God’s representatives, re-created in Christ.