

# 50 Bible Verses Everybody Should Know By Heart

## Building Blocks of a Biblical Worldview – Part 4

“If your house caught on fire and you had time to take only 3-5 items with you before your house burned down, what would those items be? And what would those choices reveal about what’s important to you?” The answers to those questions are useful when it comes to determining one’s values. Axiology, or the study of VALUES, is an integral part of everyone’s worldview (that set of beliefs everyone has about **God, Mankind, Truth, Authority, Values, Ethics, and Hope**). This lesson, we consider a couple of verses we need to hide in our hearts about VALUES.

### What are “Values”?

**\*\* Values are those PEOPLE, PLACES, OBJECTS, and IDEAS we consider to be IMPORTANT and therefore prioritize and pursue. \*\*** *In fact, they shape our lives!*

What are some values people hold? Accomplishment / achievement; affluence / wealth; affection / connection; correctness / accuracy; acceptance / popularity; comfort / security; happiness / harmony; privacy / individual rights; family / friends . . . just to name a few.

The problem with values lies in the PRIORITIZING of them. As Christians, we must make sure that we do not make GOOD things our ULTIMATE Values!

Values are relative to other values, but WHICH values are most important?

### Worldview building block #5 is 2 verses with 1 thought: PHILIPPIANS 3:7-8

*“But whatever were GAINS to me I now consider LOSS for the sake of Christ. What is more, I consider everything a loss because of the SURPASSING WORTH of knowing CHRIST JESUS MY LORD, for Whose sake I have lost all things. I consider them garbage, that I might gain Christ . . . ”*

Here are some values that pale in comparison with THE ULTIMATE VALUE!

- ➔ The value of RELIGIOUS RITUALS
- ➔ The value of RACE (“FAMILY TREE”)
- ➔ The value of SELF -- SERVICE to God = “Using” God as a means to an end.
- ➔ The value of RIGHTEOUSNESS by WORKS. “. . . The best way to avoid Jesus is to “avoid” sin.

What’s the SURPASSING VALUE? It’s wrapped up in JESUS as:

- The PROPHET Who structures our thinking with His WORD.
- The PRIEST Who gives us a new identity through His SACRIFICE.
- The KING Who gives us DIRECTION and an AGENDA.