

1. Definition/Formation/Importance of a Worldview

- a. What's a worldview?
 - i. "The system of belief held by each man that enables him to live and act in the world and that explains how the various parts of the universe fit together."¹
 - ii. "A worldview is how one views or interprets reality...It is the framework through which or by which one makes sense of the data of life."²
- b. Three components of a worldview
 - i.
 - ii.
 - iii.
- c. Why is a worldview analysis important?
 - i. "False ideas are the greatest obstacles to the reception of the gospel."³
 - ii. A person's worldview provides answers to life's most important questions?
 - 1.
 - 2.
 - 3.

¹ Ronald B. Mayers, *Balanced Apologetics: Using Evidences and Presuppositions in Defense of the Faith* (Grand Rapids: Kregel Publications, 1984), 228.

² Norman L. Geisler, *Baker Encyclopedia of Christian Apologetics* (Grand Rapids: Baker Books, 1999), 785.

³ John Gresham Machen, "The Scientific Preparation of the Minister," *The Princeton Theological Review* (1913).