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What is Biblical Worldview?

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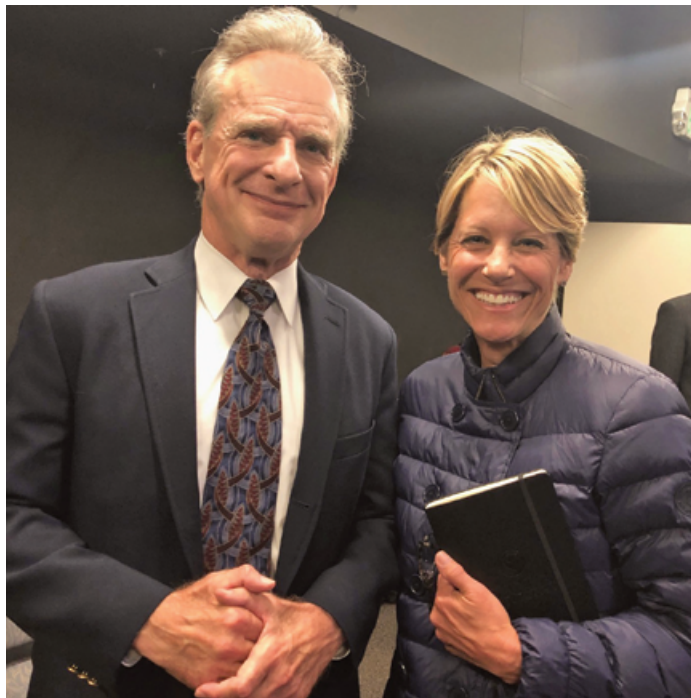
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A BIBLICAL WORLDVIEW of education means we teach students a comprehensive, unified view of the world that addresses all of life and reality. Our life purpose is to know God and when we pursue education to this end, all of our endeavors hold meaning and eternal significance, even the mundane. This belief is distinctive to Christian education. Because we believe we are saved *from* our sins and *for* the restoration of the world, we teach students both a biblical view of the world and how to add value to it. Each and every student is made in the image of God and designed by God for a vocation to partner with God to restore the world. Central to our school mission is an essential worldview question for all Christian schools: *How is each student uniquely a part of God's vision to restore creation?* and then, *How do we, as adult educators, parents, and the church partner to help our students vision a plan to restore it?*

In the pages that follow, I invite you to explore evidence that we are teaching and thinking in new ways about how best to prepare and equip our nation's future leaders to solve problems

in the world through a biblical worldview lens. This lens is crucial, especially now as we confront new and complex ethical, moral, religious, and social challenges in areas such as bioethics, social sciences, technology, and healthcare. Through the scope and sequence of our K-12 program, the goal is for students to learn that Christianity is more than a set of beliefs. It is also a view of the world that allows students to connect disciplines

to an objective truth that satisfies and answers our deepest questions as human beings. Armed with a whole Truth and the full assurance of the Holy Spirit, our students are then best equipped to seek and uplift the lost, add value and beauty to the world, and effect true change as growing believers in Jesus Christ. We engage students in an education of excellence that enables them to impact the world for Jesus Christ. Sound familiar? This is our mission and what distinguishes us from other schools.



Leonard stands with Biola University Professor William Lane Craig, Ph.D., following a two-day taping of lectures about Christian apologetics at Biola's Talbot School of Theology. Widely known for his public debates with atheists, agnostics, and skeptics, Craig is one of the foremost contemporary philosophers on Christianity and author of more than 30 books, including his 1994 classic Reasonable Faith, a comprehensive text of the primary apologetic arguments for God, Christ, and Scripture.

To learn more about worldview basics, follow the series on Breakpoint: A Fresh Look at Worldview. (www.breakpoint.org, search: A Fresh Look at Worldview) [!\[\]\(c50c8b7b2cc2cf9ff925edec0ee94c0d_img.jpg\)](#)