

GRACE BIBLE INSTITUTE PRESENTS

CHRISTIAN ENGAGEMENT WITH WORLD CULTURE



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SCHEDULE

4:30 Dinner

5:30 Welcome

5:35pm – Intro – Brian Zuniga

5:50pm - Session 1: Reclaiming Tolerance and Love – Dennis Sorensen

6:15pm - Break

6:25pm - Session 2: The Hierarchy of Values – Mark Holbrook

6:50pm - Session 3: Alignment with God – Matthew Holbrook

7:15pm - Break

7:25pm - Session 4: Christian Social Victims and Victimizers – Mike Sciarra

7:50pm - Q&A

8:30pm - Closing

SESSION ONE: Reclaiming Tolerance and Love

SESSION TWO: The Hierarchy of Values – A Biblical View

WHY A HIERARCHY?

Not all Values are _____.

- Examples:
1. Some Values are based on _____.
 2. Other Values may be _____.

Peter's Example:

David's Choice:

HOW DO WE DISCERN?

1. God's Explicit Commands:

Temporal: _____.

God's means of _____ and _____.

Eternal: _____.

Arise from _____.

2. Principles: _____ of _____ with
_____.

3. Precepts: _____ of _____ that
are _____ and _____.

Examples:

WHEN CHRISTIAN DIFFER

Sometimes we must *discern* between
God's _____

and our personal _____ and _____.

Examples:

SESSION Three: Alignment with God

A Christian must strive to live in a way that he/she is aligned with _____
and must use _____ to avoid becoming aligned with
people/organizations/movements/causes that are _____
to God and His purposes.

Example: Daniel 1:1-9

- 1) Daniel accepted _____.
- 2) Daniel would not associate with _____.
- 3) Daniel was _____ but _____; he was _____.
- 4) Daniel was not a _____.
- 5) God granted Daniel _____ and made enemies _____
with him (Proverbs 16:7)

What does it mean to live aligned with God?

1. _____: Our decisions about what we do are ultimately decisions about
who/what we _____. (Romans 12:1)
2. _____: Purpose of _____ (Matthew 6:9-13)
3. _____: A Renewed _____ =>to prove the will of God.
(Romans 12:2, 1 Cor. 2:16)

4. _____: _____ in Him (Ps. 37:4)

5. _____: A Conformed _____ (Romans 12:2)

a. We _____ what God _____

6. _____: Live in such a way as to _____ what God

_____ (Romans 13:11-14)

Alignment with God is living to _____ Him by _____ renewing our

_____ so that we _____ in Him, producing _____

that act in accordance with what God _____.

How might a Christian inadvertently become aligned with someone or something that is against God?

1. _____.

2. _____.

3. _____.

What should a Christian consider with regard to who he/she supports/contributes to/aligns with?

1. _____.

2. _____.

3. _____.

4. _____.

5. _____.

6. Remember:

a. _____

b. _____

SESSION Four: Christian Social Victims and Victimizers

The Point: *Christians should not be quick to identify as victims, should not seek victimhood, should not victimize, and should not be surprised by legitimate victimization. Strive to be a blessing rather than a bully or a baby.*

A. Bullies are self-centered and they are truly the weak ones.

1. How to deal with bullies

- a. Pray for _____.
- b. Do not answer a _____.
- c. Don't retaliate, but _____.

2. How Not to be a bully

- a. _____
- b. _____
- c. _____

B. Babies are self-centered and cry because someone said something that hurt them.

How to tell if you are a baby:

1. You need more than the _____.

2. You are always worried about _____

_____.

3. You can't take _____ (_____
_____).

1. Proper attitude/perspective when "attacked":

- a. Question your _____
_____ first.
- b. Pray for the _____.
- c. Don't _____,
_____.

2. What truly qualifies as persecution?

C. Blessers are Christ-centered and forget about themselves to serve God and others.

- 1. Resolve to _____.
- 2. Resist the temptation to _____.
- 3. Realize that _____
_____.
- 4. Rely on _____,
_____.
- 5. Remember you're _____!

Some General Advice:

When Dealing with Issues, Ask:

- 1. Is it a _____ issue?
- 2. Is it a _____ issue?
- 3. Is it a _____ issue?
- 4. Is it a _____ issue?

Ground Rules for Social Interactions:

1. Understanding comes before _____.
2. Seek to understand rather than be _____.
3. Avoid " _____ " arguments.
4. Issues have different _____.

Top 10 wisdom nuggets for all media users:

1. Never press send when you are _____.
2. Be very careful what you put in _____.
3. Pray for wisdom and discernment in the _____ of words.
4. If your goal is to _____ someone, pick up a phone or better yet talk to them in person.
5. Think about how you would like to be _____
_____.
6. Ask, what are my _____?
7. Count to 10 before pressing send and _____,

_____.
8. Reread what you have written _____
_____.
9. Does what you wrote _____
_____ and _____
_____?

10. Forget about yourself and ask God to use you to bless others, and _____

_____ , _____ _____ _____

_____ _____ _____ _____ .