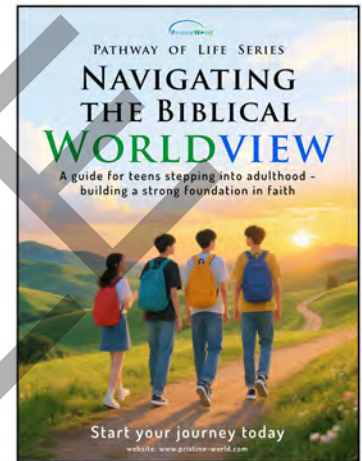


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Chapter 1: What is a Worldview?



A worldview is like a lens through which we see and interpret events in the world



Lesson Summary

A worldview is like a pair of glasses that shapes how we interpret and make sense of the world around us. Everyone has a worldview influenced by their experiences, knowledge, and trusted influences, which in turn affect the decisions we make and how we react to life's challenges. As we grow, several factors contribute to shaping our worldview: family, education, media, culture, and even online content. These influences can either strengthen or challenge our core beliefs, especially during formative years. This is why developing a Biblical worldview is essential for Christians. A Biblical worldview offers a solid foundation rooted in God's unchanging truth, providing clarity, direction, and purpose amidst life's uncertainties.

The Bible serves as the cornerstone of a Biblical worldview, offering timeless guidance that has helped believers navigate the complexities of life for over 2,000 years. By relying on Scripture, Christians can make wise decisions, discern truth from falsehood, and align their lives with God's purpose.

Key Takeaways:

1. **Worldview Definition:** A worldview is the lens through which we interpret life.
2. **Influences on Worldview:** Family, school, media, culture, and personal experiences play a significant role.
3. **The Importance of a Biblical Worldview:** It grounds Christians in truth, helping them navigate challenges and live with purpose.
4. **Practical Steps:** Prayer, Bible study, and fellowship with other believers are crucial for maintaining a Biblical worldview.

By intentionally building your worldview on the reliable truths of Scripture, you can better understand the world, make sound decisions, and live a life that honours God.

Model Answers to the Student Workbook

Section 1

Answer True (T) or False (F) for the statements below:

1. True
2. False
3. False
4. True
5. True
6. False

Activity 2

1. *Using past experiences to make a decision*
 - a. Glasses that correct blurry vision → Using past experiences to make a decision.
2. *Searching for reliable information when you are lost*
 - b. A map that helps find direction → Searching for reliable information when lost.
3. *Trying to make sense of random events in life.*
 - c. A puzzle box showing the big picture → Trying to make sense of random events in life.
4. *Trying to understand someone's bad behaviour*
 - a. Glasses that correct blurry vision → We may need help from others who have better lenses to help us see a clearer picture. Sometimes we need help from mature friends.

Section 2 – Understanding the Chapter

1. *Rank the factors based on which influences you the most:*

2. *Draw an “Influence Tree”*

3. *List three things you frequently watch on social media or types of content you enjoy viewing or engage with.*

Section 3 - Discussion Questions

1. *In your own words, describe what influences your worldview the most, and how does your worldview affect the way you see and make decisions?*

Chapter 2 – Beginning the Christian Journey – The Importance of Prayer, Bible, and Close Christian Fellowship

Lesson Summary

- **Becoming a Christian:**
 - Believe and accept Jesus as your Saviour, and commit to following His teachings.
 - Acknowledge God as Creator and recognize that salvation is through faith in Jesus, not by works.
- **The Importance of Prayer:**
 - Communicate with God through worship, thanksgiving, intercession, confession, and presenting personal needs.
 - Pray privately, in small groups, and as part of a church.
- **The Authority of the Bible:**
 - The Bible is the unchanging Word of God, providing guidance, correction, and teaching for daily life.
- **The Role of the Holy Spirit:**
 - The Holy Spirit empowers, guides, and dwells within believers, helping them live a Christ-centred life.
- **Christian Fellowship:**
 - Having fellowship with other believers nurtures spiritual growth, accountability, and encouragement.
 - It also provides opportunities to serve and witness to others.
- **Living the Christian Life:**
 - See the world through the lens of faith and biblical teachings.
 - Seek to do good works as a response to God's grace, not as a means of earning salvation.



The Authority of the Bible should be plugged into for all the guidance we seek

Model Answers to the Student Workbook

Section 1

Activity 1: Understanding Salvation

1. Sinned
2. Grace, Faith
3. Love

Activity 2: Prayer in Action

1. Match each prayer type with its description:
 - o *Praising God for His greatness.*
Worship → Praising God for His greatness
 - o *Asking for help for others.*
Thanksgiving → Thanking God for blessings
 - o *Admitting sins and asking for forgiveness.*
Intercession → Asking for help for others.
 - o *Thanking God for blessings.*
Confession → Admitting sins and asking for forgiveness.
 - o *Asking God to meet personal needs.*
Requesting Needs → Asking God to meet personal needs.
2. Write a short prayer that includes at least three of these types.

“Dear God, I worship You for Your power and love. Thank You for my family and friends. Please help my friend who is sick. Forgive me for being impatient today. Guide me to do Your will. Amen.”

Activity 3: Fellowship Reflection

1. Read Hebrews 10:24-25. Answer: Why is fellowship important for Christians?
Fellowship encourages love and good deeds, and it provides support and accountability.
2. List two ways you can actively participate in a Christian community.
 - Join a Bible study or small group.
 - Volunteer to help with church activities.

Activity 4: The Bible as Our Guide

1. Complete the verse:
Lamp, Light

2. Write one reason why reading the Bible regularly is important.

Reading the Bible helps us understand God’s will and make wise decisions.

Activity 5: Exploring the Role of the Holy Spirit

1. Read John 14:26. How does the Holy Spirit help Christians?
The Holy Spirit teaches us all things and reminds us of Jesus’ teachings.
2. List two ways the Holy Spirit works in your life.
 - Guiding me to make right decisions.
 - Helping me understand Bible verses.

Activity 6: Seeing the World Through Faith

1. Read Romans 12:2. What does it mean to “renew your mind”?
It means changing your thoughts to align with God’s teachings and rejecting worldly influences.
2. Write one way you can see the world through the lens of faith.
By showing kindness to someone who is unkind, following Jesus’ teaching to love others.

Section 2 – Discussion Questions

1. Why do you think that all the activities listed in the Lesson Summary, i.e. believing in Jesus, committing to follow Jesus, prayer, role of the Holy Spirit in our lives, having a fellowship with other Christians, and applying the teachings of Christ in our lives, are important in cultivating a biblical worldview?
Give your opinion why each of the items mentioned are important for Christian living.
2. Would you like to re-commit your life to following Jesus and becoming a Christian?

CHAPTER 3: The Identity Crisis – Who is God and Who am I?

Lesson Summary

1. God is the Creator

- God created the universe, the earth, and all living things. He sustains life through the natural laws He established.
- Our understanding of God is progressive. Like children growing in knowledge, we gain deeper understanding over time, but we will never fully comprehend God's greatness.
- Scientific discoveries expand our knowledge but remind us that we do not know everything. For example, discoveries about atoms, molecules, and the universe are constantly evolving.



Who can see God or probe the limits of the Almighty?

2. Characteristics of God

- God's ways and thoughts are far higher than ours (Isaiah 55:8-9). He reveals only what we need to understand for our lives.
- Humans are like clay shaped by God, the potter, with specific purposes (Romans 9:20-21).
- The Bible teaches us that God created humans in His image, giving us inherent value and dignity (Genesis 1:26-27).

3. Why Can't We Fully See or Understand God?

- God is Spirit (John 4:24) and infinite, beyond the limits of our physical senses and understanding.
- Like radio waves we cannot see, God's presence is real but not always visible.
- God is infinite. Just as a grasshopper cannot appreciate a symphony, we cannot fully comprehend God except for what He has revealed to us.
- God reveals Himself through creation, the Bible, the Holy Spirit, and through His Son, Jesus Christ.

4. Our Role in God's Creation

- Humans are created in God's image, with value and purpose (Genesis 1:27).
- We are entrusted with stewardship of the earth, called to care for the environment and its creatures (Genesis 2:15).
- Each of us has unique talents and gifts to fulfill God's purposes, bringing glory to Him (Ephesians 2:10).

5. How does Knowing God's Characteristics Shape Our Worldview

- Understanding God's greatness and purpose helps us view ourselves and the world from a Biblical perspective.
- Reflecting on our strengths and passions can help us discover the roles God has created for us to fulfill His plan.

Model Answers to the Student Workbook

Section 1 – Understanding the Chapter

1. *Who created the universe and everything in it, according to the Bible?*
God is the Creator of the universe, the earth, and all living things.
2. *What does it mean to be made in God's image (Genesis 1:26-27)?*
Being made in God's image means humans reflect aspects of God's character, such as creativity, love, and the ability to make moral decisions.
3. *Why can't we fully understand God's nature and plans?*
God's ways and thoughts are higher than ours (Isaiah 55:8-9). Our limited human understanding cannot fully comprehend His infinite nature.
4. *What is humanity's role in God's creation?*
Humans are stewards of God's creation, responsible for caring for the earth and its creatures (Genesis 2:15).
5. *How does the Bible answer the question: "Who am I, and what is my purpose?"*
The Bible teaches that humans are created by God with a purpose: to do good works (Ephesians 2:10), reflect His character, and bring glory to Him.
6. *How does God reveal Himself to us?*
God reveals Himself through creation (Romans 1:20), the Bible, the Holy Spirit, and His Son, Jesus Christ.
7. *Why is it important to acknowledge that God is the Creator?*
Acknowledging God as Creator helps us understand our purpose and value, and it leads us to worship Him and live according to His will.
8. *What does Romans 1:20 say about creation and God's nature?*
Romans 1:20 states that God's eternal power and divine nature are clearly seen in creation, so people are without excuse.

9. *Understand the limits of human knowledge compared to God's infinite wisdom.*
 - What does this teach us about God's wisdom compared to human knowledge?
 - The discovery of quarks, smaller than atoms, shows how much more we still have to learn.
 - This teaches me that God's wisdom is infinite, and our knowledge is limited.

Section 2 – True or False Questions

1. False 2. True 3. False
4. False 5. True

Section 3 – Discussion Questions

1. *When you look at creation, what aspects of nature amaze you the most? How do these things reflect God's greatness?*
Think about the stars, the oceans, or the intricate design of the human body.
2. *Why is it important to recognize that humans were intentionally created by God and not by random chance? How does this belief shape your identity?*
Share how knowing you are created by God impacts your self-worth and purpose.
3. *Isaiah 55:8-9 reminds us that God's ways are higher than ours. How can this truth help you trust God during difficult or confusing times? Share a time when trusting God helped you through a challenging situation.*
4. *Genesis 2:15 teaches us to "work and take care" of the earth. What does this responsibility look like in your everyday life as a teenager? Share small ways you can make a positive impact on the environment.*
5. *The Bible teaches that God reveals Himself to us in ways we can understand. How has God revealed Himself to you personally—through the Bible, prayer, or other experiences? What is our responsibility when we receive such revelation? Share specific ways you've felt God's presence or guidance. Share what you did when you received a prompting or a conviction from God.*

Chapter 4 – Authority and Importance of the Bible as a Basis for the Christian’s Worldview



Impact of the Bible on Art, Literature and Science

Lesson Summary

1. The Bible as the Foundation for a Christian Worldview

- While everyone has a conscience, our judgment is flawed because of sin. The Bible is God’s ultimate guide to living the right way.

2. Why Trust the Bible?

- The Bible has proven its reliability through its historical accuracy, fulfilled prophecies, and consistency across its 66 books written over 1,500 years.

3. The Bible’s Influence on History

- The Bible has shaped modern ideas of human dignity, justice, education, and law, and it has inspired social reformers like William Wilberforce and Martin Luther King Jr.

4. Applicability of the Bible Today

- The Bible is relevant for addressing modern moral challenges such as peer pressure, social media, and relationships. It provides guidance for living a life of integrity and compassion.

5. How to Study the Bible

- Engage in personal devotions, group studies, and learn from Christian communities to better understand the Bible and apply its teachings in daily life.

Model Answers to the Student Workbook

Section 1 - Activity

- A cover featuring a lamp shining on a path, with the words "God's Word: A Light for My Journey."

Section 2 - Understanding the Chapter

1. *What is the primary foundation of a Christian worldview?*
The Bible is the foundation because it is God's inspired Word and provides guidance for how to live.
2. *Why is human judgment unreliable on its own?*
Sin affects our judgment, making it difficult to always make the right choices.
3. *How has the Bible proven its reliability?*
Through historical accuracy, fulfilled prophecies, and consistency across its books.
4. *Can you share a time when your actions did not follow your conscience?*
 - Promoting human dignity by teaching that everyone is made in God's image.
 - Inspiring social justice and equality.
 - Influencing the development of laws and education systems.
5. *What does Psalm 119:105 teach about the Bible?*
It describes the Bible as "a lamp for my feet, a light on my path," meaning it provides guidance for life.
6. *Why is it good to study the Bible as part of a group?*
Group studies help with understanding difficult passages and provide encouragement and accountability.
7. *How is the Bible applicable to teens today?*
It provides guidance for handling peer pressure, online behaviour, relationships, and moral challenges.

Section 3 - Discussion Questions

1. *Which Bible-inspired idea (e.g., human dignity, social justice) do you think has had the greatest impact on the world? Why?*
Discussion Prompt: Discuss how these principles are still relevant today.
2. *Think about people like William Wilberforce and Martin Luther King Jr. How can their examples encourage you to make a difference in your community?*
Discussion Prompt: Share practical ways to stand up for what is right.
3. *How can the Bible help you navigate challenges such as peer pressure or online behaviour?*
Discussion Prompt: Share examples of Bible verses that guide your actions.
4. *Why is it important to belong to a Christian community when studying the Bible? How does it help us in living out our Christian lives in a way that brings glory to God?*
Discussion Prompt: Discuss how being part of a community has helped you grow spiritually.

CHAPTER 5: What is Sin and the Consequences of Sin?



Lesson Summary

1. God's Perfect Creation:

- God created the world perfect and humans in His image (Genesis 1:27).
- Adam and Eve lived in harmony with God, with innocence and purpose.

2. The Entry of Sin:

- Sin entered the world when Adam and Eve disobeyed God, leading to a broken fellowship with Him and curses on humanity and creation (Genesis 3).
- Sin is rebellion, lawlessness, and disobedience to God's commands.

3. Consequences of Sin:

- Sin brought spiritual death, corruption, and separation from God (Ephesians 2:1-3).
- It resulted in human suffering, crime, and natural calamities (Romans 8:20-22).

4. God's Solution to Sin:

- Despite sin, God provided salvation through Jesus Christ.
- Jesus came to reconcile humanity to God and offer eternal life to those who believe in Him (John 3:16).

Model Answers to the Student Workbook

Section 1 - Activity

- **Humanity:** Separation from God, spiritual death, moral corruption, suffering.
- **Creation:** Curse on the ground, natural disasters, environmental degradation.

Section 2 – Understanding the Chapter

Understanding Sin

1. *What was the world like before Adam and Eve sinned?*
It was perfect. Humans lived in harmony with God, had no shame or guilt, and were given the task of caring for creation.
2. *What is sin according to the Bible?*
Sin is lawlessness, disobedience, rebellion against God, and falling short of His perfect standards (1 John 3:4, Romans 3:23).
3. *How did sin enter the world?*
Sin entered the world when Adam and Eve disobeyed God by eating the forbidden fruit (Genesis 3).
4. *What are the consequences of sin for humanity?*
Sin brought spiritual death, separation from God, suffering, and the spread of wickedness and corruption (Genesis 6:5-6, Ephesians 2:1-3).

God's Solution

5. *How does God show His love for sinners?*
God sent His Son, Jesus, to die for our sins and to offer salvation to those who believe in Him (John 3:16, Romans 5:8).
6. *What should we do when we sin, even as Christians?*
Confess our sins to God, who is faithful and just to forgive us and purify us (1 John 1:9).

Section 3 – Discussion Questions

Understanding Sin

1. *Why is it important to understand what sin is and its consequences?*
Discussion Prompt: Reflect on how understanding sin helps us recognize the need for Jesus and His forgiveness.

2. *How do you see the consequences of sin in the world today?*
Discussion Prompt: Discuss examples like wars, natural disasters, or social injustices and how they relate to the Bible's teaching about sin.

God's Plan for Redemption

3. *What does it mean to you that God provided a way to overcome sin through Jesus?*
Discussion Prompt: Share personal reflections on how Jesus' sacrifice gives hope and a way back to God.
4. *How can knowing God's forgiveness change the way you live your life?*
Discussion Prompt: Discuss how God's forgiveness can inspire gratitude, repentance, and a desire to share His love with others.

Living in a Sinful World

5. *What can Christians do to reflect God's goodness in a world affected by sin?*
Discussion Prompt: Share ideas about showing kindness, standing up for justice, or caring for creation.

Chapter 6 – God’s Salvation Plan and Growing in the Faith



Lesson Summary

1. Who is Jesus?

- Jesus is the Son of God, the Redeemer, and the Messiah. He is both Divine and the Saviour of the world.
- Jesus fulfills Old Testament prophecies, proving that He is the Messiah who died for our sins and rose again.

2. Old Testament Prophecies Fulfilled by Jesus:

- Prophecies about His virgin birth, place of birth, lineage, miracles, crucifixion, resurrection, and ascension were fulfilled.

3. Steps to Receive God’s Salvation:

- Believe in God, acknowledge sin, repent, and accept Jesus as Saviour.

4. Benefits of Believing in Jesus:

- Forgiveness of sins, adoption as children of God, receiving the Holy Spirit, eternal life, and access to spiritual blessings.

5. Differences in the Christian Worldview:

- Rooted in glorifying God, based on the Bible’s truth, and acknowledging God’s sovereignty.
- Importance of Fellowship and Church:
- Growing in faith requires joining a church, learning from mature Christians, and being part of a supportive community.

Model Answers to the Student Workbook

Section 1 – Write a Letter

- Write a short letter to a friend explaining how they can become a Christian.

“Dear [Friend],
I want to share something important with you. To become a Christian, you need to believe in God, acknowledge your sins, and accept Jesus as your Saviour. Jesus loves you and died for your sins. By trusting Him, you can have eternal life and a personal relationship with God. Let me know if you'd like to talk more about this.
Love, [Your Name]”

- Create a table comparing the Christian world view with a non-Christian worldview.

Christian Worldview

Rooted in the Bible

Non-Christian Worldview

Based on human reasoning or culture

Christian Worldview

Acknowledges God's sovereignty

Non-Christian Worldview

Often denies or redefines God's role

Christian Worldview

Focuses on eternal outcomes

Non-Christian Worldview

Focuses on worldly goals

Section 2 – Understanding the Chapter

1. *Who is Jesus according to the Bible?*
Jesus is the Son of God, the Messiah, and the Redeemer who died for our sins and rose again.
2. *Name one Old Testament prophecy about Jesus and its fulfillment.*
Prophecy: Isaiah 7:14 – “Born of a virgin.”
Fulfillment: Matthew 1:22-23 – Jesus was born of the virgin Mary.
3. *What does John 3:16 tell us about God's love?*
God loves the world so much that He gave His only Son so whoever believes in Him will have eternal life.

4. *What are the steps to becoming a Christian?*
Believe in God, acknowledge sin, repent, accept Jesus as Saviour, and follow Him.
5. *What happens when we put our faith in Jesus?*
Our sins are forgiven, we become children of God, we receive the Holy Spirit, and we gain eternal life.

Section 3 – Discussion Questions

Understanding Prophecy

1. *Why are Old Testament prophecies about Jesus important?*
Discussion Prompt: Discuss how fulfilled prophecies strengthen our faith in Jesus as the Messiah.
2. *What can we learn from Jesus' death and resurrection?*
Discussion Prompt: Reflect on how Jesus' sacrifice shows God's love and justice.

Living as a Christian

3. *What are some challenges Christians face in today's world?*
Discussion Prompt: Share examples of peer pressure, moral dilemmas, or cultural challenges and how the Bible provides guidance.
4. *Why is it important to join a church or Christian community?*
Discussion Prompt: Discuss how fellowship helps Christians grow in faith and stay accountable.

CHAPTER 7A: Introduction to Understanding Different Worldviews: Ethics, Gender identity, Purpose in Life and Love



Lesson Summary

1. Defining Worldviews:

- A worldview shapes how we see life, make decisions, and interpret events. The Biblical worldview relies on God and His Word, while other worldviews are shaped by human reasoning, culture, or tradition.

2. Key Areas of Comparison:

- Ethics: Biblical ethics are rooted in God's unchanging character, while other worldviews rely on societal norms or human reasoning.
- Gender Identity: The Bible defines gender as God's creation with distinct purposes, while other views often see gender as fluid or socially constructed.
- Purpose in Life: Biblical purpose centers on glorifying God and serving others, while other views often focus on personal achievement or societal contribution.
- Love: Biblical love emphasizes selflessness and sacrificial love, while other views may prioritise romantic or familial love.

3. Respecting Other Worldviews:

- Christians can engage with friends of different worldviews by finding common ground, respecting their beliefs, and gently sharing Biblical truth with gentleness - without compromising their own faith.

Model Answers to the Student Workbook

Section 1 – Activity

- Write down three things you think are part of your purpose in life and compare them with the Biblical worldview.

1. To glorify God.
2. To help others know Jesus.
3. To use my talents to serve others.

- Describe the key differences between the Biblical view and the other views on the meaning of love.

Prompt by looking at the chart of Biblical World view – sacrificial love rooted in God’s character vs Emotional or rational, or philosophical love. Ask the students to share how Biblical view of love can be put into action and how it can differ from other worldviews.

Section 2 – Understanding the Chapter

1. *What makes the Biblical worldview different from other worldviews?*
The Biblical worldview relies on God and His Word, while other worldviews rely on human reasoning, culture, or tradition.
2. *What is the foundation of Biblical ethics?*
Biblical ethics are based on God’s unchanging character and principles revealed in the Bible.
3. *How does the Biblical worldview define gender?*
The Bible defines gender as male and female, created by God with distinct roles and responsibilities.
4. *What does the Biblical worldview say about purpose in life?*
Life’s purpose is to glorify God, serve others, and reflect God’s love, wisdom, and justice.

Section 3 – Discussion Questions

1. *Why is it important for Christians to understand other worldviews?*
Discussion Prompt: Explore how understanding other views can help us engage with others and share the gospel effectively.
2. *How can Christians respectfully respond to friends with different worldviews?*
Discussion Prompt: Discuss ways to share Biblical truths without offending others or compromising faith.
3. *In the Bible (1 Corinthians 13), it says, you can have all the talents or spiritual gifts, but without love, it is just noise – Do you agree and why do you think the Apostle Paul makes this statement?*
Discussion Prompt: Discuss based on your experience and knowledge of the Bible

CHAPTER 7B: Introduction to Understanding Different Worldviews: Cultures, Family Traditions, Work and Student Life Ethics, Choice of Career, and Circle of Friends



Lesson Summary

1. Defining Worldviews:

- A worldview shapes how we see life, make decisions, and interpret events. The Biblical worldview relies on God and His Word, while other worldviews are shaped by human reasoning, culture, or tradition.

2. Key Areas of Comparison:

- Culture and Traditions: (Biblical perspectives or worldviews embrace cultural diversity while ensuring traditions align with God's truth.)
- Work and Career: Biblical worldviews regard work as a way to serve God and use one's talents for His glory, while others often prioritise financial success or personal fulfilment.
- Friendships: Biblical friendships aim to encourage spiritual growth, while others may focus on shared interests or emotional bonds.

3. Respecting Other Worldviews:

- Christians can engage with friends of different worldviews by finding common ground, respecting their beliefs, and gently sharing Biblical truth without compromising their own faith.

Model Answers to the Student Workbook

Section 1 – Activity

- Write a paragraph about how you can celebrate cultural traditions while staying true to Biblical values.

“I can celebrate cultural traditions like festivals and community events as long as they don’t contradict the Bible’s teachings. For example, I can enjoy New Year celebrations while remembering to thank God for His blessings.”

- Write your dream job and explain how you can use it to glorify God.

“My dream job is to be a teacher. I can glorify God by teaching with integrity, being kind to students, and using my influence to encourage them to live with purpose.”

Section 2 – Understanding the Chapter

1. How does the Biblical worldview define culture?

The Bible describes culture as human ways to reflect God’s glory, creativity, and respects other cultures while standing firm on Biblical truth. Do you agree and how do you think this can be carried out by Christians.

2. What does the Biblical worldview say about Family Traditions?

How can family traditions be used for God’s purposes.

3. How does the Bible encourage Christians to approach studies and work?

To honour God, serve others, and develop character rooted in God’s calling. Discuss with the students how we can put this into practice and how will this objective be different from other worldviews.

Section 3 – Discussion Questions

1. It is important to respect other cultures, but what happens when those cultures clash with Biblical teachings – how then do we decide what is good and true?

Discussion Prompt: Ask the students to share. Ultimately the Bible must be the ultimate benchmark over what is good and truth, what is good and permissible for us to practice.

2. Traditions can be used to keep our faith alive, not just repeat the past. This faith can include Christian traditions, as well as non-spiritual traditions like New Year or Family Festival gatherings. What is your opinion and explain how it can have a positive or negative influence.

Discussion Prompt: Discuss how family traditions can be practiced in various ethnic backgrounds. Ask the students to share based on their own family traditions and how was it beneficial to them.

3. How can we put our knowledge and worldview into making a career choice?

Discussion Prompt: Reflect on how Biblical love can guide us in forming meaningful relationships.

4. Think of your five closest friends. How much do they influence you in the choices and decisions you make? How do you distinguish whether their influence is in line with Biblical teaching?

Discussion Prompt: Ask the students to share from their own experience.

CHAPTER 8: Relationship with Family and Friends



1. Foundation of Relationships:

- Loving God with all your heart, soul, and mind is the foundation of all relationships. When you prioritise God, it transforms how you treat others.
- Loving others is a reflection of God's love and is commanded by Jesus as the second greatest commandment.

2. Family Relationships:

- The Bible highlights the importance of honouring and loving parents, as well as brothers and sisters. Jesus demonstrated this by honouring His earthly parents.
- Siblings teach us how to love, forgive, and grow in relationships, mirroring how Jesus loves us.

3. Relationships in the Christian Community:

- The church is the "body of Christ" where each member contributes to its growth by using his/her unique gifts.
- Christians are called to encourage, serve, and pray for one another, maintaining accountability and resolving conflicts with grace.

4. Relationships with Non-Christian Friends:

- Christians are called to be "salt and light," treating everyone with kindness and respect.
- Sharing faith should be done with gentleness and respect, showing Christ's love through actions and words.

5. Close Friendships:

- Choose close friends wisely as they influence your character and choices.
- Be a positive influence, set healthy boundaries, and prioritise your relationship with God.

Model Answers to the Student Workbook

Section 1 - Activities

1. Bible Verse Matching

Bible Verse		Principle
Matthew 22:37-39	→	Love God and love others.
Proverbs 13:20	→	Choose friends wisely.
1 Peter 3:15	→	Share your faith with gentleness and respect.
Galatians 6:2	→	Carry each other's burdens.
Hebrews 10:24-25	→	Encourage one another and meet together.

2. Love in Action

Person	Example of Showing Love
Parents	→ Help with chores without being asked. Spend time to talk with them. Ask them about their day. Be grateful for the meals provided and help clean up.
Siblings	→ Share your belongings or listen when they need support. If possible, help them with homework or play games together.
Friends	→ Encourage them during tough times.
Church Members	→ Volunteer for a church activity.
Non-Christian Friends	→ Be friends. Pray for them and show kindness without expecting anything in return.

Section 2 – Understanding the Chapter

1. *Why is loving God the foundation of all relationships?*
Loving God helps us see and treat others as He does, with kindness, respect, and love.
2. *What does the Bible say about honouring parents?*
The Bible commands us to honour our parents by loving, respecting, and caring for them (Exodus 20:12, Ephesians 6:1-3).
3. *What is the purpose of relationships in the Christian community?*
Relationships in the Christian community are meant to encourage, serve, and help each other grow in faith.
4. *How should Christians interact with non-Christian friends?*
Christians should treat non-Christian friends with love and respect, sharing faith gently and being a positive influence (1 Peter 3:15).
5. *What qualities make a good close friend according to the Bible?*
A good friend is wise, loyal, supportive, and helps you grow closer to God (Proverbs 17:17, Proverbs 13:20).

Section 3 – Discussion Questions

1. *Why is it important to honour parents even when you disagree with them?*
Discussion Prompt: Discuss the balance between honouring parents and making independent choices as you grow.
2. *What are some practical ways you can be a positive influence in your friend group?*
Discussion Prompt: Explore how your actions, words, and decisions reflect your faith.
3. *Why is it important to resolve conflicts quickly whether in family or among friends?*
Discussion Prompt: Discuss how unresolved issues can harm relationships and how forgiveness reflects God's love.

Chapter 9. Matching the Bible - based Faith with Science – Are there any Conflicts?

Lesson Summary

1. Faith and Science as Complementary:

- The Bible teaches that God is the Creator of the universe, and science reveals the intricacies of His creation.
- Faith provides meaning, purpose, and morality, while science explains how the natural world operates.

2. Biblical Encouragement to Study Creation:

- The Bible encourages studying the natural world to better understand God's wisdom, power, and character (Proverbs 3:19, Job 12:7-9).

3. Science Deepens Our Awe of God:

- The immense expanse of space and the intricate design of DNA reveals God's omnipotence, creativity, and care.

4. Faith and Science in Partnership:

- Science equips Christians to care for creation and serve others, aligning with God's commands to be steward of the Earth and to love others (Genesis 2:15).

5. Contributions of Christian Scientists:

- Scientists like Isaac Newton, Gregor Mendel, and Francis Collins demonstrate how faith and science can coexist, inspiring us to explore creation with wonder and reverence.



Model Answers to the Student Workbook

Section 1 – Activities

1. Design Your Own Planet and Solar System

- How far is your planet from its star?
- What is the atmosphere made of?
- How does your planet support life?
- How will you protect it from Cosmic radiation?
- How will you protect it from foreign planet-destroying meteors

2. Compare ‘Naturalism’ with the Biblical Worldview

Topic	Naturalism Worldview	Biblical Worldview
Purpose and meaning of life		
Morality and Ethics		
View of Science and faith		
View of Death and Afterlife		
The Underlying Ethos		

Section 2 – Understanding the Chapter

1. *What does Genesis 1:1 teach us about creation?*

Genesis 1:1 teaches that God is the Creator of the heavens and the Earth, emphasising His intentional design and sovereignty.

2. *How does science help us understand God’s character?*

Science reveals God’s power through the immense expanse of space, His creativity in the diversity of life, and His care through the functionality of the ecosystems.

3. *Name a few important factors that make the planet Earth capable of supporting life as we know it.*

Earth’s perfect distance from the Sun, allowing liquid water to exist, which is essential for life. Earth having a magnetic shield. Earth having climate, weather and seasons caused by its rotation and its tilt, and etc.

4. *How can science and faith work together?*

Science explains how things work, while faith explains why they exist and their purpose, making them complementary in understanding God’s creation.

5. *Name two Christian scientists and their contributions.*

- Isaac Newton: Discovered the laws of motion and gravity.
- Gregor Mendel: Discovered the principles of genetics.

Section 3 – Discussion Questions

1. *How has learning about the relationship between science and faith changed your perspective?*

Discussion Prompt: Reflect on how science reveals the complexity and order of God’s creation.

2. *Why do you think God created the Earth with so many fine-tuned features to support life?*

Discussion Prompt: Discuss how these features reflect God’s care and intentionality.

3. *What role do Christians have in caring for the environment?*

Discussion Prompt: Discuss the Biblical mandate of stewardship and practical ways to care for creation.

4. *What would you say to someone who believes science and faith cannot go together?*

Discussion Prompt: Reflect on what you have learnt in this chapter.

Chapter 10. Biblical Worldview on Stewardship of Ourselves and Our Resources

Lesson Summary

1. Stewardship as a Biblical Mandate:

- We are stewards of our body, mind, spirit, and resources. Everything belongs to God, and we are called to manage them responsibly for His glory (1 Corinthians 6:19-20, Romans 12:1).

2. Stewardship in Education:

- Education is a God-given resource to be used wisely for His glory, not just for personal success (Colossians 3:23).

3. Money Management:

- Stewardship includes budgeting, saving, giving, and avoiding debt. Generosity reflects God's priorities, and contentment guards against materialism (Proverbs 21:5, Hebrews 13:5).

4. Guarding Against Harmful Influences:

- Stewardship requires avoiding addictions, materialism, and time-wasters while cultivating self-control, gratitude, and accountability (1 Corinthians 6:19-20, Philippians 4:8).

5. Living as Stewards:

- By applying Biblical principles, we honour God with our resources and prepare for greater responsibilities in His Kingdom.



Model Answers to the Student Workbook

Section 1 - Activities

1. Stewardship Self-Assessment

Area of Stewardship

Body

Mind

Spirit

Resources

Current Practices

Eating healthy, regular exercise

Reading books, studying diligently

Praying daily

Saving part of my allowance

Areas to Improve

Reduce screen time, sleep earlier

Avoid negative social media influences

Spend more time reading the Bible

Plan a budget, give to church or charity

Section 1 - Activities

2. Create a Stewardship Plan

Materialism

Seeks happiness in possessions →

Promotes self-centredness →

Focuses on temporary wealth →

Chases material wealth more →

Christian Values

Finds joy in God and His provision

Encourages generosity and service to others

Focuses on eternal treasures

Hard work balanced with contentment

Section 2 – Understanding the Chapter

1. *What does it mean to be a steward of your body, mind, and spirit?*

It means recognizing that everything belongs to God and taking care of our body, mind, and spirit to honour Him and fulfil His purposes.

2. *How can education be used as a form of stewardship?*

By viewing education as a gift from God, excelling to glorify Him, and applying Biblical principles to learning and ethical decisions.

3. *What does the Bible say about managing money?*

The Bible encourages budgeting, saving, giving generously, avoiding debt, and being content with what we have (Proverbs 21:5, Hebrews 13:5).

4. *Why is it important to guard against materialism?*

Materialism promotes self-centredness and distracts us from finding joy in God and eternal treasures (Matthew 6:19-21).

5. *What does Philippians 4:8 teach us about guarding our minds?*

It encourages us to focus on what is true, noble, right, pure, lovely, admirable, and praiseworthy to protect our thoughts from negative influences.

Section 3 – Discussion Questions

1. *How can you honour God with your body, mind, and spirit in your daily life?*

Discussion Prompt: Reflect on your habits, lifestyle, and choices that glorify God.

2. *What are some practical ways to use education to serve God and others?*

Discussion Prompt: Consider how learning can prepare you for ministry; the career you choose can be used by God for service, or contributing to society.

3. *Share some ways you can be a good steward of your money, your talents, and your abilities.*

Discussion Prompt: Discuss the joy and responsibility of giving your time, money and developing your abilities so that you can be in a better position in the future to be able to positively impact the community around you.

4. *What are some of the things you should watch out for which can harm you? Share the things that you need to watch out for.*

Discussion Prompt: Of all the items mentioned in section 10.4 of the book, share some items that speak to you especially. Explore strategies for standing firm in faith and making wise decisions. Close relationship with fellow believers, family, and other God-fearing people. Discuss how you can draw boundaries, off-limit activities and strictly observe them, and other strategies.

Chapter 11. Use of Technology and Digital Discipleship

Lesson Summary

1. Faith and Technology Intersection:

- Technology influences how we live, connect, and grow spiritually. While digital resources can deepen our faith, they can also distract or harm us if not used responsibly.

2. Spiritual Growth Through Technology:

- Bible apps, online communities, and Christian podcasts are great tools for growing in faith. However, we must evaluate how much time we spend online and ensure the content aligns with God's Word.

3. Ethical Online Behavior:

- Christians are called to reflect God's love and character online by using kind words, respecting privacy, avoiding harmful content, and practicing discernment.

4. Warning Signs in the Online World:

- Excessive screen time, harmful content, misinformation, cyberbullying, and privacy threats can harm our faith and well-being. Vigilance and accountability are key.

5. The Role of Artificial Intelligence:

- AI can enhance learning, creativity, and productivity but may lead to overreliance or ethical challenges. Wisdom and discernment are needed to navigate its use.

Model Answers to the Student Workbook

Section 1 – Activities

Activity 1: Technology Reflection

Ethical and Responsible Online Behaviour	Practical Applications
Guarding your words and actions online	Ask yourself before you post anything: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Is it true? • is it kind, necessary? • Is it helpful, informative, or just to show how clever you are?
Protecting Personal and other's Privacy	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Be careful about sharing personal details online, such as location, identity, contact information, family details • These details can be lost or sold to scammers • Ask for permission if there is a good reason you want to share online
Avoid Harmful Content and Temptations	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Do not share content that is inappropriate, violent, hateful, or offensive • Do not share content that violates other peoples' privacy • Stay away from addictive behaviours, such as compulsive scrolling, gaming or overuse of social media, which can detract you from your spiritual, emotional, and mental well-being
Discernment in Sharing and Consuming Content	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Fact-check before sharing news, memes, or stories to avoid spreading fake news • Critically evaluate the values, worldviews, and intentions behind online content – Is it in line with God's Word? What message does it convey? • Learn to identify manipulative tactics in advertising, click baiting, or harmful ideologies embedded in media trends

Ethical and Responsible Online Behaviour	Practical Applications
Demonstrate Accountability and Transparency	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Share your online activities with a trusted mentor, parent, or accountability partner • Be open to correction if someone points out unkind or inappropriate behaviour online • Regularly evaluate your online activities and ask yourself, and in prayer, whether they reflect what the Bible teaches about good behaviour.

Activity 2: Warning Signs in the Online Universe

Topic	Warning Signs	Action Steps
Time wasting and excessive screen time	Neglecting school work, physical exercise, socialising, Bible reading time and family time due to excessive screen time.	Ask the students for their own solution:
Engaging with Harmful Content	Watching or sharing content that promotes immoral values, hate or violence. Feeling the need to hide your online activities from others out of guilt.	Commit to accountability with trusted friend
Spreading misinformation and fake news	Enjoy sharing sensational and controversial headlines without verifying sources. Enjoy the attention it draws not only to the news, but to ourselves.	Commit to accountability and fact-checking before posting. Also ask the same questions – is it true, is it kind, useful, necessary or just to boost our own ego.
Cyber-bullying and Online conflicts	Receiving or sending unkind, mocking, or hostile messages. Feeling drawn into escalating arguments online.	Avoid responding to negativity, or hostile messages. Block or report abusive users and seek support if needed.
Online Predators, Gaslighting, and Grooming	Be careful of suspicious messages especially in big chat groups, gaming chat groups and other open groups where you do not know the people personally. Receiving suspicious private message from strangers asking for personal details. Strangers or people pretending to be someone else trying to build a relationship with you in a suspicious way. Being pressured into secrecy or unusual behaviour.	Never share personal information or meet online contacts without parental knowledge. A beautiful or handsome face on the internet, could really be a wicked criminal. Block contacts and report any suspicious behaviour to parents, trusted friends, or to the authorities.

Topic	Warning Signs	Action Steps
<p>Online Scams, Phishing and Privacy Concerns</p>	<p>Emails or messages promising big and unrealistic rewards. These messages often ask for urgent action. Sometimes the scammers can be smart and willing to build a relationship with the victim, lulling the victim and develop a false trust until they are ready to strike. Links from unknown senders or websites requesting you to give personal information. Sometimes just a message from an unknown website asking you to press a button, which unknown to you, gives them access to your personal details.</p>	<p>Verify sources before clicking links or sharing information. Use strong passwords. Ensure you have 2-step authentication authorization with your banks or financial institutions. Share only necessary and appropriate information with websites that are familiar to you. Even when using a banking website – save the link in your favourites and use that link when you want to access the bank. Avoid links from emails which purport to link your bank by clicking a link which they provide.</p>
<p>Addiction to Validation and Social Approval</p>	<p>Constantly checking for notifications or validation and feeling anxious or sad when posts do not receive favourable responses.</p>	<p>Take regular breaks from social media. If you do post, or make comments, make positive posts with a clear conscience that you are trying to help. If such comments or posts do not receive positive feedback, it is their loss, not yours and you do not have to feel sad about it. The Biblical view is that we should be helpful, without expecting recognition or rewards. Likewise, your post or comment was made with an intent to be helpful and you do not seek recognition.</p>

Section 2 – Understanding the Chapter

1. *What are some ways technology can be used for spiritual growth?*
Bible apps, podcasts, online Bible studies, and virtual church services are tools to deepen our faith and connect with Christian communities.
2. *Why is accountability important in digital discipleship?*
Accountability helps ensure our online behavior aligns with Biblical values and provides correction when needed.
3. *How can AI be both beneficial and harmful for Christians?*
AI can assist with education and creativity but may lead to laziness, overreliance, and ethical dilemmas.

Section 3 – Discussion Questions

1. *How can you balance using technology for spiritual growth and avoiding its distractions?*
Discussion Prompt: Share practical strategies to prioritise faith while engaging with technology.
2. *What are some ways to avoid the pitfalls of AI while embracing its benefits?*
Discussion Prompt: Explore how AI can be used ethically and responsibly.

Chapter 12. Some Areas to Watch Out for in the Human Condition

Lesson Summary

1. Loneliness:

- Loneliness can affect anyone, and is not just about being alone, but feeling disconnected or misunderstood.
- The Bible reminds us that God is with us, and we are called to create a community where no one feels left out.
- Practical ways to help include being present for others, inviting them to join activities, offering practical help, and praying for them.



Bullying is a harsh reality

2. Bullying:

- Bullying reflects the brokenness of humanity and is against God's design for love and kindness.
- It can take many forms (physical, verbal, social, or cyberbullying) and harms everyone involved.
- Christians are called to stand against bullying by being a friend, standing up for victims, promoting inclusion, and praying for change.

3. Suicide:

- Suicide reflects deep pain and hopelessness, but the Bible teaches that every life is valuable in God's eyes.
- Christians are called to compassionately support those who are struggling foster open communication, and seek professional help if needed.

4. Assisted Suicide:

- The Bible emphasizes the sanctity of life, even in suffering.
- Compassionate care, including palliative support, emotional presence, and prayer, aligns with God's design for valuing life.

Model Answers to the Student Workbook

Section 1 – Activities

Activity 1: Recognizing and Addressing Loneliness

Signs of Loneliness	How to Help
Sitting alone at lunch	Invite them to sit with your group.
Not participating in activities	Encourage them to join a club or group.
Feeling misunderstood	Listen and show empathy.

Fill in any other signs:

Section 2 – Understanding the Chapter

Comprehension Questions

1. *What does the Bible teach about bullying?*
The Bible teaches that every person is made in God's image and should be treated with love and respect. Bullying is against God's command to love others.
2. *How does the Bible affirm the value of life in relation to suicide?*
The Bible says we are fearfully and wonderfully made (Psalm 139:13-14). Life is valuable because we are created in God's image, and God is with us in our struggles.
3. *What is the Biblical response to assisted suicide?*
The Bible emphasises the sanctity of life and calls us to trust God's purposes. Compassionate care, including palliative support and prayer, reflects God's love.
4. *How can you recognize the warning signs of someone struggling with suicidal thoughts?*
Warning signs include withdrawal, talking about hopelessness, giving away possessions, or making statements like "Everyone would be better off without me."
5. *Write down some of the steps you can take if you suspect someone is struggling with thoughts of suicide:*
Step 1: Listen without judgment.
Step 2: Encourage them to talk to a trusted adult.
Step 3: Connect them with a counselor or mental health professional.
Step 4: Pray with them and remind them of God's love.

Section 3 – Discussion Questions

1. *How can you help create a community where no one feels lonely or excluded?*
Discussion Prompt: Share practical ideas for inclusion and friendship.
2. *Why is it important to seek help from trusted adults or professionals for someone struggling with suicide?*
Discussion Prompt: Reflect on the role of community and expert support.
3. *What lessons can we learn from Bible characters who experienced loneliness, like David or Elijah?*
Discussion Prompt: Discuss how their faith in God helped them through tough times.

Chapter 13. Biblical View on Sexuality

1. **Biblical View on Sexuality in God's Plan:**

- God designed sex as a sacred and beautiful gift intended for marriage between a man and a woman (Genesis 2:24).
- Boundaries protect us physically, emotionally, and spiritually. They align us with God's perfect plan.
- Respecting God's design for your body honours Him and safeguards your well-being.



Understanding boundaries

2. **Abortion in the Biblical Worldview:**

- Life is sacred and begins at conception (Psalm 139:13-16).
- Approach discussions on abortion with compassion, emphasising God's love and the value of life.
- Promote the value of for life by making wise choices and supporting alternatives such as adoption or parenting.

3. **Homosexuality in the Biblical Worldview:**

- God's design for sexuality is for marriage between a man and a woman (Genesis 2:24).
- Respond to others with compassion, kindness, and Biblical truth.
- Offer support and live out love without compromising your faith.

4. **Transgender Ideology in the Biblical Worldview:**

- Gender is part of God's intentional design, tied to biological sex (Genesis 1:27).
- Respond with compassion, acknowledging struggles without affirming ideologies that contradict Biblical truth.
- Seek support and guidance from trusted Christian mentors and God's Word.

Model Answers to the Student Workbook

Section 1 – Activity

Activity 1: Boundaries Brainstorm

Physical Boundaries

Example: Avoid compromising situations

Emotional Boundaries

Example: Avoid relationships that pressure you to compromise values

Spiritual Boundaries

Example: Pray daily for strength against temptation

Write 3 other examples of physical boundaries

Section 2 – Understanding the Chapter

1. *What is God's purpose for sexuality?*
God designed sexuality for marriage between a man and a woman to deepen the marital bond, create new life, and reflect His covenant love (Genesis 2:24).
2. *Why are boundaries important in God's plan for sexuality?*
Boundaries protect us from physical, emotional, and spiritual harm and help us honour God's design for our bodies (1 Thessalonians 4:3-4).
3. *What does the Bible say about life and abortion?*
The Bible teaches that life is sacred and begins in the womb (Psalm 139:13-16). Abortion is generally seen as taking a life, which goes against God's design.
4. *How can Christians respond to those struggling with same-sex attraction or gender identity?*
Christians should respond with compassion, treating everyone with dignity while standing firm in Biblical truth (John 3:17, Genesis 1:27).
5. *What does it mean to respect God's design for your body?*
It means honouring God by treating your body as a temple of the Holy Spirit and protecting it from harm (1 Corinthians 6:19-20).

Section 3 – Discussion Questions

1. *How can you guard your heart and body against temptation in today's culture?*
Discussion Prompt: In God's design, sex is designed for marriage between a man and a woman. Reflect on how waiting protects us and aligns with God's plan for love, commitment, and trust.
2. *How can you support someone facing an unplanned pregnancy?*
Discussion Prompt: Discuss practical ways to show compassion, share Biblical truth, and provide emotional support. Seek help from elders who can help; introduce to support organizations who help with unwanted pregnancies, and teenage pregnancies. There are church-based, or NGOs who have facilities to provide support for such pregnancies. Also seek medical advice, in case when a pregnancy can result in danger for the mother.
3. *What does it mean to you personally that your body is a temple of the Holy Spirit?*
Discussion Prompt: Share strategies for navigating peer pressure, societal norms, and media influences.
4. *How can Christians express love and kindness to someone who identifies as LGBTQ without compromising Biblical truth?*
Discussion Prompt: Explore ways to balance love, kindness, and truth in relationships and conversations.
5. *How can you trust God's design for gender and identity when society says otherwise?*
Discussion Prompt: Discuss how prayer, Scripture, and Christian mentors can help you stay grounded in Biblical truth.

Chapter 14. Biblical View on Addictions

1. Biblical View on Addictions:

- Our bodies are temples of the Holy Spirit and should honour God (1 Corinthians 6:19-20).
- Addictions, whether to substances, gaming, or pornography, harm our physical, emotional, social, and spiritual lives.
- God's strength and grace are always available to overcome addiction.



2. Addiction to Drugs and Substances:

- Addiction leads to physical, emotional, legal, and spiritual harm.
- Healthy habits, boundaries, and seeking support can prevent substance abuse.

3. Addiction to Gaming:

- Gaming can be healthy in moderation but unhealthy when it becomes an obsession.
- Balance and boundaries help maintain focus on God and responsibilities.

4. Addiction to Pornography:

- Pornography distorts God's design for sexuality and causes mental, spiritual, and relational harm.
- Overcoming addiction requires prayer, accountability, and replacing negative habits with positive ones.

Model Answers to the Student Workbook

Section 1 – Activities

Activity: Boundary Builder

Addiction Type	Boundary
Substance Abuse	Example: Say no to parties where drugs or alcohol are present.
Computer Games	Example: Set a 2-hour daily gaming limit.
Pornography	Example: Install internet filters and avoid risky websites.

Write your own examples and define the boundaries you would set.

Section 2 – Understanding the Chapter

Comprehension Questions

1. *What does the Bible teach about our bodies?*
Our bodies are temples of the Holy Spirit and should be used to honour God (1 Corinthians 6:19-20).
2. *What are some consequences of drug addiction?*
Drug addiction can lead to physical harm, emotional struggles, broken relationships, legal issues, and spiritual separation from God.
3. *How can gaming become unhealthy?*
Gaming becomes unhealthy when it consumes excessive time, causes neglect of responsibilities, or leads to isolation and addiction.
4. *What is the Biblical view on pornography?*
Pornography distorts God's design for love and intimacy, encourages sinful behaviour, and separates us from God's plan (Matthew 5:28).
5. *What are practical ways to overcome addiction?*
Seek support, set boundaries, replace negative habits with positive activities, and stay connected with God.

Section 3 – Discussion Questions

1. *Why do you think the Bible warns against addiction?*
Discussion Prompt: Explore how addiction distracts us from God's purpose and harms our physical, emotional, and spiritual health.
2. *How can peer pressure influence substance abuse or gaming addiction? Discuss strategies for resisting peer pressure.*
Discussion Prompt: Discuss strategies for resisting peer pressure and staying true to God's Word.
3. *What role does accountability play in overcoming addiction?*
Discussion Prompt: Share examples of how trusted friends or mentors can help you stay strong in your commitments.
4. *How can you use your hobbies and interests to glorify God?*
Discussion Prompt: Share your hobbies and any positive influence it has had on you.

Chapter 15. How Do Christians Respond to Difficult Questions?

The fallen nature of creation



Lesson Summary

1. Natural Disasters and Human Suffering

- **Biblical Origin of Suffering:** The world was originally created perfect, but sin entered through Adam and Eve's disobedience, bringing suffering and natural disasters (Genesis 3, Romans 8:22).
- **God's Sovereignty and Compassion:** God is in control and close to the broken-hearted (Psalm 34:18), offering comfort and hope even in suffering.
- **Redemption and Hope:** God promises a new creation without suffering (Revelation 21:4). Christians are called to respond with love, action, and trust in God's ultimate plan.

2. War and Human Suffering

- **Why War Exists:** War is a result of human sin, such as greed, pride, and selfishness (James 4:1-2).
- **God's Sovereignty and Free Will:** While humans have free will to make choices, God remains sovereign, working for good even in tragic situations (Romans 8:28).
- **Promise of Peace:** God's ultimate plan includes a world without war, fulfilled through Jesus Christ (Revelation 21:4).

3. Personal Suffering

- **Biblical Examples:** Job trusted God despite suffering, and Joseph saw God's greater purpose in his trials (Job 1:21, Genesis 50:20).
- **Purpose of Suffering:** Suffering develops perseverance, character, and hope (Romans 5:3-4).
- **Faith in Hardship:** Trust in God's timing and promises, even when you don't understand the reasons for suffering (Isaiah 55:8-9).

4. Supporting the Marginalized

- **Practical Ways to Help:** Volunteer, visit the elderly, clean public spaces, mentor children, and show kindness.
- **Reflecting Christ's Love:** Small acts of compassion reflect Jesus' love for those in need.

Section 1 – Activities

1. Cause and Effect Chart

Cause

Adam and Eve’s disobedience →
 Human greed and pride →
 Natural disasters like earthquakes →
 Greed in business – not caring for the environment →

Effect

Sin entered the world, causing suffering.
 Wars break out, leading to suffering.
 Disruption of lives and communities.
 Destruction of the environment, climate change

List other failings or sins of humankind and their consequences.

2. Scripture Search

Bible Verse

Romans 8:22 →
 Psalm 34:18 →
 Revelation 21:4 →
 Matthew 5:9 →

Teaching

Creation groans because of the fall.
 God is close to the broken-hearted.
 God will wipe away all tears and end suffering.
 Blessed are the peacemakers.

Section 2 – Understanding the Chapter

1. *What does Genesis 3 teach us about the origin of suffering?*

Genesis 3 shows that suffering entered the world because of Adam and Eve’s disobedience, which brought sin and brokenness into creation.

2. *How does Romans 8:28 give hope in times of suffering?*

Romans 8:28 reminds us that God works all things for good for those who love Him, even in difficult circumstances.

3. *What can we learn from Job’s response to suffering?*

Job trusted God and acknowledged His sovereignty, even when he did not understand the reasons for his suffering.

4. *What are practical ways teens can support marginalized people?*

Teens can volunteer at shelters, visit the elderly, tutor children, participate in community clean-ups, and show kindness to everyone.

Discussion Prompt: Discuss the role of free will, the fallen nature of creation, and God’s redemptive plan.

2. *How can Christians trust God’s sovereignty during natural disasters or war?*

Discussion Prompt: Share examples from the Bible or personal experiences of trusting God in hard times. Look at the lives of Job, or Elijah, or Jeremiah.

3. *What does it mean to be a peacemaker in today’s world?*

Discussion Prompt: Explore practical ways to promote peace and justice in your community.

4. *How can we reflect God’s love to those who are suffering?*

Discussion Prompt: Discuss how small acts of kindness can make a big difference in someone’s life.

5. *Why is it important to find support from other believers during personal suffering?*

Discussion Prompt: Share how being part of a church or youth group has helped you or someone you know.

Section 3 – Discussion Questions

1. *Why do you think God allows suffering to exist in the world?*

Chapter 16. Applying the Biblical Worldview in Everyday Life



Lesson Summary

Living out a Biblical worldview means letting your faith guide your thoughts, words, and actions daily. This includes loving others, standing for justice, forgiving, showing kindness, and being honest. Challenges will arise, but relying on prayer, Scripture, and God's strength will help you overcome them and positively impact the world.

Model Answers to the Student Workbook

Section 1 – Activities

Activity 1: Reflect and Act

1. Loving others:

a. Application:

b. Bible Reference:

c. Benefits:

d. Difficulties:

2. Advocating for Justice and Equality:

a. Application:

b. Bible Reference:

c. Benefits:

d. Difficulties:

3. Extending God's Forgiveness and Grace:

a. Application:

b. Bible Reference:

c. Benefits:

d. Difficulties:

Section 2 – Understanding the Chapter

1. *What does it mean to live out a Biblical worldview?*

Living out a Biblical worldview means letting God's truth guide your thoughts, words, and actions in daily life.

2. *Why is it important to love others as yourself?*

Jesus commanded us to love our neighbours as ourselves (Matthew 22:39), and by doing so, we reflect God's love to the world.

3. *What is the benefit of seeking wisdom and guidance from God?*
Seeking God's wisdom helps you stay on the right path, experience peace, and make decisions aligned with His will (Proverbs 3:5-6).
4. *Why is keeping good company important?*
The friends you keep can influence your choices and faith, encouraging you to grow closer to God or pulling you away from Him (Proverbs 13:20).

2. *What are some ways we can tap into the transformative power of the Holy Spirit?*
Discussion Prompt – Refer to Section 16.8 in the text book
3. *Why is keeping good company important in our Christian walk?*
Discussion Prompt – Refer to Section 16.9 in the text book.

Section 3 – Discussion Questions

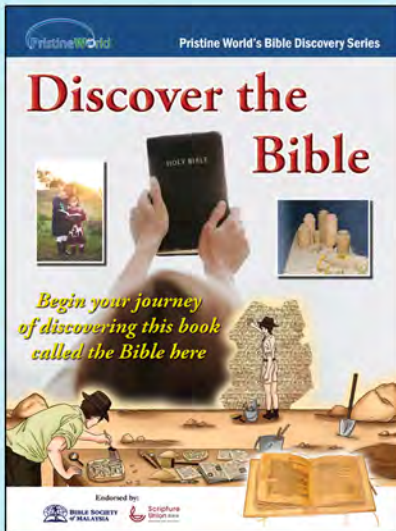
1. *Why is applying the Biblical worldview important?*

Discussion Prompt:

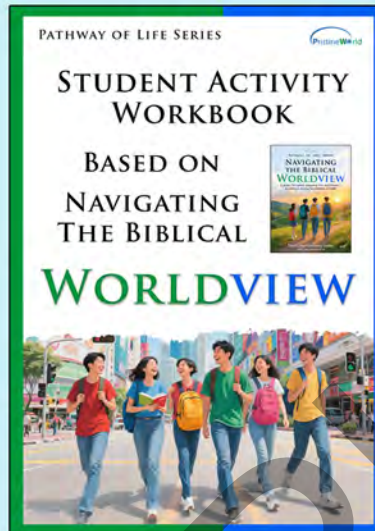
- Guidance and Direction
 - o The Bible gives us wisdom for every part of life—how to treat others, make decisions, and grow spiritually. Psalm 119:105 says, “Your word is a lamp to my feet and a light to my path.” God’s Word helps us navigate life with clarity and confidence. Regular study of God’s Word, is therefore the first step in applying the Biblical World view.
- Foundation of Truth
 - o In a world full of different ideas and beliefs, the Biblical worldview provides a solid foundation of truth. Jesus said, “I am the way and the truth and the life” (John 14:6). When we follow His truth, we are anchored, no matter what challenges come our way.
- Transformation
 - o Applying the Biblical worldview changes us to be more like Jesus. 2 Corinthians 5:17 reminds us, “If anyone is in Christ, the new creation has come: The old has gone, the new is here!”
- Witness and Impact
 - o When we live according to God’s principles, our lives show His love and grace to others. Matthew 5:16 encourages us, “Let your light shine before others, that they may see your good deeds and glorify your Father in heaven.”

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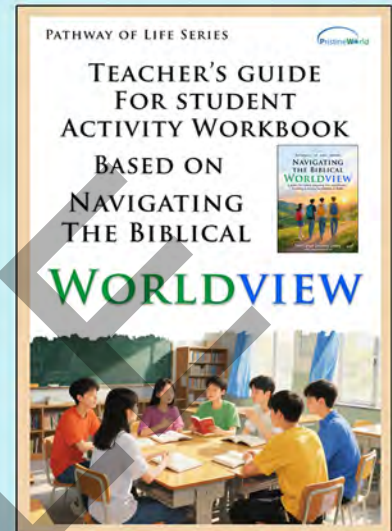
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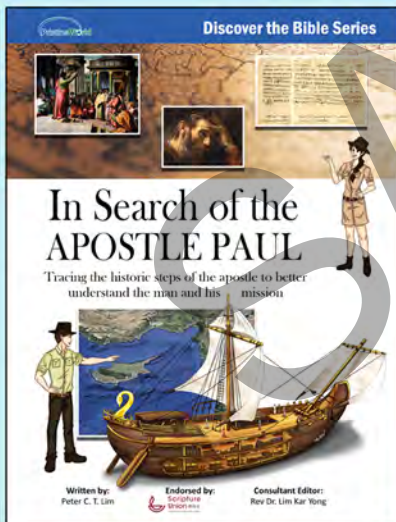
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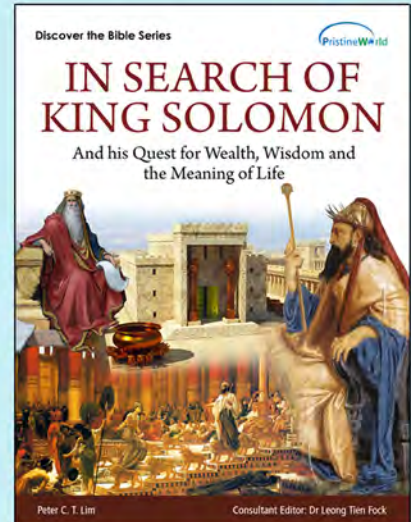
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