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TriBakery Group: Worldview #5

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Scripture:

“So Jesus stood still and called them, and said, ‘What do you want me to do for you?’”

Matthew 20:32, Mark 10:36 & 10:51, Luke 18:41

“But He kept silent and answered nothing. Again the high priest asked Him, saying to Him, ‘Are you the Christ, the Son of the blessed?’ ...But Jesus still answered nothing, so that Pilate marveled.”

Mark 14:61 & 15:5

“He was oppressed and He was afflicted, yet He opened not his mouth; He was led as a lamb to the slaughter, And as a sheep before its shearers is silent, So He opened not His mouth.”

Isaiah 53:7 & Acts 8:32

“...looking unto Jesus, the author and finisher of our faith, who for the joy that was set before Him endured the cross, despising the shame, and has sat down at the right hand of the throne of God.”

Hebrews 12:2

Remember:

Every worldview has to hold three main areas of belief:

Creation – where do we come from?

Fall – how come there is evil in the world?

Redemption – how do you correct or change the evil?

Quotes:

“...in the late nineteenth century when Darwinism crossed the Atlantic, it was welcomed to American shores by a group of scholars who founded an entire school of philosophy upon it. The school was called philosophical pragmatism, and its core message was that if life has evolved, then the human mind has evolved as well – and all the human sciences must be rebuilt on that basis: psychology, education, law, and theology.”

Nancy Pearcey, p.228, Total Truth

“...the sole test of truth is its practical consequences. Truth is, therefore, relative. When applied to religion this means that a religion or any aspect of it is not to be valued for its own sake but for its psychological and moral effects.”

Colin Brown, pp145-146, Philosophy & the Christian Faith

“If the hypothesis of God works satisfactorily in the widest sense of the word, it is true.”

William James, “Pragmatism, A New Name for Some Old Ways of Thinking”

“At its heart, pragmatism is a Darwinian view of knowledge (epistemology). The pragmatists asked, What does Darwinian naturalism mean for the way we understand the human mind? And they answered, It means the mind is nothing more than a part of nature. They rejected the older view that the human mind is transcendent to matter, in favor of the Darwinian view that mind is produced by matter.”

Nancy Pearcey, p 229, Total Truth

Discussion: