Teen Topic A Biblical Worldview (Part 3)

The question we will look at today as we think about a biblical worldview is "Who am I?" It is a simple question, but the answer will greatly impact our perspective of our world.

Who Am I?

Scripture reveals to us that we are:

- Created in God's image (Gen. 1:26-27). We have qualities that reflect our Creator, such as:
 - Intellect (we can think about things logically)
 - Morality (we can understand right from wrong)
 - A Will (we have the ability to make choices)
- Designed exactly as God desires us to be (Ps. 139:14-16; Is. 44:24). Our physical features and the abilities we have were designed and given to us by God Himself.

We are not creatures who evolved from a cosmic swamp, nor are we accidents here by mere chance. The truth is that we are individuals created by the Almighty God with unique qualities that set us apart from the rest of His creation.

Loved by the Creator

Our <u>value</u> as human beings is based in the fact that we are <u>loved</u> and <u>treasured</u> by our Creator. God not only brought us into existence, but He also redeemed us from our sin, and we remain dependent on Him (I John 3:1).

The Impact of How We View Ourselves within Our Worldview

Seeing ourselves as God sees us gives us the freedom to take our focus off <u>ourselves</u> and put it back on <u>Him</u>. There is no place for <u>self-pity</u>, just as there is no place for <u>pride</u>. We have the ability to reflect God to the world, and we must reflect Him well. We must learn to like what He likes and dislike what He dislikes. In all that we do, God must be at the <u>center</u>. Only in Him will we find the satisfaction we long for (Eph. 2:4-10; Phil. 3:8-9).