

“Mama Bear Apologetics”

Chapter 11

XII. Chapter 11 - Just Worship Something

Pluralism: “. . .refers to a society with ethnic, racial, religious, social, and ideological diversity.” (pg 186)

“Today, only 46% of Americans claim to be Christian, and only 10% of American adults say they hold to a biblical worldview.” (pg 186)

- A. No middle ground: “. . .secularism, colored with tolerance, leads to the false dichotomy that either (1) all religions are equally valid, or (2) no religion should be discussed.” (pg 187)
- B. RECOGNIZE the Message: (pg 188)
 - 1. “Our innate desire to have peace with our neighbor is a good thing-until that alters how we view truth.”
 - 2. We’re to be silent about the gospel so not to offend.
 - 3. Societal worldview has silenced Christians from sharing the gospel
- C. OFFER Discernment: “We love *people* but demolish their *ideas*.”
 - 1. Lie #1: Sincere Belief Makes Something True
 - 2. Lie #2: Doesn't Matter Who You Worship, Just That You Worship: *The object of worship matters!*
 - 3. Lie #3: All Paths Leads to God: “Jesus said to him, “*I am the way, the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through Me.*”
 - 4. Lie #4: The True Gospel Unites All People: *Peace on earth is between people and God, not between people.* See Luke 12:49-53.
- D. ARGUE for a Healthier Approach: We must know the truthfulness of salvation only through Jesus Christ.
 - 1. Be Respectful
 - 2. Don’t cave to other beliefs.
- E. REINFORCE Through Discussion, Discipleship, and Prayer:
 - 1. Give examples of opposites that cannot both be true.
 - 2. Examine the core doctrines of other religions and contrast them with Christianity.