

## To Whom it **MUST** Concern:

This Worldview Trend Chart reveals both good and bad news for America.

The bad news? At least 90% of youth from Christian homes are increasingly abandoning the Christian worldview in favor of some brand of a secular, anti-Christian worldview. We couldn't do worse if we tried. America is looking more and more like Europe, where less than 10% of the population is in Church on any given Sunday of the year. If a church does not teach its own posterity to "observe all things that I have commanded you," how can it possibly be expected to accomplish Christ's command to make disciples of all nations?

But there is also some *good* news on the **Trend Chart**! In some Christian schools students ARE in fact learning and embracing a mature biblical worldview. The question is: How are they doing this and will your school/church be one of them?

We encourage you to take at least these measures to aid in reversing the "worldview trend" as shown on this chart:

- 1. Take the PEERS Test yourself, <a href="https://worldviewcheckup.org">https://worldviewcheckup.org</a>.
- 2. Encourage the staff of your church to do the same.
- 3. Have your youth groups tested, grades 7-12.

- 4. Compare results of youth to parents to church staff to see how well you are "equipping the saints" of the next generation.
- 5. Implement the worldview study program, PILLARS.

There are only three plausible responses to the **Trend Chart**:

- 1. The data are **inaccurate** the test is somehow flawed. Other data show that our youth are doing just fine.
- 2. The data may be accurate, but the items on the test are **irrelevant** to the life of our youth or health of the Church. Based on what?
- 3. The data are accurate and highly relevant. Therefore, we must **make changes** to reverse the negative trend line in our church/school.

Unless one can substantially prove that one of the first two options is true, there is only one choice: Change.

"When principles that run against your deepest convictions begin to win the day, then battle is your calling, and peace is your sin." Abraham Kuyper (1837-1920) Prime Minister, Netherlands

