

College Prep Worldview Instruction
Summit Ministries Understanding The Times Curriculum

Grades: 9th-12th

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Day/Time:

Part One: Tuesday 9:00-10:00

Part Two: Tuesday 2:30-3:30

Class Cost: 250.00/year

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34 week Semester schedule

Required Material: Bible
Student Textbook for Understanding The Times
Student Workbook for Understanding The Times
Three Ring Binder, pens

Course Description:

The Summit Ministries Understanding The Times curriculum is a continuation of biblical worldview training, *that moves beyond in-depth study of biblical worldview*. This course is a survey of **competing world views to Christianity** and examines the ideas that these competing world views supply to current issues facing our culture. We will critically examine and compare them to Christianity and how each impact society. Prior worldview training will be a help to the student. If your student has had no prior worldview training please contact me.

This curriculum is designed to expose students to five other prominent world views vying for their allegiance (Islam, Secularism, Post-Modernism, New Spirituality, and Marxism). Through the application of critical thinking, this curriculum teaches students to effectively defend the Christian faith, when challenged. Through the integration of various media sources, the curriculum engages students to compare the Christian faith to competitors in every area of life: theology, politics, law, biology, sociology, psychology, economics and history. *Class discussion is key at this level.*

I have taught this class outside of Wisdom Builders and have thoroughly enjoyed it. ***This course is a TWO year course***, due to the level and content of reading, subjects covered and time needed for examination. We will be using source documents as part of our reading (*Communist Manifesto, Humanist Manifesto, the Quran, Bhagavad Gita, etc.*) that parents should be comfortable with. Video lectures will be shown from Summit Ministries summer conferences - high school level. Parents should also be comfortable with the class discussion regarding the application of world views to the topics of: abortion, homosexuality, naturalism,

moral relativism, pluralism, relationships, gender identity and politics. The class material is accurate and presents competing world views in their own words, so as to inform students as to potential arguments against Christianity and other falsehoods (Colossians 2:8).

The class will be given on a Semester basis (two 17-week semesters). I anticipate reading level to be increased from level 3/4, but I am again interested more in growth and application of the material than testing scores. That being said, grades will be based on class discussion, test grades and assignments given in class (these may include a scripture study, personal reflection paragraphs, outside class discussion with other individuals that will be written about infrequently). I anticipate roughly 4 hours per week of homework. I encourage family discussion of the material as a means of furthering your student's understanding of the material and its application to the life of the world around them. You can look at the material by visiting www.summit.org

About the Teacher

My single biggest passion (besides Jesus!) is to equip young people to KNOW that Christianity has the answers to life's questions and problems and to STAND alone on that knowledge if need be, in our confused culture. As ambassadors for Christ I am determined to help young men and women know that in Christ they possess the knowledge and truth to live victoriously and draw others to our Lord. And, in that knowledge, to be secure and courageous. (Colossians 2:8)

I have an undergraduate degree from Michigan State University and a Master's degree from the University of Illinois. Prior to becoming a mom, I served as a hospital administrator on Indy's south side.

I have one wonderful daughter, Grace, who has been at Wisdom Builders for 7 years and have been married to my husband Todd, for 28 years. We attend Horizon Christian Fellowship. In my spare time I enjoy cooking, reading and sports. If you wish to contact me - feel free to call or email - **I do not text nor am I on Facebook.** Blessings! Anne