

2019-2020

Biblical Worldview Instruction - Level 2

Grades 7th-8th;

Day/Time: Monday 9:00-10:00

Teacher: Anne Sheridan 460-9450 (cell)

Class Cost: \$120/Year

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24-week Trimester Schedule

Required Material: Volume 2 of the *What We Believe Series*, entitled “Who Am I and What Am I Doing Here?” (Apologia Press),

Bible Three ring binder, pens

Course Description:

Questions....everyone has them. Our kids have them, too - and they need answers.

In today’s world, our children are bombarded with suggestions/ideas/answers to the question “Who Am I?” Songs, tv, billboards, books all present **ideas**, but not all of them are true. Many are confused, some are deceptive, others are outright destructive. Today more than ever, our culture is confused about identity and what it means to be a human being. In order for our kids to understand that they **are not** their grades, or the clothes they wear, the things they own or the friends they have, **they must first understand who they are - God's Image-Bearers.**

Apologia Press has designed a four-part series entitled “What We Believe”, to help begin the adventure of biblical worldview training. The series is centered around the four relationships that God has designed: 1. our relationship with Him (Fellowship), 2.) our relationship with ourselves (Image-bearing), 3.)our relationship with each other (Servanthood), and 4.)our relationship to the creation (Stewardship). Through this series students will be introduced to the practice of discerning truth by using God’s Word as a lens through which to view the world and make sense of it. Students will be shown that **what you believe drives how you act, and that ideas have consequences.**

Class Objectives:

The second of the four part series will be covered this year - it is entitled “Who Am I And What Am I Doing Here?” In this second book, students will learn what it means to be “*fearfully and wonderfully made*” in the image of a loving God. They will begin to develop a healthy, biblical self-image and a sense of their God-given purpose. We will find biblical answers for questions related to the relationship we have with ourselves (Image-Bearing):

1. What Are We Doing Here?
2. What Will You Make of Your Life?
3. What Are You Feeding Your Mind?
4. Can You Trust Your Feelings?
5. Will You Choose Wisely?
6. How Will You Run The Race?

7. What Kind Of Fruit Are You Growing?

8. Who Do You Think You Are?

Grades/Homework

This class will not feature big assignments or a load of homework weekly. Homework should average 30-60 mins per week - reading the book and answering assigned questions. Scripture memory will be assigned. Copy fees will cover handouts given in class.

Class time will be spent engaging students in understanding and applying Christian worldview ideas, based on God's word and the themes of each chapter in the textbook. This class is for the mature middle school student who can think about ideas and draw conclusions. If your child does not like to engage in discussion, or does not yet have a grasp of basic Christian theologic concepts, this class may not be a good fit. A broad range of cultural issues is discussed, in light of God's Word. Family discussion of the material is an excellent means of furthering your child's understanding of the material and a bible will be needed for class. Grades will be based on completed homework, class participation and quizzes.

About the Teacher

I am passionate about equipping kids with the knowledge that Christianity has the answers to life's questions and they are the best answers, precisely *because* they are the answers given us by the One *who is truth*. I have taught adults and kids on the subject of apologetics for the last seven years, and specifically have taught all four levels of this series over the past five years.

I have an undergraduate degree from Michigan State University and a Master's degree from the University of Illinois. Prior to becoming a mother I served as a hospital administrator, on Indy's south side. I am looking forward to my second year as a teacher at Wisdom Builders. My passion is equipping kids to build a Biblical Worldview so that they may know **what** they believe and **why** they believe it. Young people equipped with this knowledge can effectively engage our culture for Christ. (1 Peter 3:15)

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 love reading, cooking, teaching and sports. If you wish to reach me, feel free to call or email - *I do not text*. Thanks! -Anne