Statements of Principle Regarding Cultural Issues

Affirmations for a Christian Worldview

God is

We affirm that God exists as one essence composed of three persons, He is the Creator of the heavens and the earth and He has revealed Himself in both His creation and His word. We affirm God's commands and laws are perfect for mankind to live by and form the basis for all mandates, enactments, orders or edicts to be rendered legal. We affirm God is sovereign and in control of His creation and His plan of redemption, however, He gives us the independence and consequences of free will.

We deny both the atheistic and polytheistic beliefs. We deny any legislative mandates, enactments, orders or edicts based on these beliefs and in violation of God's word are legitimate laws; they shall be considered pretended legislation.

Creation

We affirm God created Adam and Eve male and female, respectively, in His image and all humans are ancestors from these two. We affirm that God instituted marriage between a man, Adam, and a woman, Eve, at this time to be the basis for marriage and social order for all mankind.

We deny the human race evolved from lower animal kinds.

Anthropology

We affirm man is a special creation in God's image with free will and a persistent fallen nature in the flesh. Man is both a spiritual and material being. We affirm the #1 purpose of man is to glorify God in all things and enjoy Him forever. We affirm man's most precious property is his conscience. We affirm self-government is an inalienable right. We affirm evil emanates from man's fallen nature and governments of the various social spheres were ordained to restrain such evil. We affirm Man is individually responsible for his behavior.

We deny man is only a material being born tabula rasa (a blank slate). We deny the social institutions are responsible for evil. We deny civil government has the right to try and alter an individual's conscience without his knowledge and permission. We deny there are more than two genders.

Truth

We affirm truth is absolute and comes only from God. We affirm there is only one reality. We affirm truth is discoverable by everybody and non-contradictory.

We deny that truth is relative. We deny truth is a social construct.

Ethics

We affirm God's nature and character never changes and ethics emanate from these traits.

We deny ethics are relative and a creation of man based on his culture or circumstances.

Rights

We affirm that Rights are inherent and God-given and are rooted in God's having created members of the human race in His own image. The role of civil government is to protect these rights.

We deny that there are rights to material possessions such as health care, housing, food, employment, security, a living wage, education, etc.

Fairness

We affirm that fairness is openness; candor; freedom from disguise, insidiousness or prevarication; as the *fairness* of an argument. We affirm fairness also means

equality of terms; equity; as the *fairness* of a contract. We affirm fairness is fair or impartial treatment: lack of favoritism toward one side or another

We deny fairness means partial treatment for any group identified as alleged victims or the alleged oppressed at the expense of another group identified as the alleged privileged or alleged oppressors.

Role of Civil Government

We affirm that it is the role of civil government to ensure justice by protecting the inalienable rights of individuals by restraining evil. *Equality* as used by Jefferson and the rest of the Founders refers to equality of worth and affirmation of natural opportunities, not to equality of outcomes achieved by government manipulation of outcomes, opportunities, or both.

We deny that civil government should take from one citizen and give to another for any reason. We deny the legality of wealth redistribution, uniform basic income, entitlements and reparations for descendants of those wronged to be administered by civil government. This is legalized theft in violation of our inalienable rights and enslaves us to the state.

Justice

We affirm that justice is the virtue which consists in giving to everyone on an individual basis what is his due; practical conformity to the laws and to principles of rectitude in the dealings of men with each other; honesty; integrity in commerce or mutual intercourse. We affirm distributive justice belongs to magistrates or rulers, and consists in distributing to every man that right or equity which the laws and the principles of equity require; or in deciding controversies according to the laws and to principles of equity and meting out punishment where merited. We affirm commutative justice consists in fair dealing in trade and mutual intercourse between man and man.

¹ Webster, N. (2006). *Noah Webster's first edition of An American dictionary of the English language.* Anaheim, CA: Foundation for American Christian Education.

We deny justice can be meted out partially nor on a collective basis

American History/Christian Nationalism

We affirm that we have a responsibility to "enable a rising generation to understand the history and [Christian] principles of the founding of the United States in 1776 and to strive to form a more perfect Union." This requires a restoration of American education, which can only be grounded on a history of those principles that is "accurate, honest, unifying, inspiring, and ennobling." And a rediscovery of our shared identity rooted in our founding principles is the path to a renewed American unity and a confident American future." We affirm a civics curriculum is essential that provides the necessary tools for We the People, as the sovereigns, to oversee all levels of civil government and reign in overreaches; such tools will include such topics as the foundational principles found in the Organic Laws of the United States, nullification of both pretended legislation and pretended offenses, interposition, and redress for grievances, functions and responsibilities of precinct committeemen, poll watcher or poll worker, etc.

We deny that America was founded on French Enlightenment and other than a Christian worldview. We deny that the Founding Fathers were all deists, agnostics and atheists. We deny that all the Founding Fathers were Christians, however the majority of them were.

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² The President's Advisory 1776 Commission, The 1776 Report, January 2021

Christian Responses to Cultural Hot Topic Issues

Critical Theory

We affirm that all human institutions have inherent flaws due to the fallen nature of man and eternal vigilance is necessary to hold these institutions in check to protect our individual inalienable rights

We deny that the Marxist inspired Critical Theory used to criticize and destroy the institutions of Western Civilization such as traditional marriage, capitalism, Christianity, individualism and inalienable rights would provide a just and righteous culture.

Slavery

We affirm that slavery of a human being is a great evil. All of Scripture teaches this truth. Historically, Bible believing Christians have been at the forefront of the eradication of this evil.

We deny that America was founded on racism and that those living today are responsible for the sins and errors of their ancestors.

Critical Race Theory

We affirm that all lives matter including the unborn. We affirm that there is one human race and that efforts to divide us into subjective categories are a ruse to divide and conquer.

We deny that some groups of people deserve preferential treatment and others are selected for punishment. We deny that we should be judged according to our gender, race, color or group affiliation instead of by our character.

Cancel Culture

We affirm that no culture is perfect and ever achieving a utopian culture is a fantasy. We affirm America's version of Western Civilization is superior to all other cultures that affords justice and liberty for all individuals

We deny that the current attempts by cultural Marxists to destroy Western Civilization via the cancel culture agenda employing critical theory will improve conditions for anybody the cancel culture advocates believe they are helping.

Social Justice

We affirm that a just society is one that all persons are considered equal before the law regardless of race, gender, age, religion or economic status. We affirm that justice

We deny that civil government should engage in wealth redistribution for a designated group with the goal of equal outcomes compared to another group. Wealth redistribution always violates inalienable rights and in unequal portions.

Diversity

We affirm all people are different in one way or another including but not limited to knowledge, skills, maturity, morality, character, worldview, race, ethnicity, gender, age, national origin, religion, disability, sexual orientation, socioeconomic status, education, marital status, language, and physical appearance.

We deny that some of these traits won't disqualify people for certain considerations for opportunity, membership or position. We deny civil government has the authority to force fit people together outside its sphere.

Inclusivity

We affirm all individuals should be respected and valued as a child of God and treated as an individual on an individual basis.

We deny that all individuals should be included to fully participate based solely on Identity Politics that violate sphere sovereignty. We deny individualism should be subsumed into the collective of Identity Politics.

Equity

We affirm that all persons should be considered for advancement or placement based on meritocracy and other qualifying requirements regardless of race, ethnicity, marital status, age, and gender unless restricted for reasonable factors. We further affirm equity is the impartial distribution of justice, or the doing that to another which the laws of God and man, and of reason, give him a right to claim.³

We deny that quotas based on race, gender, national origin, or sexual orientation should be used to promotions or positions.

Pluralism

We affirm that each individual has an inalienable right to hold to any worldview they desire but only one worldview is true.

We deny that all worldviews are equally true and beneficial. We deny compatibility and harmony in a pluralistic society.

Environmental Justice

We affirm God gave man dominion over the Earth to be His steward in the care of the Earth and develop the resources of the Earth for his good. Private ownership and management of lands is per God's design has proven to be the best form of stewardship providing the owner does not allow pollution to spread unfairly to his neighbors.

We deny the Earth is sacred nor should it be managed and controlled in common for the arbitrary purposes of racism, diversity, inclusivity and/or sustainability as found in the United Nations' Agenda 2030. We deny climate change is an existential threat and mankind is a blight on the environment. We deny CO₂ is toxic. We deny alternative forms of energy should be subsidized by civil

³ Webster, Noah (2006). <u>American Dictionary of the English language</u>, <u>1828</u>. Chesapeake, Va: The Foundation for American Christian Education.

government and civil government should override the free market by arbitrarily raising the prices of energy.

Censorship

We affirm that freedom of speech and expression are necessary for conscience and preservation of a constitutional republic. We affirm that slanderous, malicious, and obscene speech and expression shall be restrained.

We deny that civil government and social media should be allowed to censor speech and expression their leadership disagrees with.

Socialism

We affirm that God exists, has established an ordered and moral universe, and holds humanity accountable. Absolute truths exist and are knowable. God and His laws establish the path on which men and nations must travel to attain happiness, fulfillment, and greatness, and to reach their God-given potential.

We deny socialism as a viable system of governance as it violates all of these truths.

Discrimination

We affirm that God has created human beings equal in value, and He intends for them to be treated with dignity and respect.

We deny that civil government has the authority to declare as discrimination anything that they want to and therefore force upon us their view of how we should interact.

Sexual Anarchy

We affirm that God gave mankind a loving model of marriage between one man and one woman for life. The sexual relationship is to be confined to those who are married.

We deny that children should be indoctrinated from a young age in the doctrines of "everything goes" regarding sexual behavior.

Transgenderism

We affirm "God created man in his own image, in the image of God created he him; male and female created he them." Genesis 1:27

We deny that there are more than two genders and that some are born in the wrong body or that one can change from one gender to another.

Abortion

We affirm that all life is sacred, from the moment of conception.

We deny that abortion is a right, that it's a woman's health issue, that a woman has a right to choose to destroy the life within her, or that fathers should not have say in the life of their child.

Education

We affirm that education is the responsibility of parents primarily, with the church having a secondary role. We affirm that all education is a form of discipleship into one religion or another.

We deny that responsibility for the education of children rests with the civil government. We deny that education is neutral; it is based solidly on a worldview

Soft Totalitarianism

We affirm that God created us for self-government, that is, we must govern ourselves under His government. We affirm that liberty exists in proportion to Christian self-government. We affirm that the best form of government is republican government with fixed, equally applied laws, representation, divided and separated powers, a written constitution, and limited, delegated powers of civil governments.

We deny that man is best controlled by his fellow man via civil government. We deny that civil government should be top down rather than bottom up. We deny that a society is more just with the increase of laws and regulations. The validity of non-Biblical government, whether called socialism, communism, fascism, democratic socialism, or progressivism. We deny that any governmental form besides a republic will bring about a relative order, prosperity and peace.