

10 Reasons to Learn the Biblical Worldview

(Biblically Interpret Your Discipline; Learn the Biblical Principles of Your Subject)

1. God commands it. *And be not conformed to this world: but be ye transformed by the renewing of your mind, that ye may prove what is that good, and acceptable, and perfect, will of God.* (Romans 12:2) *Casting down imaginations, and every high thing that exalts itself against the knowledge of God, and bringing into captivity every thought to the obedience of Christ.* (2 Cor. 10:5)
2. We must seek the truth. *Buy the **truth**, and sell it not; also wisdom, and instruction, and understanding.* (Proverbs 23:23) The truth has always been, and always will be, under assault. *Promote student's dialogical thinking- the ability to understand things from multiple viewpoints and to appreciate diversity. Promote student's dialectical thinking- the understanding that what is "true" now may not be true in the future and may not have been true in the past.* (How to Teach the Other 3 Rs, Association for Supervision and Curriculum Development)
3. We must know it in order to fulfill the mission and vision of our school. The vision of ASCS is to develop leaders who are passionate in their Christian faith, and are equipped academically and biblically to impact the world for Christ.
4. We must interpret our lives and the world correctly, and therefore come to sound conclusions. *Judge not according to the appearance, but judge righteous judgment.* (John 7:24) *Do ye not know that the saints shall **judge** the **world**? and if the **world** shall be **judged** by you, are ye unworthy to **judge** the smallest matters?* (1 Cor. 6:2) The supreme end of education is expert discernment in all things...The power to tell the good from the bad, the genuine from the counterfeit, and to prefer the good and genuine from the bad and counterfeit. (Samuel Johnson)
5. We need to understand that all "subjects" (math, history, government, psychology, sociology, English, literature, economics, science, art, geography, law, philosophy, etc.) are an attempt to explain the world and knowledge that God created. In order to be understood correctly, their presuppositions and principles must be Biblical. *In whom are hid all the treasures of wisdom and knowledge.* (Colossians 2:3)
6. It is imperative to pass the Biblical world and life view to the next generation. *We will not hide them from their children, showing to the*

generation to come the praises of the LORD, and his strength, and his wonderful works that he hath done. For he established a testimony in Jacob, and appointed a law in Israel, which he commanded our fathers, that they should make them known to their children: That the generation to come might know them, even the children which should be born; who should arise and declare them to their children: That they might set their hope in God, and not forget the works of God, but keep his commandments: And might not be as their fathers, a stubborn and rebellious generation; a generation that set not their heart aright, and whose spirit was not steadfast with God. (Psalm 78:4-8)

“Who is the young person you are shaping for Christ? This is your reason for being!” (George Barna)

7. We must equip ourselves for the battle that we are in as believers. *And I looked, and rose up, and said unto the nobles, and to the rulers, and to the rest of the people, Be not ye afraid of them: remember the LORD, which is great and terrible, and **fight** for **your** brethren, **your** sons, and **your** daughters, **your** wives, and **your** houses. (Nehemiah 4:14)*
8. We must not allow ourselves to be taken captive by the enemy. *Beware lest any man spoil you through philosophy and vain deceit, after the tradition of men, after the rudiments of the world, and not after Christ. (Colossians 2:8)*
On the contrary, we need to defeat the enemy and release the prisoners of war. (Dennis Peacocke)
9. We are called to be “salt and light” (Matthew 4:13-14) and good stewards (Genesis 1:28) of the institutions of the family, church, voluntary associations and civil governments.
10. We are called to help open blind eyes. *In whom the god of this world hath blinded the minds of them which believe not, lest the light of the glorious gospel of Christ, who is the image of God, should shine unto them. (2 Cor. 4:4)*
11. We are to continually grow in the Lord. *All scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness: That the man of God may be perfect, thoroughly furnished unto all good works. (2 Timothy 3:16-17)*

How Do I Learn It?

1. Study the Scriptures as they relate to your subject.
2. Read works of BWV teachers.
3. Listen/ Watch teachings from BWV thinkers: CD, DVD, live and in person.