

## What in our nation is happening?

By Clifford Lones

The basic problem in viewing the trend in culture is looking at society through one issue after another. We see the trees but we don't look at the forest. There are the abortion issue, the homosexual issue, the issue of sexual predators, the re-writing of American history, the evolution controversy, and many other day-by-day issues we hear about from the media and elsewhere. We have failed to look at the many issues in their totality; that is, the shift in people's worldview — the total overall way people think.

American culture was founded upon the Judeo-Christian worldview, and this worldview remained influential until after the Second World War in the late 1940s. People's worldview gradually changed in the '50s, then dramatically changed in the '60s and following. Worldview shifted from the reality of the existence of a personal God who holds people and nations accountable for His righteous laws within a personal responsibility to Him; to a worldview that reality is no more than impersonal matter and energy, and that man is the measure of all things; that nothing is fixed, but relevant to the changing developments of man's ideas. This is the humanistic worldview.

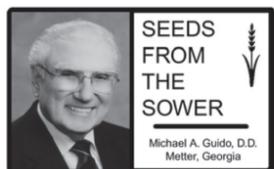
Worldviews, whether Judeo-Christian or humanistic, have sociological and governmental results, especially in civil laws. The humanistic worldview has been around a long time, but began its infiltration into our colleges and universities in the late 19<sup>th</sup> Century and gained almost complete control in the 20<sup>th</sup> Century. Darwin's evolution theory, the communistic system, and the humanistic manifesto were anti-God and totally materialistic, and captivated the minds of some in academia. Under the guise of "academic freedom," humanism infiltrated and took control of American's educational system and then in turn denied academic freedom to those who held to a Judeo-Christian worldview.

From the universities, humanism gradually filtered out into the whole educational system, institutions, government, courts, etc. and has now dominated American culture. The development of movies, television, the news media, and the internet gave humanism the means to propagandize itself throughout American culture. The humanistic worldview has changed laws, ruled laws unconstitutional, affected America's political system, all because its viewpoint is totally materialistic, and man is the measure of all things. Many rulings of the U.S. Supreme Court in the last 60 years reflect the effects of humanism. Actually, most people now believe that our country has had a secular society and culture from its beginning. Though this is not true, the emphasis of separation of church and state in the last 60 years has allowed humanism to dominate our culture and to completely deny any elements of the Judeo-Christian culture to have any bearing upon American society.

Therefore, we now have no fixed standards for morals, ethics, laws, right and wrong, etc. With humanism dominating the total culture, culture will constantly be changing in accordance with what fits humankind at the moment. Abortion, euthanasia, homosexuality, dissolution of marriage, anti-war, sexual perversion, re-writing history, polygamy, state run child development centers, stem cell use, and on and on, society will be in a constant flux.

Humanism, with no standards, will bring about a total breakdown of society, which will produce anarchy. Anarchy will demand strong control by the government, democracy will cease to exist, and freedoms will diminish. Humanism will usher in socialism.

Without an inner heart belief in a sovereign God of justice who has revealed a standard of conduct for people and nations, and who will hold people and nations accountable for His laws, the inevitable result is tyrannical rule by the few (elite) who make up the government, in order to hold a society together. The Judeo-Christian culture has produced and maintained the greatest and freest nation on earth for over 200 years, but with the now dominance of humanism, this nation will fall apart from within in all areas. As in socialism, there will develop three classes of people — the rulers, the enforcers, and the workers. Humanism will take away individual meaning and purpose for living. •



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"I always practice what I preach," he answered. Not everyone does.

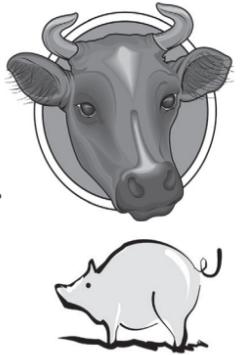
If you give good advice, you build with one hand. If you give good advice and a good example, you build with both hands. But if you give good advice and a poor example, you build with one hand and tear down with the other.

So the Bible says, "Set an example for the believers in speech, in life, in love, in faith, and in purity."

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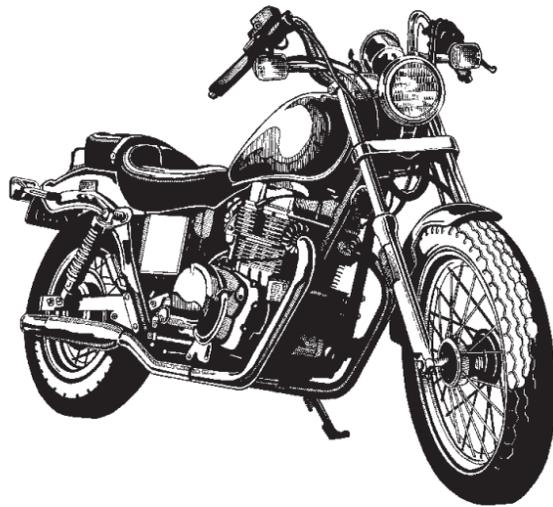
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