FOR SUCH A TIME AS THIS How to Overcome the Darkness by Living in the Light

THE WAR OF THE WORLDVIEWS

Romans 12:2

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Worldview is the intellectual and emotional lens through which we experience, interpret, and respond to the world.

Do you see the world through the lens of Scripture or culture?

And do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind, that you may prove what the will of God is, that which is good and acceptable and perfect. Romans 12:2

1. There is an ongoing war between the world and the Word.

- A. The world works to <u>conform</u> us to an <u>anti-Christian culture</u>. We know that we are of God, and the whole world lies in the power of the evil one. 1 John 5:19
- B. The Word works to <u>transform</u> us to the <u>image of Christ</u>.

2. There is a tragic development in the war of the worldviews.

- A. 10% of all Americans have a biblical worldview.
- B. <u>25</u>% of theological conservatives have a biblical worldview.
- C. <u>16</u>% of people 50 and older have a biblical worldview.
- D. <u>4</u>% of people between 18-30 have a biblical worldview. Then Joshua the son of Nun, the servant of the LORD, died at the age of one hundred and ten. And all that generation also were gathered to their fathers; and there arose another generation after them who did not know the LORD, nor yet the work which He had done for Israel. Judges 2:8, 10

3. There is a call to all Christians to stand up for Jesus.

- A. Do we really believe the Bible is the Word of God?
- B. Are we really serious about <u>living out the Word of God</u>?

I urge you therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God, to present your bodies a living and holy sacrifice, acceptable to God, which is your spiritual service of worship. Romans 12:1

C. Are we really serious about <u>passing on the faith to our kids</u>? "Only give heed to yourself and keep your soul diligently, lest you forget the things which your eyes have seen, and lest they depart from your heart all the days of your life; but make them known to your sons and your grandsons. Remember the day you stood before the LORD your God at Horeb, when the LORD said to me, 'Assemble the people to Me, that I may let them hear My words so they may learn to fear Me all the days they live on the earth, and that they may teach their children.'" Deuteronomy 4:9-10

In the war of worldviews, heaven and hell hang in the balance.