

# How to Live as Christians in a Woke Culture

You Asked For It | Week 5

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## What is "Woke Culture?"

**Definition:** *A modern worldview that seeks to redefine truth, identity, morality, and justice apart from God, making personal autonomy and cultural consensus the ultimate authority rather than Scripture.*

## Five Areas of Difference

### 1. Truth & Morality

**Question:** Who determines truth?

#### **Woke View**

- Truth is shaped by personal experience.
- Morality changes with culture.
- "Your truth" and "my truth."

#### **Biblical View**

- God defines truth.
- Truth is objective and unchanging.
- Scripture is our authority.

#### **Key Verses**

Jesus said to him, "I am **the way**, and **the truth** and **the life**. No one comes to the Father except through me." John 14:6

John 17:17

### 2. Identity

**Question:** Who am I?

#### **Woke View**

- Identity is self-created.
- Individuals determine who they are.

#### **Biblical View**

- God is our Creator.
- Our identity is found in Christ.

#### **Key Verses**

"So God created man in his own image, in the image of God he created them." Genesis 1:27

Galatians 2:20

## **3. Justice**

**Question:** What is justice?

### **Woke View**

- Justice is defined primarily by social systems and equity.

### **Biblical View**

- Justice reflects God's character.
- Christians defend the vulnerable while walking humbly with God.

### **Key Verses**

Micah 6:8; Isaiah 1:17; Proverbs 31:8-9

## **4. Tolerance & Inclusion**

**Question:** How do we love people without affirming every belief?

### **Woke View**

- Love requires affirmation.

### **Biblical View**

- We love every person because they bear God's image.
- Love does not celebrate falsehood—it rejoices in the truth.

### **Key Verse**

- 1 Corinthians 13:4-7

**You can tolerate a person's beliefs without affirming them.**

## **5. Human Flourishing**

**Question:** What leads to the good life?

### **Woke View**

- Freedom, autonomy, and self-expression.

### **Biblical View**

- True flourishing comes through surrender, holiness, and obedience to Christ.

### **Key Verses**

Matthew 5:3-12; 1 Peter 3:10-12

## **How Should Christians Respond?**

### **1. Know the Truth**

"Then you will know the truth..." Truth must shape our worldview—not culture.

### **2. Speak the Truth in Love**

#### **Ephesians 4:15**

Truth without love becomes harsh. Love without truth becomes compromise.

**Jesus was full of both grace and truth.** (*John 1:14*)

### **3. Avoid Fruitless Arguments**

#### **2 Timothy 2:23-26**

- Be gentle.
- Be patient.
- Correct with humility.
- Trust God to change hearts.

