

A person stands on a dark horizon line, looking out over a vast landscape under a teal and blue sky. The person is silhouetted against the light sky. The background shows a distant horizon with some low hills or mountains.

# The Call

How do you see the world?

How does the world see you?

How do you see God?

How does God see you?

How should we live in light of these four questions?



# Christ and the Community

*(developing a biblical worldview)*

Christ and Calling

Christ and Character

Christ and Competence



# Lens #1: 4 Important “Contents” for Evangelical Christians

## 1. Conversion

Nurture verses Decision

Confirmation and Continuance  
versus Conversion

Repentance and Faith

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# Lens #1: 4 Important “Contents” for Evangelical Christians

## 2. Action

*Our Faith is Personal, but not Private*

Expression

Proclamation

Application



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## 3. Biblically Based

The Bible

The Church Fathers & Leaders

Friends & current Spiritual Leaders

Yourself

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# Lens #1: 4 Important “Contents” for Evangelical Christians

## 4. Centrality of the Cross

All roads in the Bible lead to the  
Cross

- The death, burial and resurrection

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# Lens #2: 4 Realities in Living Out the Gospel

## 1. Sound Doctrine

Sound Doctrine should lead to the Practice of Truth

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## 2. Honest Answers for Honest Questions:

Should lead to - practicing TRUTH



# Anatomy of Doubting

A person is standing on a dark, flat horizon line, looking out over a vast, teal-tinted sky. The person is silhouetted against the lighter sky. The overall mood is contemplative and somber.

- Crisis in Life
- You begin to question life and God
- Doubting occurs
  - Discouragement
  - Disappointment
  - Anger
  - Bitterness
  - Despair

# Anatomy of Doubting



- Christianity is Truth
  - Truth God has given us
  - And if it is truth, it can answer tough questions
- But Answers are not Salvation
  - Two Extremes
    - Believe Everything
    - Question Everything

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## 3. Biblical Spirituality

*Holy Spirit Infused Life*

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# Lens #2: 4 Realities in Living Out the Gospel

## 4. The Beauty of Good Human Relationships

“They will know we are Christians by our love”



Without...

Sound Doctrine

Confusion

Honest Questions

Legalism/Doubting

Biblical Spirituality

Hypocrisy/Emotionalism

Good Relationships

Division

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With...

Sound Doctrine

Direction/Truth

Honest Questions

Understanding/Faith

Biblical Spirituality

Devotion to God

Good Relationships

A True Example



Acts 8:36-37 (page 777)



Acts 10:47 (page 779)





Acts 21:10-14 (page 788)



Acts 26:28-29 (page 793)



Acts 28:31 (page 795)



Does anything  
hinder you?