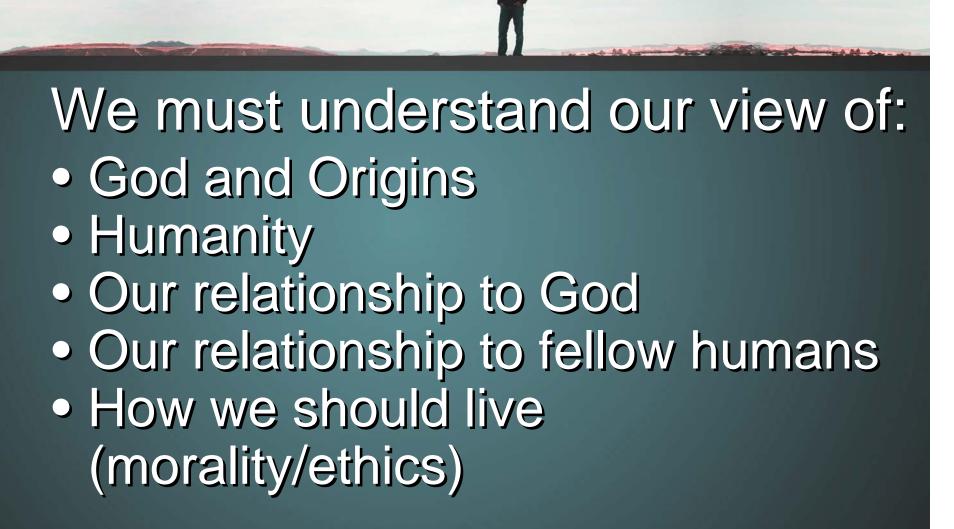
The Call Part 3 • How do I view the world? Worldview How does the world view me? **Character** How does God view me? Calling How do I view God? **Spiritual Formation**



Christian Worldview



How does God view us?

How we think God views us?

Eusebius – 4th Century

Concept of a dualistic view of walking with Christ.



 The Perfect Life The Clergy, Nuns, Monastics, Holy Orders, the Counsel of Perfection, Celibacy



2. The Permitted Life Farmers, Workers, Skilled Craftsmen, Soldiers, Marriages



Sacred/Secular Supernatural/Natural Spiritual/Physical Called by God/Not Called by God Celibacy/Marriage Literate/Illiterate



No the Work of the Ministry / Commune with God

Lower Story

Watch the Work of the Ministry/Watch Spiritual experiences

There is no dualism with Christ/God

No Male or Female No Rich or Poor No Slave or Free No Greek or Jew

Protestants spoke out against dualism

The Priesthood of all believers.

There was dignity in work.



Over time work began to be more important than devotion to God.

We became devoted to our work instead of God.

What is Christian Calling?

There is:

A Caller Someone called A Statement (a calling) A Response



The Primary Call
 Our primary calling as
 followers of Christ is by him, to
 him, and for him –
 The Audience of One



2. The Secondary Call Our secondary calling, considering who God is as sovereign, is that everyone, everywhere, and in everything I should think, speak, live and act entirely for Him.

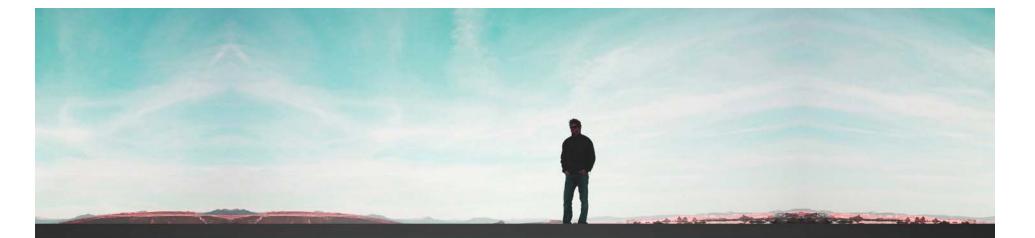
Who I Am Before God is the primary call.

Singular – Every Christian has this call.



What I do with my life is the Secondary call.

Varied – Each Christian has a different call to work and ministry.



"I humbly submit that you can serve both God and your work."

Said to William Wilberforce

The Disciples were called by Jesus in two ways:

1. They were called to Christ

Come Follow Me

Matthew 4:18-20 (page 683)

The Disciples were called by Jesus in two ways:

2. They were called to do something

And I will make you fishers of men.

Matthew 4:18-20 (page 683)

Luke 3:12-14 (page 726)

Tax Collectors were called to collect fairly.

Soldiers were called to treat people fairly without extortion, be content, no false accusations.

Luke 19:1-9 (page 743)

Zacchaeus the tax collector was to stay in his business but infuse it with a biblical ethic.

John 21:19-22 (page 770)

Jesus says one final time to Peter.

Come follow me.



The mixing of three very important aspects of our Christian lives occurred. Work Worship and Play (recreation/rest)



We now:

Work at our play, play at our worship, and worship our work.