

God Demonstrates His Glory

There are primarily 2 ways in which God is viewed in the world.

From the Secular perspective

Or the Biblical perspective.

And as we shall see this morning, the majority of the world and even the majority of the Christian church views God from a secular perspective.

What do I mean by secular

Secular comes from Anglo-French *seculer* and Late Latin *saecularis*, meaning "worldly" or "pagan."

1: an **ecclesiastic** (as a diocesan priest) not bound by monastic vows or rules : a member of the secular clergy

2: **layman**

R.C. Sproul said one occasion, it meant "outside the temple"

A Secular mindset has man at its center.

God is subservient to the needs and rights of man.

Man is the center of his universe.

God exist for Man

To see this fleshed out in a more practical way in our Christian world or more specifically our theological, diadactic and doctrinal beliefs would mean.

A secular mind would view God as

1. Reactionary rather than Determinative
2. Servant rather than King
3. Dependent rather than Sufficient
4. Observational rather than Predictable
5. Love rather than Judge
6. Frustrated rather than Fulfilled
7. Lonely rather than Trinitarian
8. Forgiving rather than Judgmental
9. Man has a right to the gospel
10. God has done man wrong if he doesn't get a chance to believe
11. Man has a right to live
12. God has do wrong to allow evil
13. God owes all men forgiveness
14. God is so loving he will forgive all men.

I Fully expect to find this kind of thinking in the world. After
all the Bible says clearly

2 Co 4:4

the god of this world has blinded the minds of the unbelievers,
to keep them from seeing the light of the gospel of the glory of
Christ, who is the image of God.

Jn 12:40

⁴⁰ “He has blinded their eyes
and hardened their heart,
lest they see with their eyes,
and understand with their heart, and turn,

Jn 3:19–20

loved the darkness rather than the light because their works were evil. ²⁰ For everyone who does wicked things hates the light and does not come to the light,

But what is sad and should not be the case is that you should find a secular mind in the Church.

We have the truth. We have Self Revelation of God in the Word of God.

Our minds and hearts should be permeated and saturation with His Word so that every root and every rotten fruit of a secular view of God is removed.

We should be thoroughly Biblical

When This Biblical mindset is compromised, and or set aside for a more secular view

God becomes minimal and man becomes Major.

Ro 1:21–23

²¹ For although they knew God, they did not honor him as God or give thanks to him, but they became futile in their thinking, and their foolish hearts were darkened. ²² Claiming to be wise, they became fools, ²³ and exchanged the glory of the immortal God for images resembling mortal man

This is why the majority of the church today has a theology that is man centered and not God centered.

This why you can have a theology like:

1. **Openness of God** - denies that God knows the future
2. **Arminianism-**
 1. Denies the Sovereignty of God in Salvation
 2. Makes God a reactor to mans self originated faith rather than a God who gives Faith.
 3. Makes God a victim of ruthless men as he watches helplessly an men kill His Son
 4. Makes God a helpless bystander in the call of men to Christ.
 5. Makes God the victim of sin, that has the power to undo the Salvation that he paid for completely
 6. Makes the future turn on the will of man rather than the will of God.
3. **To have a book** and then a movie to be produced called the Shack that is a Blasphemy

The Shack is not exception. The movie version of the book *The Shack* will be in theaters starting this Friday. Anyone who has a minuscule modicum of discernment knows that this movie is full of heresies, the primary one being a blasphemous illustration of the Trinity.

In *The Shack* we see all three members of the Godhead taking on form—God the Father as Papa, God the Son as Jesus, and God the Holy Spirit as Sarayu. In the film, all three roles are depicted by human actors. In this way, Young gives form to God the Son who actually took form, but also to the

immaterial Father and Holy Spirit who did not and will not take form. Giving form to the immaterial is the very transgression forbidden in the second commandment.

.....encounters manifestations of the three persons of the **Trinity**. **God the Father** takes the form of an **African American** woman who calls herself Elousia and Papa; **Jesus Christ** is a Middle-Eastern **carpenter**; and the **Holy Spirit** physically manifests as an Asian woman named Sarayu.

4 Michael Gungor is a musician in the Contemporary Christian Music (CCM) band, Gungor. He has been noted for denying the Genesis account (**Source**) and working with Rob Bell (**Source**). Recently, he has made statements on his Twitter attacking Penal Substitutionary Atonement, the belief that Jesus died on the cross in our place. he started out by rebuking musicians who sing about this doctrine (Which is essentially the Gospel), referring to it as, “a Father murdering his son.”

He continued to assault the Gospel, calling Substitutionary Atonement “horrific” and stating “It’s the most evil view of God that it is possible to have.”

Thru this secular mindset in the church. The Glory of God is systematically being dismantled.... Brick by brick the temple that contains the Glory of God is removed.

When they are finished, we will have No God, but simply a figment of the secular mind.

What I want you to understand is The Supreme, Ultimate and eternal purpose of all that is is for the Glory of God.

God does not exist for you, You exist for God's Glory
You are alive because God gets glory from your life
Your Salvation is not for you, but for God's Glory
If you never hear a presentation of the gospel,
it will ultimately be for His Glory.
If you die in unbelief and spend eternity in Hell, it will be for
His Glory

Is 48:11

¹¹ For my own sake, for my own sake, I do it,
for how should my name be profaned?
My glory I will not give to another.

Je 13:11

¹¹ For as the loincloth clings to the waist of a man, so I made
the whole house of Israel and the whole house of Judah cling
to me, declares the Lord, that they might be for me a people,
a name, a praise, and a glory,

Eph 1:5–6

⁵ he predestined us for adoption to himself as sons through
Jesus Christ, according to the purpose of his will, ⁶ to the
praise of his glorious grace,

Eph 1:12

¹² so that we who were the first to hope in Christ might be to the praise of his glory.

Eph 1:13–14

Holy Spirit, ¹⁴ who is the guarantee of our inheritance until we acquire possession of it, to the praise of his glory.

Php 2:9–11

⁹ Therefore God has highly exalted him and bestowed on him the name that is above every name, ¹⁰ so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, ¹¹ and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

From the past eternal decrees of God in predestination to the future eternal enjoyment of our inheritance in the age to come, God's goal and purpose has been that his glory be praised, especially the glory of his grace.

Most secular critics of the faith see the living of the faith as a hardship that stifles humanity and lead to unhappy and unfulfilled lives. They see us shackled by dogmas that limit us and confine our search for truth and greater self actualization and development.

Lesson

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Romans 3:21

²¹ But now the righteousness of God ***has been manifested*** apart from the law, although the Law and the Prophets bear witness to it— ²² the righteousness of God through faith in Jesus Christ for all who believe. For there is no distinction: ²³ for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God, ²⁴ and are justified by his grace as a gift, through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus, ²⁵ whom God **put forward** as a propitiation by his blood, to be received by faith. **This was to show** God's righteousness, because in his divine forbearance he had passed over former sins. ²⁶ **It was to show** his righteousness at the present time, so that he might be just and the justifier of the one who has faith in Jesus.

Roman 5:6

⁶ For while we were still weak, at the right time Christ died for the ungodly. ⁷ For one will scarcely die for a righteous person

—though perhaps for a good person one would dare even to die— ⁸ **but God shows** his love for us in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us. ⁹ Since, therefore, we have now been justified by his blood, much more shall we be saved by him from the wrath of God. ¹⁰ For if while we were enemies we were reconciled to God by the death of his Son, much more, now that we are reconciled, shall we be saved by his life. ¹¹

Romans 9:17

¹⁷ For the Scripture says to Pharaoh, “For this very purpose I have raised you up, **that I might show** my power in you, and that my name might be proclaimed in all the earth.” ¹⁸ So then he has mercy on whomever he wills, and he hardens whomever he wills.

¹⁹ You will say to me then, “Why does he still find fault? For who can resist his will?” ²⁰ But who are you, O man, to answer back to God? Will what is molded say to its molder, “Why have you made me like this?” ²¹ Has the potter no right over the clay, to make out of the same lump one vessel for honorable use and another for dishonorable use? ²² What if God, **desiring to show** his wrath and **to make known** his power, has endured with much patience vessels of wrath prepared for destruction, ²³ in order **to make known** the riches of his glory for vessels of mercy, which he has prepared beforehand for glory—

has been manifested

God put forward

This was to show

It was to show

⁸ but God shows

that I might show

desiring to show

to make known

Romans 3:21

²¹ But now the righteousness of God **has been manifested** apart from the law,

Original Word: φανερώω

Transliteration: phaneroó

Phonetic Spelling: (fan-er-o'-o)

Definition: I make clear (visible, manifest), make known.

5319 *phaneróō* (from **5457** /*phōs*, "light") – properly, illumine, make *manifest* (*visible*); (figuratively) make plain, in *open* view; to become apparent ("graspable").

5319 /*phaneróō* ("**become manifest**") in **1 Jn 3:2**

1 Jn 3:2: "Beloved, now we are children of God, and it has not appeared as yet what we will be. We know that *if* (Gk *ean*) He *becomes manifest* (**5319** /*phaneróō*), we will be like Him, because (*hoti*) we will see Him *just as* (Gk *kathōs*) He is."

Romans 3:24..

Christ Jesus, ²⁵ whom God **put forward** as a propitiation by his blood,

protithémi: to set before, i.e. propose

Original Word: προτίθεμαι

Transliteration: protithémi

Phonetic Spelling: (prot-ith'-em-ahee)

Definition: I purpose, design beforehand, determine.

Cognate: **4388** *protíthēmai* (from **4253** /*pró*, "towards" and **5087** /*títhēmi*, "to place, set") – properly, to place before, setting forth in advance to achieve a particular *purpose*.

[**4388** /*protíthēmai* ("to purpose") is the root of **4286** /*próthesis* ("God's *providence*, eternal *purpose*), see *NAS dictionary* and *Zodhiates Dictionary*.]

Romans 3:25

This was to show God's righteousness,

Romans 3:26

²⁶ **It was to show** his righteousness

endeixis: a pointing out or indication, a proof

Original Word: ἔνδειξις, εως, ἡ

Transliteration: endeixis

Phonetic Spelling: (en'-dike-sis)

Definition: a showing, proof, demonstration, sign, token.

Cognate: **1732** *éndeiksis* (a feminine noun) – (a brand of) *display*, emphasizing the *character* of the demonstration which is made *obvious* (*undeniable, conspicuous*). See **1731** (*endeiknymi*).

Romans 5:8

⁸ **but God shows** his love for us in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us.

sunistémi and sunistanó: to commend, establish, stand near, consist

Original Word: συνίστημι, συνιστάνω

Part of Speech: Verb

Transliteration: sunistémi and sunistanó

Phonetic Spelling: (soon-is-tah'-o)

Definition: I place together, commend, prove, exhibit; intrans: I stand with; I am composed of, cohere.

4921 *synistáō* (from **4862** /*sýn*, "union, together *with*" and **2476** /*hístēmi*, "to stand") – properly, "stand together," referring to facts "lining up" with each other to *support* (*commend*) something.

2. to set one with another i. e. by way of presenting or introducing him, i. e. **to commend**

3. to put together by way of composition or combination, to teach by combining and comparing, hence, **to show, prove, establish, exhibit**

Romans 9:17

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²² What if God, **desiring to show** his wrath

endeiknumi: to indicate (by word or act), to prove

Original Word: ἐνδείκνυμι

Part of Speech: Verb

Transliteration: endeiknumi

Phonetic Spelling: (en-dike'-noo-mee)

Short Definition: I show forth

Definition: I show forth, prove.

HELPS Word-studies

1731 *endeíknymi* (from **1722** /*en* "in," which intensifies **1166** /*deiknýō*, "show") – properly, to make fully evident, showing *conspicuous proof* which

demonstrates something as *undeniable*. The prefix 1722 (*en*) adds the dimension of "abiding *condition*" making the "showing forth" on "open *display*" for all to see, i.e. *obvious* so "no one could miss it."

1731 /*endeíknymi* ("undeniably display") always occurs in the Greek *middle* voice which underlines the high level of personal interest shown by the one making something *very evident*.

[Such displaying then is always *done with high personal involvement* and sense of advantage.]

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gnórizó: to come to know, to make known

Original Word: γνωρίζω

Part of Speech: Verb

Transliteration: gnórizó

Phonetic Spelling: (gno-rid'-zo)

Short Definition: I make known, declare, know

Definition: I make known, declare, know, discover.

NAS Exhaustive Concordance

Word Origin

from *ginóskó*

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Strange statement

1. Pagan, Unbelievers has a warped view of God
So men tend to think wrong of God

They conclude wrongly

1. because he has not judged, he wont judge
2. Because he has always forgiven, he always will
3. God is Love so he looks past your sins
4. God is not Just, or he would have judged

So since God does not immediately Judge sin
We Believe God to be different than He is . SO We Rob
him of his GLORY.

SO THE CROSS IS A DEMONSTRATION OF THE
CORRECT VIEW OF GOD.