

SYLLABUS

Course Name: Lightbearers
Grade Level: 8th grade
Length: Two semesters One period per day
Teacher: Mr. Gene Wilson
Required Text: Lightbearers Summit Ministries

Course Description: This course is a video-based curriculum for designed to help students clearly understand the tenets of the Christian worldview, and how they compare to the tenets of the leading humanistic worldviews of our day. Students will learn how to apply their Christian faith to every area of life: theology, philosophy, ethics, biology, sociology, psychology, law, politics, economics, and history.

Course Objectives:

1. Students will see the big picture of how everyone tries to make sense out of life. A person's worldview determines how they interpret and respond to everything.
2. Students will explore how the Bible provides answers to all of life's most important questions.
3. Students will be shown ideas have consequences.
4. Students will be made aware that there is an ongoing battle over which ideas will dominate. They will learn to think correctly and be able to influence other people.
5. Students will be taught to be defensive: to keep them from being deceived by anti-Christian worldviews.
6. Students will be taught to be offensive: to train them to live out the truth of Christianity in their culture.

Content/Timeline Outline:

1. Introduction to Worldviews
2. God
3. Philosophy and Science
4. Ethics and Moral Relativism
5. Creation and Evolution
6. Psychology
7. Sociology
8. Law and Justice
9. Government and Politics
10. The Environment and Ecology
11. History
12. Faith

Resource Material: Lightbearers (Teacher's Manual)
Lightbearers (Student Workbook)
Lightbearers (DVD series)
How to Be Your Own Selfish Pig by Susan Schaeffer McCauley
My Truth, Your Truth, Whose Truth? Discovering Absolutes in a
Relative World
Handouts from online articles

Assessment: Quizzes
Tests
Homework
Classwork
Online projects
Reports
PowerPoint presentations