

RAMPANT TODAY

FULL OBEDIENCE required

NO RIVALS allowed, especially Christianity.

YOUNG PEOPLE abandoning their belief in a providential God who calls us to a high moral standard. I am my truth!

NEW RELIGION: SECULARISM?

Separation of religious institutions from state institutions and a public sphere where religion may participate, but not dominate.

<u>Psalm 10:4</u> - The wicked in his proud countenance does not seek *God*; God *is* in none of his thoughts.

Freedom to practice one's faith or belief without harming others, or to change it or not have one, according to one's own conscience.

Equality so that our religious beliefs or lack of them doesn't put any of us at an advantage or a disadvantage.

<u>John 8:32</u> - And you shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free."

WE ARE AT WAR!!!

Two belief systems vying for our soul and the soul of our nation.

The Secular Religion is the belief in self

"the truth that suits me"

"self-invented person"

love to impose their "truths" on others, who must also take their "truths" as "true."

"culture of self-invention."

"it's my right ... to invent myself, so my will determines the truth for me at all levels of life."

What is destroying the moral and spiritual foundation of today's society?

.. Secularization generally held that religious ideas, institutions, and interpretations have lost their social significance. People liked the idea of a secular society and a secular government. But in terms of moral values and ethics, they never checked into the internal assumptions of secularization that made it wide open to almost any view on any subject. Beginning in the 1960s, the moods of secularization ultimately led to society's loss of shame.

Ravi Zacharias

EVIDENCE
OF
SECULARISM
IN
CHURCH

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They preach only what is popular and avoid what is culturally controversial.

Premarital sex and cohabitation between unmarried couples are normalized.

Most young people have normalized alternate forms of family and marriage.

2 Timothy 4 (NKJV)

4 I charge you [a] therefore before God and the Lord Jesus Christ, who will judge the living and the dead bat His appearing and His kingdom: ² Preach the word! Be ready in season and out of season. Convince, rebuke, exhort, with all longsuffering and teaching. ³ For the time will come when they will not endure sound doctrine, but according to their own desires, because they have itching ears, they will heap up for themselves teachers; ⁴ and they will turn their ears away from the truth, and be turned aside to fables. ⁵ But you be watchful in all things, endure afflictions, do the work of an evangelist, fulfill your ministry.

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The church supports the values of the surrounding/present culture more than the teaching of Scripture.

The congregation supports a culture of entertainment more than biblical discipleship. They also support a culture of opulent greed and narcissism instead of sacrifice and giving.

Jesus is only presented as a personal Saviour rather than Lord of all.

Genesis 2:24-25

"Therefore a man shall leave his father and his mother and hold fast to his wife, and they shall become one flesh. And the man and his wife were both naked and were not ashamed."

Matthew 16 v 26

For what profit is it to a man if he gains the whole world, and loses his own soul? Or what will a man give in exchange for his soul?

We must be clever in how we deliver the gospel, NOT COMPROMISE THE MESSAGE!

Genesis 5 v 2 (NKJV)

² He created them male and female, and blessed them and called them Mankind in the day they were created.

Agender Androgyne Androgynous Bigender Cis Cisgender Cis Female Cis Male Cis Man Cis Woman Cisgender Female Cisgender Male Cisgender Man Cisgender Woman Female to Male FTM Gender Fluid Gender

Trans Person Trans* Person Trans Woman Trans* Woman Transfeminine Transgender Transgender Female Transgender Male Transgender Man Transgender Person Transgender Woman Transmasculine Transsexual Transsexual Female

Gender Variant Genderqueer Intersex Male to Female MTF Neither **Neutrois** Non-binary Other Pangender Trans Trans* Trans Female Trans* Female Trans Male Trans* Male

Transsexual Male
Transsexual Man
Transsexual Person
Transsexual Woman
Two-Spirit
Nonconforming
Gender
QuestioningTrans
Man
Trans* Man

Secularism is a belief system that rejects religion, or the belief that religion should not be part of the affairs of the state or part of public education. The principles of separation of church and state and of keeping religion out of the public school system is just one example of secularism.

Rev 19: 16 – And He has on His robe and on His thigh a name written:

KING OF KINGS AND LORD OF LORDS

Romans 12 v 2

And do not be conformed (compliant, act according to prevailing standards) to this world, BUT be transformed by the renewing of your mind, that you may prove what is the good, acceptable and perfect will of God.