

Three Ways of Thinking/Living

1. Natural Person (person without Christ)
2. Spiritual Person (professed Christian) still thinking Naturally
3. Spiritual Person (Authentic Christian submitting to Christ, His Word, and the leadership of The Holy Spirit)

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Purpose of Life	I want to be happy and successful, and I love people who help me experience these things.	I want to be a good person and always give credit to God. I want to help others if I can and love my family well.	I belong to God and my life is His. Therefore, I want to bring glory to Him in all things and submit fully to His will so that others see His presence in My life as I enjoy His goodness.
Sex	Sex is a powerful human need. Therefore, as long as it involves consenting adults, each person should experiment and experience the sexual relationships that they feel most fulfills their life.	This world is so sexually perverted. I am glad I'm not like that. But when it comes to me and my girlfriend/boyfriend/fiancé, it's different. We love each other, we're not involved with other people, and we're probably going to get married.	Sex is an incredible gift given by God to me and my spouse, or future spouse. Therefore, there is no place for sex in my life until I am in a covenant marriage relationship with my husband or wife. If I am married, my spouse alone should be the sole recipient of my sexual affection and attention.
Gender	Humans are complex and therefore have the right and power to choose to identify as whatever gender they feel most fully expresses their true identity, regardless of their biological sex at birth.	Some people are crazy and confused. I'm glad I'm not like that. Heaven forbid one of my kids tell me they want to "choose a different gender!"	God's word clearly says that He creates humans male and female. It is His decision. There is no distinction in Scripture between the biological bodies God gives us in the womb and our gender. Individuals that are confused and struggling with their gender identity deserve respect, compassion, and the truth of the gospel. They do not benefit from redefining what God has established.
Marriage	When two people, regardless of sex, decide they want to commit to one another and reach some form of covenant or contract, it's beneficial as long as all parties are happy and fulfilled.	I love my spouse and hope we make it all the way. If we don't it's not like divorce is the unforgivable sin. Sometimes people fall out of love and grow apart. God wants us to be happy, so when the happiness is gone it might be time to move on.	Second to my salvation, God's provision of my spouse is a display of His grace and goodness. When I join my life to my husband or wife, I exist as an individual no more. Our bond is physical, sexual, emotional, and spiritual. My purpose is to honor my vow, serve my spouse, and allow the journey of our marriage to sanctify us to be more like Christ and display His power to others.

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Parenting	Kids are great! They are pure and wonderful and come into this world with so much potential for good. It is the world that corrupts them, so my job is to protect them and then let them chart their own course wherever their heart may lead.	Parents are crazy these days. Kids must be loved and disciplined but you cannot shove Jesus down their throat. I work hard to give my kids the stuff I did not have, and I hope they find happiness.	My children belong to The Lord. I have been given the privilege of shaping their hearts to see the greatness and goodness of God. Following Jesus in front of them and honoring His Word in our family puts my children in the best position to believe upon Christ for salvation. They are sinners who need to repent and place their faith in Christ for salvation. If they come to know Christ, I want to help launch them into His service within the Kingdom no matter the cost or sacrifice He may require.
Money	Get all you can, enjoy most of it, and give some away if you want to.	I work hard to earn my money and I do so to provide for my family. When I can, after I've taken care of my wants and needs, I give some to the church and some charities I believe in.	My money is not mine; it is the Lord's. He provides so that I can care for my family and support His kingdom. After I tithe to His work, make wise decisions for my family, and help others in need, I can then enjoy a portion of His wealth in my life.
Fear / Worry / Anxiety	We all get stressed out, anxious, and worrisome. So I tend to loosen up with a drink, a night out, or just try to get away from it all.	When I get overwhelmed, I'll break down and pray about it sometimes. I will also talk to my pastor or my friend who is a good listener. That usually helps me feel better.	Feeling fear, anxiety, or experiencing worry are real emotions, but they do not change the truth of God's protection in my life. I recognize that when these feelings come, it is a faith issue not a circumstance issue. My daily walk with Christ and the spiritual disciplines of my life are my greatest tools against worry and fear.
Missions / Gospel	All religions have their main beliefs. I am mostly interested in my happiness, so I don't feel qualified or called to try to tell others how to live or what to believe.	People need the Lord. I'm glad I have Him. I'm glad I come from a Christian family. I'm glad my preacher preaches the gospel and my church sends teams. I give when I can, and my kid went on a mission trip last summer. I feel like I share the gospel with the way I live.	I have been redeemed by the blood of Christ. I have been invited to join God in His mission to see others saved. So, I have no choice but to leverage my life for His mission of making disciples of all nations. I'm consistently praying for my friends and family, asking God to give me the courage to speak when He opens the door. Just like I enjoy time on vacation and traveling, I've made it a priority to spend some of my time and money helping my church get the gospel to people who do not have it. I've also told the Lord that I will support any of my children fully should they be called to go to the nations on a permanent basis.
Church	If religious people want to go to church and it makes them feel better, then good for them. I don't need organized religion to connect with God.	Church is where I go to get my blessing and encouragement. I also like my kids to be around positive influences. When our schedule allows, we are almost always at church because I love all the stuff they do for my family.	When Christ saved me, He made me a part of His body. The church is my spiritual family and I know I cannot fully experience the gospel on my own. My brothers and sisters belong to me and I belong to them. Just as I am committed to my marriage and family, I am bound to my church family. Even my gifts, talents, abilities, and resources are given that I may strengthen my church family as we seek to serve Christ together and encourage one another.