

### **Evangelical Pastors with a biblical world view**

**Senior Pastors** 37%

**Associate Pastors** 28%

**Teaching Pastors** 13%

Children & Youth 12%

#### "Berna Research"

A Biblical Worldview is an overarching view of the world based on God's revealed truth, the Bible, which directs our life in this world.

A biblical worldview shapes our beliefs about God, Creation, Humanity, Moral Order, and Purpose: God – To whom or what do I ultimately answer?

### Judges 21:25 NIV

## In those days Israel had no king; everyone did as they saw fit.

This is an issue we have today without absolute authority

It is what we feel to be right which is of importance

When we try as Christians today to bring the authority of the bible in to play we are accused as being bigots

A society that is based on feelings over absolutes is in danger of collapsing because no one is going to yield their opinion to someone else

This thinking started in the mid 20<sup>th</sup> century with the advent of Post Modernism which began to break down absolutes

#### **Genesis 3:1,5**

1 Now the serpent was more crafty than any other beast of the field that the LORD God had made.

He said to the woman, "Did God actually say, 'You shall not eat of any tree in the garden'?"

<sup>5</sup> For God knows that when you eat of it your eyes will be opened, and you will be like God, knowing good and evil."

# **Total Depravity**

Total depravity is the fallen state of human beings as a result of original sin. The doctrine of total depravity asserts that people are, as a result of the fall, not inclined or even able to love God wholly with heart, mind, and strength, but rather are inclined by nature to serve their own will and desires and reject his rule.

This does not mean we are depraved such as a serial killer

But we were separated by the original sin of Adam

We are all born sinners and can only come back to God by accepting the substitutionary death of Jesus

It is God who prompts us through the Holy Spirit, and it is the choice of man whether he accepts Gods invite and it is through the indwelling of the Holy Spirit we are able to align with God