

Wide Angle – Why does it matter what I believe?

1. Different ways of looking at the world = worldviews/philosophies of life

- ‘The one with the most toys wins.’ - _____
- ‘If it feels good, do it.’ - _____
- ‘Whatever works for you.’ _____
- ‘I have to do whatever is best for me.’ - _____
- ‘There probably is no God, now stop worrying and enjoy your life’

_____ and _____

‘Love God, and love your neighbour as yourself’ -

2. Myths about what you believe

- The _____ myth
- The _____ myth

3. Why is it important what you believe?

- It can save you from _____

Matthew 7:24-27 NLT ‘Anyone who listens to my teaching and follows it is wise, like a person who builds a house on solid rock. But anyone who hears my teaching and doesn’t obey it is foolish, like a person who builds a house on sand. When the rains and floods come and the winds beat against that house, it will collapse with a mighty crash.’

- It can bring you lots of _____

Psalm 1:2-3 CEV ‘the Law of the LORD makes them happy, and they think about it day and night. ³They are like trees growing beside a stream, trees that produce fruit in season and always have leaves. Those people succeed in everything they do.’

4. How can you believe the right stuff?

- _____ the truth

Proverbs 2:3-4 NLT Cry out for insight, and ask for understanding. ⁴Search for them as you would for silver; seek them like hidden treasures.

- _____ what you hear

Acts 17:11 NLT ‘And the people of Berea were more open-minded than those in Thessalonica, and they listened eagerly to Paul’s message. They searched the Scriptures day after day to see if Paul and Silas were teaching the truth.’

- _____ the example of others

1 Corinthians 6:10 NIV ‘Now these things occurred as examples to keep us from setting our hearts on evil things as they did.

- _____ the ultimate test of what’s true

John 14:6 NLT ‘Jesus told him, “I am the way, the truth, and the life.”’

_____ it out

John 8:31-32 NIV ‘Jesus said, ‘If you hold to my teaching, you are really my disciples. ³²Then you will know the truth, and the truth will set you free.’