

Defending the Faith

NCBC Equipping Class - Week 10

The Path to the Present

- Jean-Jacques Rousseau: The particular object of my confessions is to make known **my inner self**, ... all I need do, as I have done up until now, is to **look inside myself**. *Confessions*
- Friedrich Nietzsche: **God is dead**. God remains dead. And **we have killed him**... There has never been a greater deed; and whoever is born after us – for the sake of this deed he will belong to a higher history than all history hitherto. *The Gay Science / The Parable of the Madman*
- Karl Marx: **Man makes religion**, religion does not make man... Religion is the sigh of the oppressed creature, the heart of a heartless world and the soul of soulless conditions. It is the opium of the people. *A Contribution to the Critique of Hegel's Philosophy of Right*
- Oscar Wilde: The only way to get rid of a temptation is to **yield to it**. *The Picture of Dorian Gray*

| Category | Christian Worldview | LGBTQ+ |
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| God/Revelation | Ultimate Authority | |
| Humanity | Made in God's image | |
| Sin | Original sin | |
| Redemption | Gospel / Repentance | |
| Community | Church | |