#### **SCOTTSDALE CHRISTIAN ACADEMY**

# Teach LIKE A DISCIPLE







The mission of Scottsdale Christian Academy is to maximize the God-given potential of each student, preparing them to live lives of distinction, by impacting the world for Jesus Christ.

# The Great Commission

#### IS TO MAKE DISCIPLES OF ALL NATIONS

<sup>18</sup> And Jesus came and said to them, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. <sup>19</sup> Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, <sup>20</sup> teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you. And behold, I am with you always, to the end of the age."

Matthew 28:18-20

#### **BIBLICAL INTEGRATION**

The purpose of Biblical integration is to help students to think biblically, critically and courageously about every aspect of their lives.

Simply stated, biblical integration is taking a lesson objective and/or a life lesson and teaching it from a Christian perspective in school and in our personal lives.

Good integration happens when students view a subject the way God does and sees how this understanding impacts them personally as well as society at large.

#### **BIBLICAL INTEGRATION OF CURRICULUM**

Since we believe that the Bible is applicable to all of life, the Scriptures are integrated into every subject taught at Scottsdale Christian Academy.

Bible: The Bible is taught as an absolute truth, as God's Holy Word given to us to guide us each and every day in all we say and do.

**History:** The students learn about the World and America's Christian heritage and how God has worked throughout all of history for His own purposes.

Language Arts: The main purpose is to be able to learn and share God's Word through reading and writing. Creativity and expression through language are seen as gifts from God to be used for His greater glory.

Math: Math is an opportunity to show that there is order in God's world as the children learn the progression of numbers and the concepts of time, measurement, and mathematical functions.

Music: The Bible tells us to "make a joyful noise unto the Lord." The students sing hymns and praise songs as part of daily opening exercises.

**Physical Education:** As students grow in stature, their motor skills are continually being developed through indoor and outdoor physical activities, as we remember that our bodies are the temple of the Holy Spirit.

**Science:** The students learn that God has a plan for each one of us and for everything that is in His world. The natural sciences are seen as examples of God's infinite wisdom and creative power. "All Scripture is God-breathed and is useful for teaching, rebuking, correcting and training in righteousness" 2 Timothy 3:16

#### **BIBLICAL WORLDVIEW UNDERSTANDINGS**

Biblical worldview understandings are those connections between the pieces of your personal life and God's larger frame of reference (5 Pillars).

When teachers help make the connections between the parts of life and scripture, the "bits and pieces" of their lives take on a personal and spiritual meaning. When teachers connect these understandings, the doors open wide for some of the greatest spiritual adventures in our students' lives.

When you look up the definition of worldview in the dictionary, you find something like this. A worldview is the way someone thinks about the world. That really doesn't help one understand this very powerful concept.

Other terms have been used in the past when talking about what is commonly referred to as worldview.

Authors Mitchell and Lambert refer to the concept of worldview this way.

Every kind of teaching and learning is based upon and oriented by a shared vision of life.

Richard Wright states that a worldview is,

A comprehensive framework of beliefs that helps us to interpret what we see and experience and also gives us direction in the choices that we make as we live out our days.

In Kingdom Education, by Dr. Glen Schultz, he defines worldview as:

A system of beliefs that drives all of one's actions and attitudes in life.

Finally, Christian Overman, Think Again! defines worldview this way.

A worldview is a person's mental concept of the "big picture" of reality, as shaped by conscious beliefs or subconscious assumptions about God, Creation, Humanity, Moral Order and Purpose.

The life, death, and resurrection of Christ lie at the center of human history.

God is the all-powerful and all-knowing Creator of the universe and He still rules it today

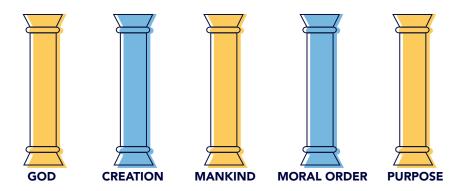
Salvation is a gift from God and cannot be earned through works

Satan is real, and the effects of sin stain every part of God's good Creation.

Followers of Christ are empowered by the Holy Spirit to demonstrate and declare the gospel.

The Bible is the living Word of God that is never failing.

#### Five Pillars of the Christian Faith





## THE NATURE, CHARACTER AND ROLE OF GOD

#### God is a divine being with intelligence, emotion and free will.

Isaiah 1:18 Come now, and let us reason together, says the Lord; Isaiah 65:19 I will rejoice in Jerusalem, and joy in My people; Psalms 115:3 But our God is in heaven; He does whatever He pleases.

#### God is omnipotent, omniscient, and omnipresent.

Luke 8:17 For nothing is secret that will not be revealed, nor anything hidden that will not be known and come to light; Psalms 139:8 Where can I go from Your Spirit? Or where can I flee from Your presence? If I ascend into heaven, You are there; If I make my bed in hell, behold, You are there; Psalms 115:3 But our God is in heaven; He does whatever He pleases.

#### God is sovereign over all things.

Acts 10:36 He is Lord of all; Job 12:23 He makes nations great, and destroys them; He enlarges nations, and guides them.

#### God communicates with mankind.

**Gen. 1:9-10** Then the Lord God called to Adam and said to him, "Where are you?" So he said, "I heard Your voice in the garden, and I was afraid because I was naked; and I hid myself."

#### God is faultless in judgment.

**Ps. 89:14** Righteousness and justice are the foundation of Your throne; Mercy and truth go before Your face; **Rev. 15:3** Great and marvelous are Your works, Lord God Almighty! Just and true are Your ways, O King of the saints!

#### God is merciful and just.

**Ps. 25:6** Remember, O Lord, Your tender mercies and Your loving kindnesses, for they are from of old; **Ps. 33:5** He loves righteousness and justice; The earth is full of the goodness of the Lord.



#### God is perfect in every respect.

**Deut. 32:3-5** For I proclaim the name of the Lord: Ascribe greatness to our God. He is the Rock, His work is perfect; For all His ways are justice, a God of truth and without injustice; righteous and upright is He.

#### God is entirely good and holy, having no evil elements whatsoever.

Matt. 19:7 No one is good but One, that is, God; I John. 1:5 God is light and in Him is no darkness at all.

#### God is present and involved in every aspect of each person's life.

Matt. 10:29-31 Are not two sparrows sold for a copper coin? And not one of them falls to the ground apart from your Father's will. But the very hairs of your head are all numbered. Do not fear therefore; you are of more value than many sparrows.

# Creation

# WHAT HAS BEEN CREATED AND SUSTAINED BY GOD

#### All things have been created by God and are sustained by God.

Gen. 1 And God said, "Let there be...and there was..." John. 1:3 All things were made through Him, and without Him nothing was made that was made. Col. 1:16-17 All things were created through Him and for Him. And He is before all things, and in Him all things consist (hold together); Heb. 1:2-3... through whom also He made the worlds...and upholding all things by the word of His power.

## The realm of creation ultimately belongs entirely to God. The earth is the Lord's and everything in it. The world and all his people belong to Him.

**Ps. 24:1** The earth is the Lord's and all it contains; **Ps. 103:19** The Lord has established His throne in heaven, and His kingdom rules over all; **Acts 17:24-28** God, who made the world and everything in it, since He is Lord of heaven and earth, does not dwell in temples made with hands. Nor is He worshiped with men's hands, as though He needed anything, since He gives to all life, breath, and all things, for in Him we live and move and have our being.

### The created realm includes both physical and spiritual realities, earth and heaven, visible and invisible.

Col. 1:16 For by Him all things were created that are in heaven and that are on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or principalities or powers. Il Cor. 4:18 For the things which are seen are temporary, but the things which are not seen are eternal; Rom. 1:20 For since the creation of the world His invisible attributes are clearly seen, being understood by the things that are made, even His eternal power and Godhead.

#### Creation has been corrupted by sin since the Fall of mankind.

**Gen. 3:17** Then to Adam He said, "Because you have heeded the voice of your wife, and have eaten from the tree of which I commanded you, saying, 'You shall not eat of it': cursed is the ground for your sake."; **Rom. 5:12** Therefore, just as through one man sin entered the world, and death through sin, and thus death spread to all men, because all sinned.



#### Creation has never been forsaken by God, in spite of the Fall.

Gen. 3:21 (after the Fall) ...for Adam and his wife the Lord God made tunics of skin, and clothed them; John 3:17 For God did not send His Son into the world to condemn the world, but that the world through Him might be saved. Rom. 8:19-21 For the earnest expectation of the creation eagerly waits for the revealing of the sons of God. For the creation was subjected to futility, not willingly, but because of Him who subjected it in hope; because the creation itself also will be delivered from the bondage of corruption into the glorious liberty of the children of God.

## The earth and the universe will someday be fully restored by God to their perfect condition, and His redeemed people will dwell in an earthly holy city called the "New Jerusalem."

Rev. 21:1-2; 23-24 And I [John] saw a new heaven and a new earth, for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away. Also there was no more sea. Then I, John, saw the holy city, New Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband...And the city had no need of the sun or of the moon to shine in it, for the glory of God illuminated it, and the Lamb is its light. And the nations of those who are saved shall walk in its light, and the kings of the earth bring their glory and honor into it.

# Mankind

# WHO AND WHAT HUMANS ARE

#### Humans were created by God's choice and design

Gen. 1:26 Then God said, "Let Us make man in Our image, according to Our likeness."

### Man and woman were uniquely created in his likeness and the image of God for His glory.

**Gen. 1:26-28** Then God said, "Let Us make man in Our image, according to Our likeness; let them have dominion over the fish of the sea, over the birds of the air, and over the cattle, over all the earth and over every creeping thing that creeps on the earth." So God created man in His own image; in the image of God He created him; male and female He created them. Then God blessed them, and God said to them, "Be fruitful and multiply; fill the earth and subdue it; have dominion over the fish of the sea, over the birds of the air, and over every living thing that moves on the earth."

#### People are separated from God through sin.

Gen. 3:22-24 Then the LORD God said, 'Behold, the man has become like one of us, to know good and evil. And now, lest he put out his hand and take also of the tree of life, and eat, and live forever' therefore the Lord God sent him out of the garden of Eden to till the ground from which he was taken. So He drove out the man; Isa. 59:2 But your iniquities have separated you from your God; and your sins have hidden His face from you, so that He will not hear.

#### Humans can be restored to a right relationship with God only through Christ.

John 3:14-15 As Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, even so must the Son of Man be lifted up, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have eternal life. Rom. 5:1, 2, 19 Having been justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom also we have access by faith into this grace in which we stand. For as by one man's disobedience many were made sinners, so also by one Man's obedience many will be made righteous.



### Humans experience physical death, followed by eternal fellowship with God or an eternal separation from Him.

Matt. 25:32-34; 41 All the nations will be gathered before Him, and He will separate them one from another, as a shepherd divides his sheep from the goats. And He will set the sheep on His right hand, but the goats on the left. Then the King will say to those on His right hand, 'Come, you blessed of My Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world. Then He will also say to those on the left hand, 'Depart from Me, you cursed, into the everlasting fire prepared for the devil and his angels.

### People have been given gifts by God for the purpose of building the body of Christ, and blessing all humanity.

I Cor. 12:4-7 There are diversities of gifts, but the same Spirit. There are differences of ministries, but the same Lord. And there are diversities of activities, but it is the same God who works all in all. But the manifestation of the Spirit is given to each one for the profit of all.

### All believers in Christ have the Holy Spirit dwelling within them, who empowers them to live a godly life.

I Cor. 12:13 For by one Spirit we were all baptized into one body whether Jews or Greeks, whether slaves or free and have all been made to drink into one Spirit. I Jn. 4:4 He who is in you is greater than he who is in the world. Acts 1:8 But you shall receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you shall be witnesses to Me in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the end of the earth."

# Moral Order

# MORAL BEHAVIOR AND RESPONSIBILITY

#### Moral order is ordained by God, not invented by humans.

Ex. 20:1-3 And God spoke all these words, saying: 'I am the Lord your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of bondage. You shall have no other gods before me.; Isa. 55:8 'For My thoughts are not your thoughts, Nor are your ways My ways,' says the Lord. Deut. 10:12 What does the Lord your God require of you, but to fear the Lord your God, to walk in all His ways.

#### The moral order of God is non-optional and non-negotiable.

Deut. 10:12-13 what does the Lord your God require of you, but to fear the Lord your God, to walk in all His ways and to love Him, to serve the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul, and with all your strength. Ps. 119:151-152 You are near, O Lord, and all Your commandments are truth. Concerning Your testimonies, I have known of old that You have founded them forever. The Lord spoke to Moses, saying, 'Speak to the children of Israel, saying: "If a person sins unintentionally against any of the commandments of the Lord in anything which ought not to be done, and does any of them, if the anointed priest sins, bringing guilt on the people, then let him offer to the Lord for his sin which he has sinned a young bull without blemish as a sin offering."

#### Moral order, when violated, results in consequences.

I Cor. 15:21-22 by man came death... For as in Adam all die...; Gen. 3:16-19 To the woman He said: "I will greatly multiply your sorrow and your conception; In pain you shall bring forth children. Then to Adam He said," Cursed is the ground for your sake; In toil you shall eat of it all the days of your life. Both thorns and thistles it shall bring forth for you, and you shall eat the herb of the field. In the sweat of your face you shall eat bread till you return to the ground.; Rom. 5:12 by one man sin entered into the world, and death by sin; and so death passed upon all men.

#### There is evidence of moral order through biblical examples of good and evil.

I Cor. 10:1-6 I do not want you to be unaware that all our fathers were under the cloud, all passed through the sea...But with most of them God was not well pleased, for their bodies were scattered in the wilderness. Now these things became our examples, to the intent that we should not lust after evil things as they also lusted; II Tim. 3:16 All Scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness.

#### God's moral standards apply to all people of all cultures in equal measure.

Rom. 1:18-20; 28-32 For the wrath of God is revealed from heaven against all ungodliness and unrighteousness of men, who suppress the truth in unrighteousness, because what may be known of God is manifest in them, for God has shown it to them. For since the creation of the world His invisible attributes are clearly seen, being understood by the things that are made, even His eternal power and Godhead, so that they are without excuse... And even as they did not like to retain God in their knowledge, God gave them over to a debased mind, to do those things which are not fitting; being filled with all unrighteousness, sexual immorality, wickedness, covetousness, maliciousness; full of envy, murder, strife, deceit, evil-mindedness; they are whisperers, backbiters, haters of God, violent, proud, boasters, inventors of evil things, disobedient to parents, undiscerning, untrustworthy, unloving, unforgiving, unmerciful; who, knowing the righteous judgment of God, that those who practice such things are deserving of death, not only do the same but also approve of those who practice them.

## The two foremost responsibilities that humans have are to love the Lord with all their heart, mind and strength, and to love their neighbors as themselves.

Matt. 22:36-40 'Teacher, which is the great commandment in the law?' Jesus said to him, 'You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your mind. This is the first and great commandment. And the second is like it: You shall love your neighbor as yourself. On these two commandments hang all the Law and the Prophets.'

#### Sin is disobedience of God's moral order.

Ex. 20:20 And Moses said to the people, 'Do not fear; for God has come to test you, and that His fear may be before you, so that you may not sin.' Lev. 4:1-3 Now the Lord spoke to Moses, saying, 'Speak to the children of Israel, saying: "If a person sins unintentionally against any of the commandments of the Lord in anything which ought not to be done, and does any of them, if the anointed priest sins, bringing guilt on the people, then let him offer to the Lord for his sin which he has sinned a young bull without blemish as a sin offering."

# Purpose

# THE INTENTION OR MEANING OF ALL THAT EXISTS

### The First Commission God gave to mankind was that of dominion and stewardship over the earth.

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#### The will of God is to be done on earth as it is in heaven.

Luke 11:2 So Jesus said to them, 'When you pray, say: Our Father in heaven, Your kingdom come. Your will be done on earth as it is in heaven.' Matt. 28:18-20 And Jesus came and spoke to them, saying, 'All authority has been given to Me in heaven and on earth. Go therefore and make disciples of all the nations teaching them to observe all things that I have commanded you.

### An identity of believers in Christ is to be the "salt of the earth" and "light of the world."

Matt. 5:13-16 You are the salt of the earth; but if the salt loses its flavor, how shall it be seasoned? It is then good for nothing but to be thrown out and trampled underfoot by men. You are the light of the world. A city that is set on a hill cannot be hidden. Nor do they light a lamp and put it under a basket, but on a lampstand, and it gives light to all who are in the house. Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works and glorify your Father in heaven.

#### The purpose for all things centers in Christ. Created for Him, through Him.

Col. 1:16-18 For by him were all things created, that are in heaven, and that are in earth, visible and invisible, whether they be thrones, or dominions, or principalities, or powers: all things were created by him, and for him: and he is before all things, and by him all things consist. And he is the head of the body, the church: who is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead; that in all things he might have the preeminence. Rev. 4:11 Thou art worthy, O Lord, to receive glory and honor and power: for thou hast created all things, and for thy pleasure they are and were created.

#### The Great Commission continues until Christ returns.

Matt. 28:18-20 And Jesus came and spoke to them, saying, 'All authority has been given to Me in heaven and on earth. Go therefore and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all things that I have commanded you; and lo, I am with you always, even to the end of the age.'

### God seeks to do His will on earth as it is in heaven, and by His grace, He will work through redeemed people to bring His light to every sphere of life.

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#### There is a mission planned by God for each person.

Ecc. 3:1-2 To everything there is a season, a time for every purpose under heaven: A time to be born, and a time to die. Il Pet. 3:9 The Lord is not slack concerning His promise, as some count slackness, but is longsuffering toward us, not willing that any should perish but that all should come to repentance.

#### **BIBLICAL TRUTHS IN MATHEMATICS**

Biblical Christian mathematics describes the wonders of God's creation and in so doing it reveals the invisible attributes of God.

- Describing the wonders of God's creation through mathematics.
- The laws of logic are universal because they reflect the nature and decree of the living God, who upholds the universe.
- Infinity exists in the mind of God because He is omniscient, eternal, and infinite Himself
- God created the world/universe with mathematical structure.
- Numbers reflects God's triune nature. Numbers are eternal as His trinity is eternal.

#### God's concern about numbers.

- God cares about numbers. He knows them all; He has recorded many for our information (a) Genealogies with some ages give, (b) records with numerical details, (c) specific mention of God's numbering.
- God has at various times commanded men to count, number, measure, and record their findings.
- God is concerned that men not place too much confidence in numbers or size. Numbers are not everything.
- God is concerned that we be accurate and orderly in our use of weights, measures and numbers.
- God uses the concept of measurement to express men's failures and His plans for man.

#### Man's ability to understand numbers.

- The number concept began with God; He initiated numbers back in the beginning.
- Man's ability to understand and work with numbers, as well as other subjects, is a gift from God.
- Man's ability to use the number system completely, effectively and entirely for God's glory has been marred by sin.

#### The value of mathematics as a subject.

- The consistency of mathematical truths demonstrates the orderliness, precision, and consistency of God.
- Mathematical study should result in greater appreciation of the works of God in His creation.
- Man's creativity, like God's, often requires some mathematical understanding. God designed man to be creative.

#### Alertness vs. Unawareness

Being aware of that which is taking place around me so I can have the right response to it (Mark 14:38)

#### Attentiveness vs. Unconcern

Showing the worth of a person by giving undivided attention to his words and emotions (Hebrews 2:1)

#### **Availability vs. Self-centeredness**

Making my own schedule and priorities secondary to the wishes of those I am serving (Philippians 2:20–21)

#### **Boldness vs. Fearfulness**

Confidence that what I have to say or do is true and right and just in the sight of God (Acts 4:29)

#### Cautiousness vs. Rashness

Knowing how important right timing is in accomplishing right actions (Proverbs 19:2)

#### **Compassion vs. Indifference**

Investing whatever is necessary to heal the hurts of others (I John 3:17)

#### **Contentment vs. Covetousness**

Realizing that God has provided everything I need for my present happiness (I Timothy

#### **Creativity vs. Underachievement**

Approaching a need, a task, an idea from a new perspective (Romans 12:2)

#### **Decisiveness vs. Double-mindedness**

The ability to finalize difficult decisions based on the will and ways of God (James 1:5)

#### **Deference vs. Rudeness**

Limiting my freedom in order to not offend the tastes of those whom God has called me to serve (Romans 14:21)

#### **Dependability vs. Inconsistency**

Fulfilling what I consented to do even if it means unexpected sacrifice (Psalm 15:4)

#### **Determination vs. Faintheartedness**

Purposing to accomplish God's goals in God's time regardless of the opposition (II Timothy 4:7–8)

#### **Diligence vs. Slothfulness**

Visualizing each task as a special assignment from the Lord and using all my energies to accomplish it (Colossians 3:23)

#### Discernment vs. Judgment

The God-given ability to understand why things happen (I Samuel 16:7)

### **Discretion vs. Simplemindedness** The ability to avoid words, actions,

and attitudes which could result in undesirable consequences (Proverbs 22:3)

Endurance vs. Giving up The inward strength to withstand stress to accomplish God's best (Galatians 6:9)

#### **Enthusiasm vs. Apathy**

Expressing with my soul the joy of my spirit (I Thessalonians 5:16,19)

#### Faith vs. Presumption

Visualizing what God intends to do in a given situation and acting in harmony with it (Hebrews 11:1)

Flexibility vs. Resistance
Not setting my affections on ideas or
plans which could be changed by God or others (Colossians 3:2)

Forgiveness vs. Rejection Clearing the record of those who have wronged me and allowing God to love them through me (Ephesians 4:32)

**Generosity vs. Stinginess** Realizing that all I have belongs to God and using it for His purposes (II Corinthians 9:6)

#### **Gentleness vs. Harshness**

Showing personal care and concern in meeting the need of others (I Thessalonians 2:7)

#### Gratefulness vs. Unthankfulness

Making known to God and others in what ways they have benefited my life (I Corinthians 4:7)

#### **Hospitality vs. Loneliness**

Cheerfully sharing food, shelter, and spiritual refreshment with those whom God brings into my life (Hebrews 13:2)

#### **Humility vs. Pride**

Recognizing that it is actually God and others who are responsible for the achievements in my life (James 4:6)

#### **Initiative vs. Unresponsiveness**

Recognizing and doing what needs to be done before I am asked to do it (Romans 12:21)

#### Joyfulness vs. Self-pity

The spontaneous enthusiasm of my spirit when my soul is in fellowship with the Lord (Psalm 16:11)

#### **Justice vs. Fairness**

Personal responsibility to God's unchanging laws (Micah 6:8)

#### Love vs. Selfishness

Giving to others' basic needs without having as my motive personal reward (I Corinthians 13:3)

#### Loyalty vs. Unfaithfulness

Using difficult times to demonstrate my commitment to God and to those whom He has called me to serve (John 15:13)

#### Meekness vs. Anger

Yielding my personal rights and expectations to God (Psalm 62:5)

#### **Obedience vs. Willfulness**

Freedom to be creative under the protection of divinely appointed authority (II Corinthians 10:5)

**Orderliness vs. Disorganization**Preparing myself and my surroundings so I will achieve the greatest efficiency (I Corinthians 14:40)

#### Patience vs. Restlessness

Accepting a difficult situation from God without giving Him a deadline to remove it (Romans 5:3–4)

#### Persuasiveness vs. Contentiousness

Guiding vital truths around another's mental roadblocks (II Timothy 2:24)

#### **Punctuality vs. Tardiness**

Showing high esteem for other people and their time (Ecclesiastes 3:1)

#### Resourcefulness vs. Wastefulness

Wise use of that which others would normally overlook or discard (Luke 16:10)

Responsibility vs. Unreliability Knowing and doing what both God and others are expecting from me (Romans 14:12)

#### Reverence vs. Disrespect

Awareness of how God is working through the people and events in my life to produce the character of Christ in me (Proverbs 23:17–18)

#### **Security vs. Anxiety**

Structuring my life around that which is eternal and cannot be destroyed or taken away (John 6:27)

#### **Self-Control vs. Self-indulgence**

Instant obedience to the initial promptings of God's Spirit (Galatians 5:24-25)

#### **Sensitivity vs. Callousness**

Exercising my senses so I can perceive the true spirit and emotions of those around me (Romans 12:15)

**Sincerity vs. Hypocrisy**Eagerness to do what is right with transparent motives (I Peter 1:22)

#### Thoroughness vs. Incompleteness

Knowing what factors will diminish the effectiveness of my work or words if neglected (Proverbs 18:15)

#### **Thriftiness vs. Extravagance**

Not letting myself or others spend that which is not necessary (Luke 16:11)

#### **Tolerance vs. Prejudice**

Acceptance of others as unique expressions of specific character qualities in varying degrees of maturity (Philippians

#### **Truthfulness vs. Deception**

Earning future trust by accurately reporting past facts (Ephesians 4:25)

#### Virtue vs. Impurity

The moral excellence and purity of spirit that radiate from my life as I obey God's Word (II Peter 1:3)

#### Wisdom vs. Natural Inclinations

Seeing and responding to life's situations from God's frame of reference (Proverbs 9:10)

