

BIBLICAL FOUNDATIONS -

Introduction

FOR ALL THINGS

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THE
**PERSECUTED
CHURCH**



A woman with long blonde hair, wearing a red top and a necklace with a cross, is speaking to a man whose back is to the camera. He is wearing a dark suit. The background is a colorful, abstract wall.

Hostility Towards Christians

AMERICA IN 1850

“There is no country in the whole world, in which the Christian religion retains a greater influence over the souls of men than in America; and there can be no greater proof of its utility, and of its conformity to human nature, than that its influence is most powerfully felt over the most enlightened and free nation of the earth.”

Alexis de Tocqueville

AMERICA TODAY


“The American Republic will endure until the day Congress discovers that it can bribe the public with the public’s money.”

Alexis de Tocqueville



ATTACKS ON TRUTH

- **Secular Humanism - worldview of today**
- **Marxism - politics of world**
- **New age - religion of world**
- **Postmodernism - new philosophy**
- **Islam - fastest growing**
- **Apostasy of Church - small remnant**

The image shows the exterior of the United States Supreme Court building in Washington, D.C. The building is a grand neoclassical structure with a prominent portico supported by tall, white columns. The pediment above the columns is decorated with a relief sculpture. The sky is a clear, bright blue. In the foreground, the wide, white marble steps of the building are visible, with a few people walking up and down. The overall scene is brightly lit, suggesting a sunny day.

SUPREME COURT

- 1962 - Engel vs. Vatali
- 1973 - Roe vs. Wade
- 2003 - Lawrence & Gardner vs. Texas

**Ps 11:3 If the
foundations
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What can the
righteous
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GOAL

**Radical
Transformation
of Thinking or
Renewing of
Minds**



“Christianity is not a series of truths in the plural, but rather truth spelled with a capital ‘T.’ Truth about total reality, not just about religious things. Biblical Christianity is Truth concerning total reality--& the intellectual holding of that total Truth & then living in the light of that Truth.”

Francis Schaeffer

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A. Approach

APPROACH

- **World History - Inspired version**
- **Bible Exposition - In-depth**
- **Theology - Implications**
- **Apologetics - In contrast**



West Wall

TERMS

απολογία - a defense or a reason
for doing or believing something

Usage -

- 1. Legal Defense before Authorities**
- 2. Defense of Character**
- 3. Defense of Christianity**

**1Pe 3:15 but sanctify Christ as
Lord in your hearts, always
being ready to make a
defense to everyone who asks
you to give an account for the
hope that is in you, yet with
gentleness and reverence;**

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B. Basis

A serene sunset scene over a large body of water. The sun is a bright, glowing orb positioned centrally on the horizon, casting a shimmering, golden reflection down the center of the water. The sky is filled with soft, wispy clouds, some of which are illuminated from below by the sun, creating a warm, golden glow. The overall atmosphere is peaceful and contemplative. The text is overlaid in a bold, yellow font.

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What can the righteous do?”**

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