

Introduction

I. TWO TYPES OF MATERIALISM

Secular materialism: matter is all that exists

Religious materialism: belief in spiritual and material worlds

II. SECULAR MATERIALISM ORIGINS

Atomist theory: universe made of indivisible atoms

Key philosophers and their ideas

Nietzsche's super-men and leadership

Karl Marx and classless society

William James' pragmatism

III. SECULAR MATERIALISM TODAY

Darwin's evolution used to support godless materialism

Modern implications of secular materialism

IV. RELIGIOUS MATERIALISM DEFINED

Belief in God and spiritual realm but still worldly

Two main forms of worldliness

1. Religious hypocrisy _____

2. Love of the world _____

V. RELIGIOUS HYPOCRISY EXAMPLES

Pharisees' greed, dishonesty, hardheartedness, violence _____

Matthew 23 as key reference _____

VI. LOVE OF THE WORLD

Desire for worldly things after salvation _____

– I John 2:15 - Do not love the world _____

VII. ANTIDOTE TO SECULAR MATERIALISM

The gospel is the power of God for salvation _____

– Romans 1:16 _____

VIII. DEALING WITH RELIGIOUS HYPOCRISY

Denounce and rebuke hypocrisy in the church _____

Romans 16:18 - smooth speech deceives hearts _____

IX. OVERCOMING LOVE OF THE WORLD

Asceticism not effective; leads to pride _____

– Colossians 2:20-23 _____

Draw near to God and cleanse your hearts - James 4:8 _____

Two ways to draw near to God _____

Goal: Spirit-empowered, dead to worldly lusts _____
