

Developing Your Christian Worldview
Food and Work

1. What does it mean and what are the implications of being created in the image of God (Gen 1:26-27)?
2. How did the fall impact that image? (See James 3:9)
3. In Genesis 1:28 we are told we are to subdue and have dominion. What does that mean?
See also Psalm 8:6-8
4. What should be our attitude toward our environment? Is polluting acceptable in the Christian worldview?
5. God's provision of food (note the progress):
Genesis 1:29; 2:16 (Note God's generosity, not His limiting)

Genesis 9:3

Acts 10:15

1 Tim 4:3-4; Romans 14:14
Be careful not to call unclean what God has called clean and is sanctified by Him.

What are some biblical limitations on what or how we eat?
6. God's provision for work (Genesis 2:7-9,15)
Was there work before the fall?

We need to see that God created the world as a resource for man to manage and to use for his needs and creativity for the glory of God. See how everything works together in Psalm 104:10-23.

We are to be creative and skillful since God is. Our skill, creativity, and inventiveness demonstrate the glory of God. See the skills needed in the following passages and think about the skills that were necessary to prepare for these skills.

Gen 4:20-22; Ex 35:25-28; Deut 8:9; 2 Chron 2:13-14; Amos 9:14

Everything we have made ultimately comes from the earth, from the resources God has put there. Everything we have made can be used either for good or bad.
7. What is God's expectation about our working (1 Thess 4:11; 2 Thess 3:10-12)?
8. When do we cross the line in our work, creativity and invention?
Luke 12:18-19; Acts 12:21-23; Dan 4:30
9. Ultimately God gives us richly all things to enjoy but we are not to trust in the riches but in God.
1 Timothy 6:17;