



Overview of Summer Assignment

Welcome to Mr. Chaydez's Literature Course! I am so blessed with the call to help shepherd you through the very thought-provoking discipline of literature. You will learn how stories shape our lives in ways in which you probably never realized. In preparation for the year, this summer you will be challenged to expand your theological/philosophical understanding by watching two lectures from Dr. Greg Bahnsen about the concept of "worldview." Dr. Greg L. Bahnsen, (1948-1995), was an ordained minister in the Orthodox Presbyterian Church and a full time Scholar in Residence for the Southern California Center for Christian Studies. He received his Ph.D. in Philosophy from the University of Southern California, specializing in the theory of knowledge. He previously received a Bachelor's of Arts in Philosophy from Westmont College, and then simultaneously earned the Master's of Divinity and Master's of Theology degrees from Westminster Theological Seminary. He was an experienced defender of Christianity, a skilled debater, and a clear teacher of the Christian worldview, who was devoted to training believers in understanding and applying the Christian faith to every area of life.

Summer Assignment: The concept of "worldview" is extremely important in Mr. Chaydez's classes. It is typically the first unit taught and a vital component on the final at the end of the year. Here are two lectures from Dr. Greg Bahnsen explaining the concept of "worldview," Christianity, and its opponents. Your summer assignment will be to create a study guide (takes strong notes) from both lectures so that you could ace a test on the material, if it was an open note test. The lectures provide Scriptures, definitions, and key terms and ideas. I want to see how committed you are this summer to understanding both lectures. This does not mean that I expect perfection, but I want to see drive and a commitment to try to understand.

1 The Myth of Neutrality by Dr. Greg Bahnsen

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=UuBkFqFOQgY>

2 Introduction to Worldviews by Dr. Greg Bahnsen

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=6H3cZCoLrjw>

Pre-A.P. literature students in Mr. Chaydez's class are held to a very high standard. The one thing that separates an A.P. student from a non-A.P. student is not intelligence, but drive and commitment to excellence. As a pre-requisite to be enrolled in this Pre-A.P. course in literature, this summer assignment will be due the very first day of school. On the first day of school, students will turn in the assignment and should be prepared for a potential quiz to determine the level of effort displayed. Historically, if a student does not meet this expectation, then the student cannot remain in the honors or AP class. Excuses will not be tolerated. You may need to make extra copies (in case your dog gets hungry)!

In Christ,

Mr. Chaydez

"Whoever loves discipline loves knowledge, but whoever hates correction is a fool." Proverbs 12:1