

A Practical Guide to Culture

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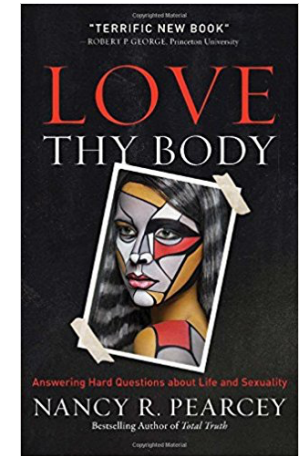
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讨论：

- 与这些观念/行为相关的，什么是深层的framework?
- 同样的，新一代的信仰的主要内涵是什么？
- 这些挑战，会带出哪些后果？

深层：两层楼的基本架构

<p><i>The concept of truth has been divided</i></p> <p>THEOLOGY, MORALITY Private, Subjective, Relativistic</p> <hr/> <p>SCIENCE Public, Objective, Valid for Everyone</p>	<p><i>The fact/value split</i></p> <p>VALUES Private, Subjective, Relativistic</p> <hr/> <p>FACTS Public, Objective, Valid for Everyone</p>
<p><i>The split in Western thought</i></p> <p>ROMANTIC TRADITION Postmodernism</p> <hr/> <p>ENLIGHTENMENT TRADITION Modernism</p>	<p>PERSON Has Moral and Legal Standing</p> <hr/> <p>BODY An Expendable Biological Organism</p>



1. New spirituality
2. Secularism
3. Postmodernism
4. Marxism

How **Millennials** Determine Right & Wrong

If it Hurts Someone Else	53%
What Others Think of Me	44%
Conforms w/ Religious Teaching	40%
Moral Teaching in Background	24%
Karma	17%
Societies Need Laws for Protection	12%

成为好人 - 感觉良好 - 追求人生的梦想 Be Good - Feel Good - Live Your Life








Moralistic therapeutic deists believe that God visits their world, not that they live in God's world. They believe that God serves their agenda, helping them feel good about themselves along the way. God, in their view, demands nothing of them. Rather, He exists to help them in whatever way they wish.

5 Beliefs of MTD

Moralistic
Therapeutic Deism

5 个常见的信念

-  "A god exists who created and ordered the world watches over human life on earth."
 - 有一位神，曾经创造和赋予规律给世界，现在看着人在地球上生活
-  "God wants people to be good, nice, and fair to each other, as taught in the Bible and by most world religions."
 - 神要人成为好人，对人友好公平，就像圣经和大多数宗教的教导
-  "The central goal of life is to be happy and to feel good about oneself."
 - 生活中心的目标就是自己快乐和感觉良好
-  "God does not need to be particularly involved in one's life except when God is needed to resolve a problem."
 - 神不需要特别介入人的生活，只在有需要解决问题的时候，祂参与就可以了
-  "Good people go to heaven when they die"
 - 好人死后就可以上天堂

Soul Survivor Christian Smith 46-47

可能的回應

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- 這些是非常複雜的話題，不能“簡單粗暴”
- 我們當從悔改開始
- 當存謙卑的心來認真學習和裝備
- 需要每位基督徒來參與

我們的目標

- **不是**要打赢文化戰（win hearts, not arguments）
- **不是**把我們的觀念強加給他人
- **而是**按照聖經教導來“愛我們的鄰舍” “使人成為主的門徒”
- 同時，**迎接主的再來**