

## WEST HARPETH CHRISTIAN TUTORIAL

# Understanding the Times: A Worldview Course (spring 2024)

#### **Tutor:**

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#### Prerequisites:

• This course is open to 9th-12th grade students.



## Course Description (from the publisher)

Our world revolves around ideas.

Politicians, military leaders, CEOs, media moguls, and academics may think they are in charge of world affairs, but what they think-the ideas in their heads-actually control them.

Ideas are the guiding force behind every twist and turn in public opinion.

They determine what we accept or reject in the arts, media, business, science, education, politics, family, church, and the list goes on endlessly.

We cannot understand what's going on in the world until we look below the surface at the ideas that influence our beliefs and behaviors.

This curriculum is about the ideas that construct our worldviews.

Everyone has a worldview, which helps them interpret what is happening around them.

This course will cover the six prominent worldviews, and will examine those worldviews in light of 10 disciplines.

### **Books & Supplies**

- <u>Understanding the Times</u> digital platform
  Access to the materials is provided via the lab
  fee. No physical text required.
- Access to the internet and a laptop running Google Chrome, or an ipad or ios device capable of downloading the Understanding the Times app is required.
- Device does will not need to be brought to class, but the majority of the homework will be completed digitally.
- Notebook or 3-ring binder for note-taking

#### Commitment

- · This course meets on Thursdays.
- · It is a .5 credit course that meets in the SPRING.
- Most homework will be completed via the Understanding the Times app/website.
- Weekly homework will consist of reading the assigned selection, answering chapter discussion questions, and preparing for a quiz.
- Class participation in this course is crucial.
  Each student is expected to contribute to the class discussion.

## A typical class will look like...

Class time will be devoted to lecture, and discussion of the previous week's readings and videos. A short quiz will be given at the beginning of each class session.