

BIBLICAL PRINCIPLES *of* GOVERNMENT

A Christian Worldview Course Addressing

Poverty

Education

Rights

Socialism

Submission

Debt

Authority

Taxation

Evolution

Law

History

Economics

Charity

Government



ABOUT

Biblical Principles of Government is a comprehensive worldview course taught by IPS President, Mike Winther. As hinted in the title, the course explores the biblical basis for the proper functions and limitations of government. Contrary to popular opinion, government is not free to do whatever it wishes. As an institution ordained by God, Scripture sets forth the boundaries by which government is authorized to act and for what purposes. Our job as Christians and citizens is to know these biblically-defined boundaries and then, even more importantly, to hold government officials accountable to them. This is the only way to restrain tyranny and unleash liberty—a defining hallmark of Christianity.

This course covers government, history, economics, education, charity, and the proper role in society of the family, the church, and the state. It also covers good and bad decision-making processes and teaches you to identify which is which.

This is an adult course, but it is still well suited for high school and junior high students. This is also a popular family course that creates many positive family discussions, so we encourage whole families to take it together. Homework is very light, but by special arrangement, a more thorough and rigorous homework load can be assigned for those seeking school credit.

IN-PERSON DETAILS | COST: \$25

The course itself is free, but there is a \$25 charge (plus tax) for the study guide. Only one study guide per family is required. However, each person may want their own study guide for practical use. For the cost conscious, an entire family can take the course for only \$25. If you already own a copy of the current course study guide, you are not required to purchase an additional workbook.

ONLINE DETAILS | COST: \$75

If you are out of the area or if you simply prefer to stay home, you can still participate in the course. The live, in-person lecture will be recorded Tuesday evening and then uploaded Wednesday for on-demand streaming. After each weekly video is uploaded, you can stream the content anytime at your own pace. On-demand access to all videos expires on August 31, 2021. To access the videos, you will need to create an account and sign-in. After logging-in, you will be able to access all course material on the IPS website. You will not be redirected to another web service. Online access includes a PDF version of the course study guide. The cost to enroll is \$75 per household or group. Visit the registration page for full permissions and restrictions.

REGISTRATION

To register for either the in-person or virtual course, please visit www.PrincipleStudies.org/BPG. For more information and questions, call (209) 575-2005 or email Info@PrincipleStudies.org.

IN-PERSON DATES/TIMES

February 23 – April 27, 2021

Tuesday Evenings

Calvary Chapel San Jose

1175 Hillsdale Ave

San Jose, CA 95118

7-9pm

ONLINE ACCESS

Expires August 31, 2021

TESTIMONIES

I have been fortunate enough to be able to take a trip to the Holy Land, to take a 'Heritage' tour with Marshall Foster, and visit many of our country's historical landmarks. This 10 week IPS course is far more valuable than all those other things combined.

It changed my worldview forever and I cannot recommend any other class or curriculum more highly.

My wife and I signed up for this class because we felt obligated to gain a better understanding of how Scripture intersects with government, public policy, and economics.