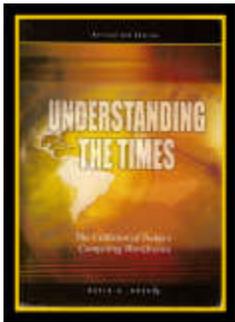




REVIEWS BY MEREDITH!

UNDERSTANDING THE TIMES

To read Understanding the Times is to take on a mammoth project. The book is 509 pages--a huge hardback book the size of a college textbook. This may be the most important book that your teenager ever reads besides the Bible!



The title is a great one--it captures the role of the book in your child's life. It will help your teenager understand the times in which we live. Golly, is the world a different place than the one I lived in as a little girl in the sixties. In spite of hippies and rock-n-roll, people stayed married and divorce was frowned upon, integrity, while not always practiced, was respected, and hard work was still valued. Since the time of FDR, the United States government has taken upon itself the role of provider for the people, marching unashamedly toward socialism. Evolution is taught as a fact in public schools, television, movies, and museums. The Bible is mocked as outdated and accused of being just a storybook. The Christian worldview does not dominate our culture anymore. What worldviews are behind the books we read, the movies we watch, and the politicians in Washington?

As Christians, we believe that the Bible is true. We accept the authority of Scripture over all areas of life. But what does the Bible say about politics, economics, law, psychology, and philosophy? You can either do an intensive Bible study yourself, or you can read this book!

"For the Word of God is living and active. Sharper than any double-edged sword, it penetrates even to dividing soul and spirit, joints and marrow; it judges the thoughts and intents of the heart. Nothing in all creation is hidden from God's sight. Everything is uncovered and laid bare before the eyes of Him to whom we must give an account." Hebrew 4:12-13

Understanding the Times explains what a worldview is and discusses the five major worldviews: Marxist-Leninist, Secular Humanist, Cosmic Humanist, Islamic, and Christian. Though some of these worldviews overlap at various points, each stands apart from the others with its own philosophy and set of goals. Understanding the Times looks at Economics, Biology, Ethics, Philosophy, Theology, Psychology, Sociology, Law, Politics, and History from each perspective.

"...IN ORDER THAT SATAN MIGHT NOT OUTWIT US. FOR WE ARE NOT UNAWARE OF HIS SCHEMES." II Corinthians 2:11

As Christians, we know that behind false worldviews, satan is there, trying to undermine the faith of the believers. His scheme is to exalt anything OTHER than GOD! We must wage war against his lies in the hearts and minds of our children. We want them to believe the truth and not the devil's lies.

"THE WEAPONS WE FIGHT WITH ARE NOT WEAPONS OF THIS WORLD. ON THE CONTRARY, THEY HAVE DIVINE POWER TO DEMOLISH STRONGHOLDS. WE DEMOLISH ARGUMENTS AND EVERY PRETENSION THAT SETS ITSELF UP AGAINST THE KNOWLEDGE OF GOD AND WE TAKE CAPTIVE EVERY THOUGHT TO MAKE IT OBEDIENT TO CHRIST." II Corinthians 10:4-5

After reading this book, a person will never be the same. The next time a book or textbook is picked up and read, the worldview of its author will jump out! When a lecture is listened to, the worldview of the speaker will immediately become evident. Movie watching will not be passive anymore, the worldview of the makers of the movie will be understood clearly. This book will open your eyes forever!