

“Truth, Tolerance, & Acceptance”

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Session Webpage: <http://worldvieweyes.org/vine2017.html>¹
(WITH ANSWERS IN BLANKS)

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WorldViewEyes is a grant-funded program that helps youth and adults **Expand** their minds, **Engage** their culture, **Evaluate** beliefs, and **Embrace** a Christian worldview.

Introduction

A. We will try to do a few **live online questions** during this session. (maximum of 40 participants)

To text message: Text ‘RICHARDKNOPP686’ to 37607 once to join.

To join on a webpage: Go to: ‘PollEv.com/richardknopp686’

B. WorldViewEyes Youth Program (www.worldvieweyes.org)

C. Room For Doubt Program (www.roomfordoubt.com)

D. **Sign up** for the **FOLLOW-UP FORUM**. (See separate handout.)

I. Tolerance: How Christians Are Viewed

A. How do your non-Christian friends view Christians or the church?

B. What are Christians viewed as being AGAINST?

C. Live online questions.

D. Some Stats.

1. Christian Intolerance.

2. Faith vs. Friends.

E. Prominent perceptions:

1. MORALITY: _____ **RESTRICTIVE** Rules.

2. THEOLOGY: _____ **EXCLUSIVE** Faith.

F. Generation Z.

G. The cultural & theological “crunch” on young Christians.

¹ The session webpage will provide handouts (with blanks and with answers), slides, recordings, and access to other resources.

II. Some Guidelines for Young Christians

A. Person vs. Practice.

1. John 8:3-11
2. John 4:7-30

B. Types of Truth.

1. _____ **SUBJECTIVE** Truth
2. _____ **CULTURAL** Truth
3. _____ **OBJECTIVE** Truth

C. Types of Tolerance.

1. _____ **LEGAL** Tolerance
2. _____ **SOCIAL** Tolerance
3. _____ **TRUTH** Tolerance

D. Tolerance vs. Approval.

1. Prominent Cultural View: Tolerance $\overset{\circ}{=}$ Approval
2. Reaction by many young Christians:
3. Biblical View: Tolerance $\overset{\circ}{\neq}$ Approval

E. Feelings and Faith.

1. Make sure your _____ **FEELINGS**
are adequately informed by _____ **BIBLICAL** Faith.