My reflection on thinking like a Christian. Being raised in a Catholic household is very different when it comes to Christianity. We were raised to follow the Bible and the Bible only. We were raised we go to church every Sunday, we were taught how to sat the Rosary. We were also taught to pray to the Saints as well. We were raised in order to get into Heaven we would need to complete every Sacrament. Going thru this lesson makes you open up your eyes to a whole new belief, also it makes you question your own religion.

 In this study it teaches you to understand the world and your place in it. It focused us on the ten disciplines on the influences of life. In each paragraph I briefly go over each discipline and also go over my reflection. It also goes over laying the foundation. Some people believe that God is the foundation; others believe s life is the foundation.

 The first discipline that we discuss is Theology. Theology is the study of the existence, nature, and attributes of God. With Theology you can question is there a God and what is he like. After reading this week’s study, some people with different religions may ask if God really does exist. We all know there is a God; we can all look around and see the beauty of the world all around us. We all know that God is the ruler, God is righteous, and God is relational.

 The second discipline that we study was Philosophy. We have learned that it is the starting point of everything that you do. We also learned the difference between Naturalism, Supernaturalism, and reality. The Christian philosophy is based upon the worldview foundation of Christ. They asked a question, Should Christians use their mind. God created them so therefore we should use them.

 The third discipline that we studied, was Biology. Were we designed or did we Evolved? In this day in age many people question themselves and as the world views conflict. Is there really a God that created all things or did we just evolve from species and plants. Which would bring me to the question of if there was no God how did the species and plants get created? We also were asked if religion and science go together. It is believed by Albert Einstein that without religion there would be no science. But this has been an ongoing debate whether science and religion can co-exist.

 The forth discipline we learned about is Psychology. The art of psychology is determined how you see yourself. Are you happy and satisfied; sad and depressed? It’s the source of your thoughts and ideas. Psychology is the study of “psych or soul.” Psychology makes up the real you, what’s inside. The bible has a lot to say about the real you and who you really are. We have learned we are more than just a physical body. It also talks about self-esteem. It’s about who we really are and the trust we have in what God thinks about us. In the biblical psychology these passages describe the process of taking responsibility of one’s action and thoughts.

 The fifth discipline that we studied was Ethics. Growing up my parents taught ethics to me and my siblings. They taught us right from wrong. Some people tend to blame society and the way they were bought up on their behavior. What if our ethics was the way we were raised? I feel the bible teaches us a lot of ethics. The rules and laws, even the Ten Commandments that I was taught . What we do in life will depend on the ethics we were taught. If we follow the rules we will be ok and avoid any trouble. If we disobey the rules therefore we will suffer the consequences; in life or when we reach the gates of heaven.

 The sixth discipline that we studied was Sociology. Sociology is the study of how well we do around other people in our society. The importance of family, culture, and church within our society. We were created to be a social being. The bible makes it clear that God made families for mankind.

 The eighth discipline is Law. This is an important discipline in both biblical and in our society. Laws come from growing up in our homes, where we live from our city and state laws. The biblical view includes certain principles that govern our moral lives. Civil law governs the state laws. To me biblical law is when we deny God we create a sin. In my opinion the Ten Commandments id God’s law in what we need to follow if not there will be consequences; just as if we disobey the civil laws we would be punished.

 The ninth discipline is Politics. This can be a very touchy subject when we put both politics and religion together. Everyone has a right. Some of the politics and certain laws that are passed goes against some people religious views. The idea of seeking justice also comes from the nature of God. But it all comes down to one thing Government is the reflection of God’s character. The founding fathers intended to play a in this great experiment in freedom. Therefore in the end natural and the bible are the basics for making the law of the land.

 The tenth discipline is Economics. This subject deals with how we exchange the goods and services. The founders of our nation used biblical principles to establish how people could make and use money. Economics relates to the law of the house. This meaning the people should be free to produce goods and services. God has designed us to work, even though work may be difficult, because of Adam’s sin. Through work we can possessions that we can use freely and exchange for other things. Lastly we shall be willing to share our abundance and our experience to help others.

 To sum up this paper in my opinion we follow and use the biblical laws everyday whether it’s in our home, work, thru the government. We as each individual need to follow in God’s grace and what has been instilled in us in order to obey and get into the gates of heaven. Everyone has their own beliefs and religion, but at the end of the day most of us believes in God, the father and creator of heaven and earth.

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