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“The Battle Over Truth and Meaning”

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The steps: 1) deny objective truth exists, 2) replace truth with power, 3) deny meaning.
2. What the Bible teaches about Truth and meaning.
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God calls us to _____ falsehoods with the Truth. (Jonah 1; Acts 18:6; Luke 8:26ff; 1 Corinthians 6:11, etc)
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3. The Christian’s response to the rejection of Truth.
Insist on a _____ of reference.
Reject the claims of naturalism with these Biblical truths:
 God is Creator. (Genesis 1:1)
 We do not belong to ourselves. (Psalm 100:3)
 Man is made in the image of God. (Genesis 1:26–27; Genesis 9:6)
 Creation exists for God, not for itself. (Colossians 1:16)
Remember meaning is given by God Himself. (Mark 9:2–8; 2 Peter 1:16–21)
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