

# EDUCATIONAL PHILOSOPHIES CONTRASTED

## CLASSICAL CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

### **Christ-centered education:**

- God is the source of all knowledge and is therefore acknowledged in all things

**Truth is absolute, objective and knowable**

**Use of Original documents which lift up the greatness of our Christian heritage**

**Emphasis on truth, goodness and beauty**

**Latin language required - taught starting in Kindergarten at Newnan Classical School**

### **Educating for trans-formation resulting in:**

- godly character and wisdom
- Christian worldview
- human, biblical diversity

### **Development of the child's ability to:**

- learn how to learn - reason & discern
- think critically- "why" -- then "how"
- appreciate the good in western civilization

### **Integrated multi-subject learning:**

- displays interrelationships of knowledge and information

### **Excellence quantified by living to one's God given potential:**

- "work as unto the Lord" "What ever you do....do it all to the glory of God"
- Child finds value in Christ - not in his/her grades or test results.

### **Ultimate goal of education:**

- to send godly men and woman into the world to serve Christ their King - whatever His calling in their life may be
- to instill in the child a desire to pursue wisdom and truth for a lifetime

**Education is chiefly the duty of parents**

## CONTEMPORARY EDUCATION

### **Man-centered education:**

- God is not legally acknowledged (public)
- God may be acknowledged (private)

**Truth is relative, subjective, and unclear**

**Use of modern revisionist textbooks which diminish or ignore any meaningful heritage**

**Emphasis on political correctness**

**Latin language, if offered, is elective**

### **Educating for information resulting in:**

- undisciplined character
- secular/humanistic worldview
- cultural diversity - minus Christ

### **Development of student's ability to:**

- take tests
- use correct procedures- "how"
- bias against western civilization

### **Fragmented, compartmentalized learning:**

- taught most often lacking interrelations or clear purpose

### **Excellence determined by test grades:**

- compared with peers and National averages
- artificial "esteem" grading practices based on curves and averages which do not prepare children for life

### **Ultimate goal of education:**

- graduation - regardless of whether the child is well educated
- to instill in the student a tolerance for beliefs and practices which are contrary to the teachings of Christ

**Education is the job of a teacher**

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