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An Exercise in Cultural Apologetics

"Look, I'm sending you out like sheep among wolves. Therefore, be as shrewd as serpents and as innocent as doves" (Mt 10:16).

Neo-Marxism

1. Anti-theistic Cosmology

"I wish to avenge myself against the One who rules above." – Karl Marx

"Atheism is the natural and inseparable part of Communism. We must hate. Hatred is the basis of Communism." – Vladimir Lenin

2. Darwinian Anthropology

Mankind is nothing more than another kind of animal.

3. Behavioristic Psychology

Because mankind is just an animal, there is no soul to anchor individual responsibility. Human behavior is like animal behavior – it is solely determined by environmental and chemical stimuli.

4. Critical Criminology

The environment, specifically capitalism, is responsible for the class division, which is responsible for crime.

5. Optimistic Teleology

Because there is no sin, mankind is able to establish utopia on the Earth once we get the environment just right (namely, get rid of capitalism).

6. Economic History

Unequal distribution of resources is due to one individual/group oppressing another (e.g. Bourgeoisie vs. proletariat).

7. Critical Theory (intersectionality)

People who belong to minority groups are inherently victims. The more minority groups you belong to, the more victimized you are. People who belong to majority groups are inherently oppressors.

8. Postmodern Epistemology

Because there is no God, there is no objective standard for truth. In theory, all truth-claims are equally valid.

"Communism abolishes eternal truths, it abolishes all religion and all morality." – Karl

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9. Postmodern Ethics

Because there is no God, there is no absolute moral standard. Moral systems are mere social constructions. The current moral systems should be deconstructed so that the ever-changing culture can construct a system that best suits its needs.

A Critique of Neo-Marxism

By deconstructing the Judeo-Christian worldview, Neo-Marxists have eroded away the only foundation for human dignity and unity. Only the biblical worldview, which recognizes the intrinsic value of the Image of God and exhorts people towards love and unity, can overcome ethnic and cultural dividing walls (Gal 3:28). Reducing man to a mere animal promotes Social Darwinism and Critical Theory, which divide people into their ethnic and social groups, and assigns value accordingly. In contrast to the blatant prejudice of intersectionality, the biblical worldview focuses on the value and responsibility of the individual, regardless of their social or ethnic background.

Social Principles from the Biblical Worldview

1. You are not God (Gen 1); therefore...
 - you do not determine what truth is.
 - you do not determine what morality is.
 - you do not determine what your identity is.
2. You are an individual who is called to account for his own actions (Gen 3:9).
3. Sin has affected every human (Rom 5:12).
4. There are some problems that only God can solve (Mt 26:11).
5. There is unity in distinction (Trinity).