

Truth & Censorship In Post- Athenian America

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Word	Traditional Understanding	Current Cultural Usage
Tolerance	Accepting others without agreeing with or sharing their beliefs or lifestyle choices.	Accepting that everyone's beliefs, values, lifestyles, and truth claims are equal.
Respect	Giving due consideration to others' beliefs and lifestyle choices without necessarily approving of them.	Wholeheartedly approving others' beliefs or lifestyle choices.
Acceptance	Embracing people for who they are, not necessarily for what they say or do.	Endorsing and even praising others for their beliefs and lifestyle choices.
Moral Judgments	Certain things are morally right and wrong as determined by God.	We have no right to judge another person's views or behavior.

Adapted from *The Last Christian Nation* by Josh McDowell, 2006.

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Personal Preference	Preferences of color, food, clothing style, hobbies, etc., are personally determined.	Preferences of sexual behaviors, value systems, and beliefs are personally determined.
Personal Rights	Everyone has the right to be treated justly under the law.	Everyone has the right to do what he or she believes is best for themselves.
Freedom	Being free to do what you know you ought to do.	Being able to do anything you want to do.
Truth	An absolute standard of right and wrong	Whatever is right for you.

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