Postmodernism and the Death of Truth: Why It Matters for Christianity

"There is no absolute truth."

This single idea **defines postmodernism**—and it has become the foundation of modern culture.

We see it everywhere:

⟨→ Morality is fluid.

(Identity is self-defined.

Religion is just a personal preference.

The Bible? Just another story among many.

The postmodern world doesn't reject Christianity because it's outdated. It rejects Christianity because it **dares to claim absolute truth**.

What Is Postmodernism?

Postmodernism isn't just a philosophy—it's a mindset that has reshaped **how people think** about reality, truth, and faith.

At its core, postmodernism claims:

X There are no objective truths—only perspectives.

X Reality is socially constructed, not absolute.

X Religion is a personal experience, not a universal truth.

This is why many today say things like:

 $\mspace{1mm}$ "Your truth is different from my truth."

 $\slash\hspace{-0.4em}$ "The Bible is just a cultural document."

A "Christianity worked for the past, but we've evolved beyond it."

But here's the problem:

If everything is relative, then nothing is reliable.

Why Postmodernism Collapses Under Its Own Weight

The irony of postmodernism is that it refutes itself.

- A It claims there is no absolute truth—but is that statement absolutely true?
- It says words have no fixed meaning—but should we believe the words of postmodernists?
- \cancel{S} It argues that **all beliefs are equally valid**—but rejects Christianity for claiming exclusivity.

The moment postmodernism makes any claim of truth, it betrays itself.

Why This Matters for Christianity

The Gospel is built on absolute truth:

"I am the way, the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me." (John 14:6)

But postmodernism teaches:

- **⊘** "Truth is subjective."
- O "Faith is a personal feeling, not an objective reality."

This is why many Christians today:

- ⚠ Hesitate to call sin what it is.
- ⚠ Downplay difficult doctrines to be more "inclusive."
- ⚠ Avoid hard conversations to keep the peace.

But Christianity is **not** a **flexible system of beliefs** that bends to culture. It is a **revealed truth** that remains unshaken, no matter how much society evolves.

How Should Christians Respond?

Postmodernism isn't going away. But instead of retreating, we must **equip ourselves and engage culture with clarity**.

- ♦ **Hold fast to biblical truth**—Don't soften Scripture to make it more palatable.
 - Engage with love and reason—People don't need arrogance; they need answers.
 - ♦ Live in boldness, not fear—The Gospel is exclusive, but it is also life-giving.

Paul's warning to Timothy is just as relevant today:

"For the time will come when people will not put up with sound doctrine. Instead, to suit their own desires, they will gather around them a great number of teachers to say what their itching ears want to hear." (2 Timothy 4:3)

Postmodernism isn't just an intellectual trend—it's a direct assault on the authority of Scripture and the nature of truth itself.

The question is: Will the Church stand firm, or will it drift?

○ Where do you see postmodern thinking creeping into modern Christianity? Let's discuss.

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