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HOW DO YOU VIEW HUMANITY?

Your philosophy of life—how you view humanity—usually provides you with some principles for making decisions large and small and determining what is right and wrong.

Rank the life philosophies from 1 to 8 with 1 being the one most like you and 8 being the one least like you.

____ “We are all angels with only one wing. We can only fly while embracing each other” (Luciano De Crescenzo).

____ “If it feels good, do it; if it feels bad, don’t do it.”

____ “The foundation of morality is to have done, once and for all, with lying” (Thomas Henry Huxley).

____ “Morality begins at the point of a gun” (Mao Tse-Tung).

____ “The meaning of life is that nobody knows the meaning of life” (Woody Allen).

____ “Do to others as you would have them do to you” (Jesus of Nazareth, Lk 6:31).

____ “Look out for number one. I am number one.”

____ “Life is a place of service, and in that service one has to suffer a great deal that is hard to bear, but more often to experience a great deal of joy. But that joy can be real only if people look upon their lives as a service and have a definite object in life outside themselves and their personal happiness” (Count Leo Tolstoy).

- Which philosophies are compatible with Christianity? Which are not?

- In two sentences or less, summarize your own life philosophy.

- According to the philosophies you ranked 1 and 8, how would you handle the following cases: you witness a shoplifting, you see a mother abusing her child, you hear a classmate make a racial slur.