

# Popular Culture

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## Attitudes Toward God

- **Secularism**: Hey, just leave God out of it
- **Relativism**: Who are you to tell me what to do?
- **Pluralism**: One spirituality is as good as another

## Attitudes Toward Others

- **Self-centeredness**: It's all about me
- **Independence**: I don't need your help
- **Competition**: Winning is everything
- **Sexual freedom**: Why not?
- **Tolerance**: I don't criticize you, so don't criticize me

## Attitudes Toward Self

- **Instant gratification**: I want it now!
- **Hedonism**: If it feels good, it is
- **Ambition**: My fame is the name of the game

## Attitudes Toward Life

- **Consumerism**: The more the better
- **Pessimism**: Life sucks
- **Determinism**: My DNA is to blame
- **Militarism**: Power determines what is right

# The Way of Jesus

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## Attitudes Toward God

- **Theism**: God is personal and present everywhere
- **Absolutes**: There is good and bad, right and wrong
- **Discernment**: Not all paths lead to God

## Attitudes Toward Others

- **Self-sacrifice**: Serve others
- **Interdependence**: We are the body of Christ
- **Cooperation**: Together we are stronger
- **Sexual purity**: There are boundaries
- **Tough love**: If I care, I will speak the truth in love

## Attitudes Toward Self

- **Patience**: God's timing, not ours
- **Satisfaction**: Obeying God satisfies the soul
- **Submission**: God's honor, not mine

## Attitudes Toward Life

- **Simplicity**: Less is more
- **Optimism**: God has a good plan for all of us
- **Freedom**: I can choose and be responsible
- **Non-violence**: Non-aggression releases divine power