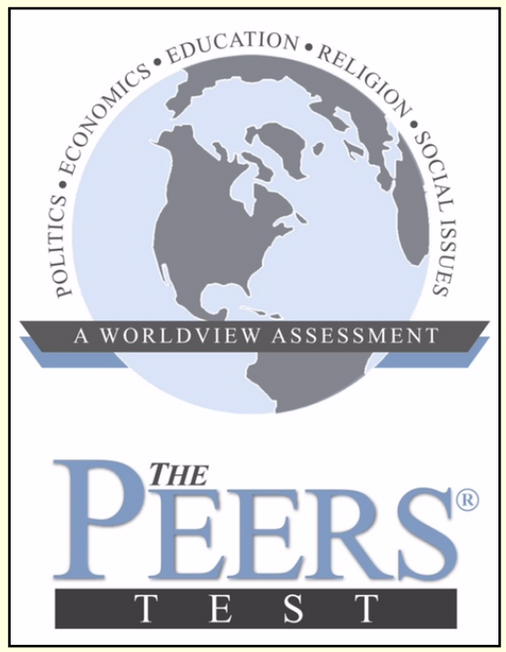
The Kingdom Seminar: Session 3

Worldview of Youth

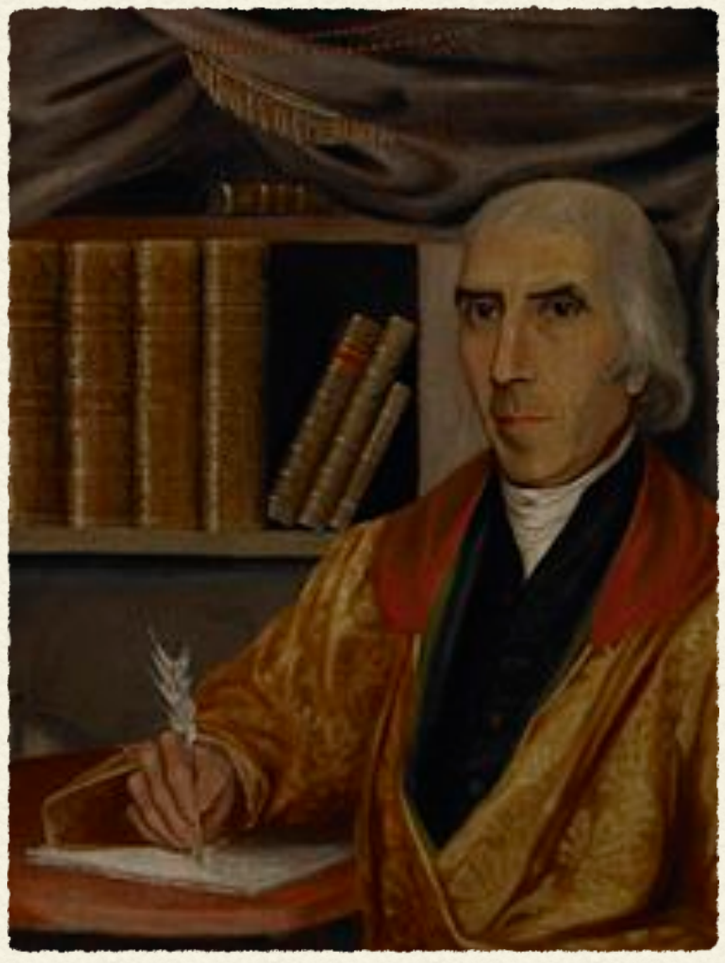
The Troubling story



Jedidiah Morse

Father of modern geography

- "Whenever the pillars of Christianity shall be overthrown, our present form of government, and all the blessings that flow from them, must fall with them."



- **1761-1826**

Psalms 11:3
When the foundations are destroyed, what can the righteous do?

Life spheres – from the Pilgrims

1620

God

Good for 300 years

Family

Nurture

Education

Community

Church

Worship

Instruction- The Word

Education

Sacraments

Care of poor

State

Defense

Punishment

Well-ordering

Life spheres – Last 100 years

God

Family

Nurture

Education

Community

Church

Worship

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Care of poor

God-less

State

Defense

Punishment

Well-ordering

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Welfare,

Etc., etc., etc.

Life spheres – In past several years

God

Family

Nurture?

Education

Community

Church

Worship

Instruction- The Word

Education

Sacraments

Care of poor

God-defying

State

Defense

Banking

Health care

Education

Auto industry

Insurance

Housing

Welfare

Why the shift?

The answer:

WORLDVIEW

German: Weltanschauung

Combines "Welt" ("world") with "Anschauung" ("view")

The fundamental cognitive orientation of an individual or society encompassing the entirety of the individual or society's knowledge and point of view.

THE PEERS TEST

Observing the shift

A Biblical worldview assessment program designed to assess how one views God, man and the world around him.

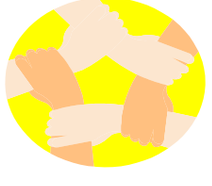
Worldview Spheres: PEERS

Politics How we govern

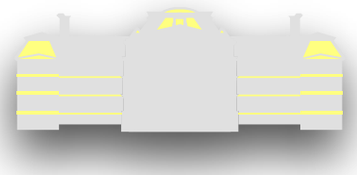
Economics How we prosper

Education How we learn

Religion What we worship

Social Issues  How we relate

Church Emphasis: (past 50 years)

Politics  How we govern

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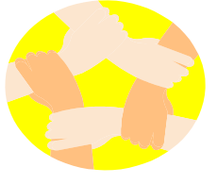
Social Issues  How we relate

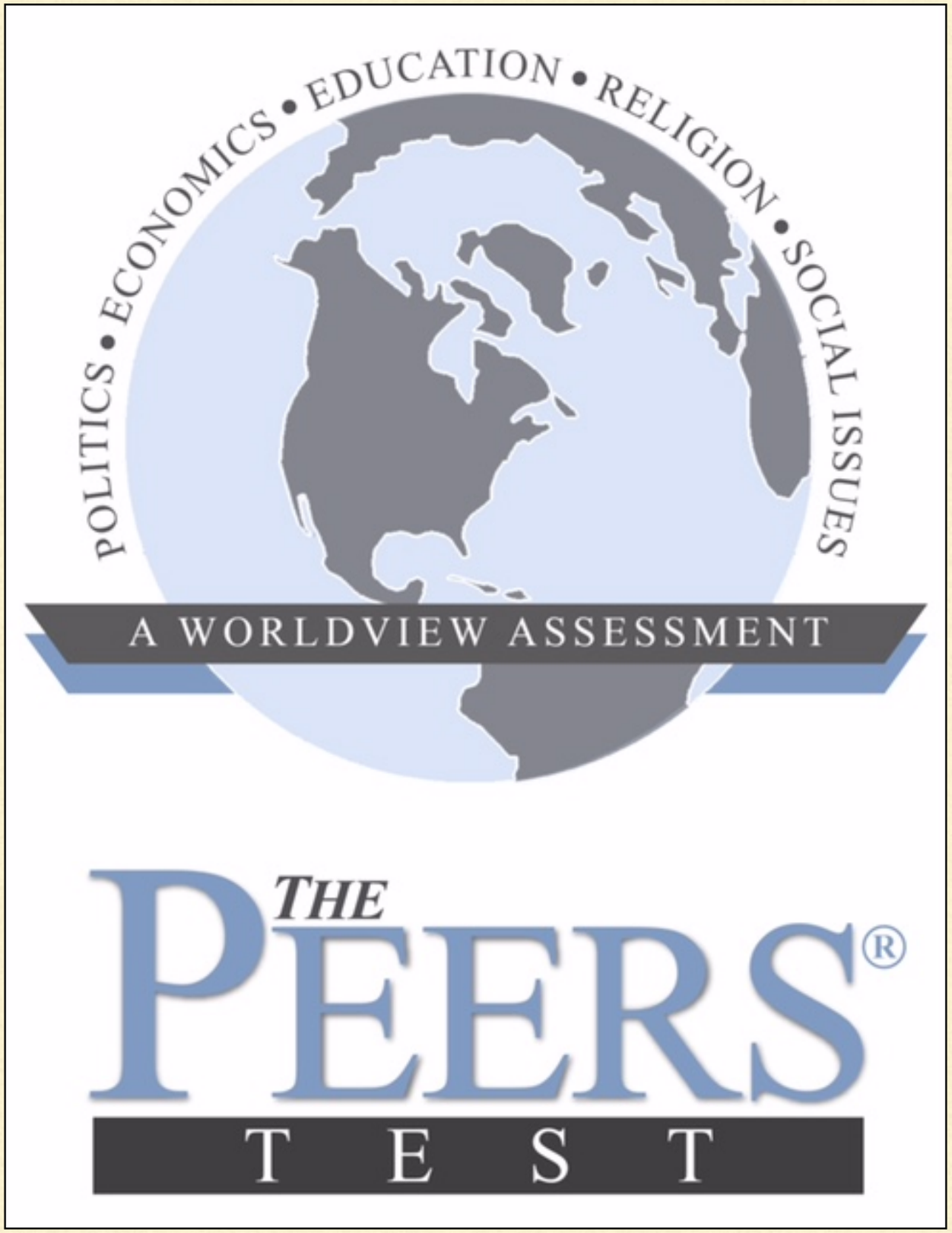
Limited Government-

Purpose of civil government:

Limited?

or

Expansive?



Is the PEERS Test Valid?

Instrument Validation

(Necessary for use at college level)

1- Construct Validity

2- Item Discrimination Analysis

3- Professional Validity and Reliability Examination

What the PEERS Test is not-

Test of Bible knowledge (people, places, events)

A gauge of whether or not you are a Christian

A measure of how holy you are, or

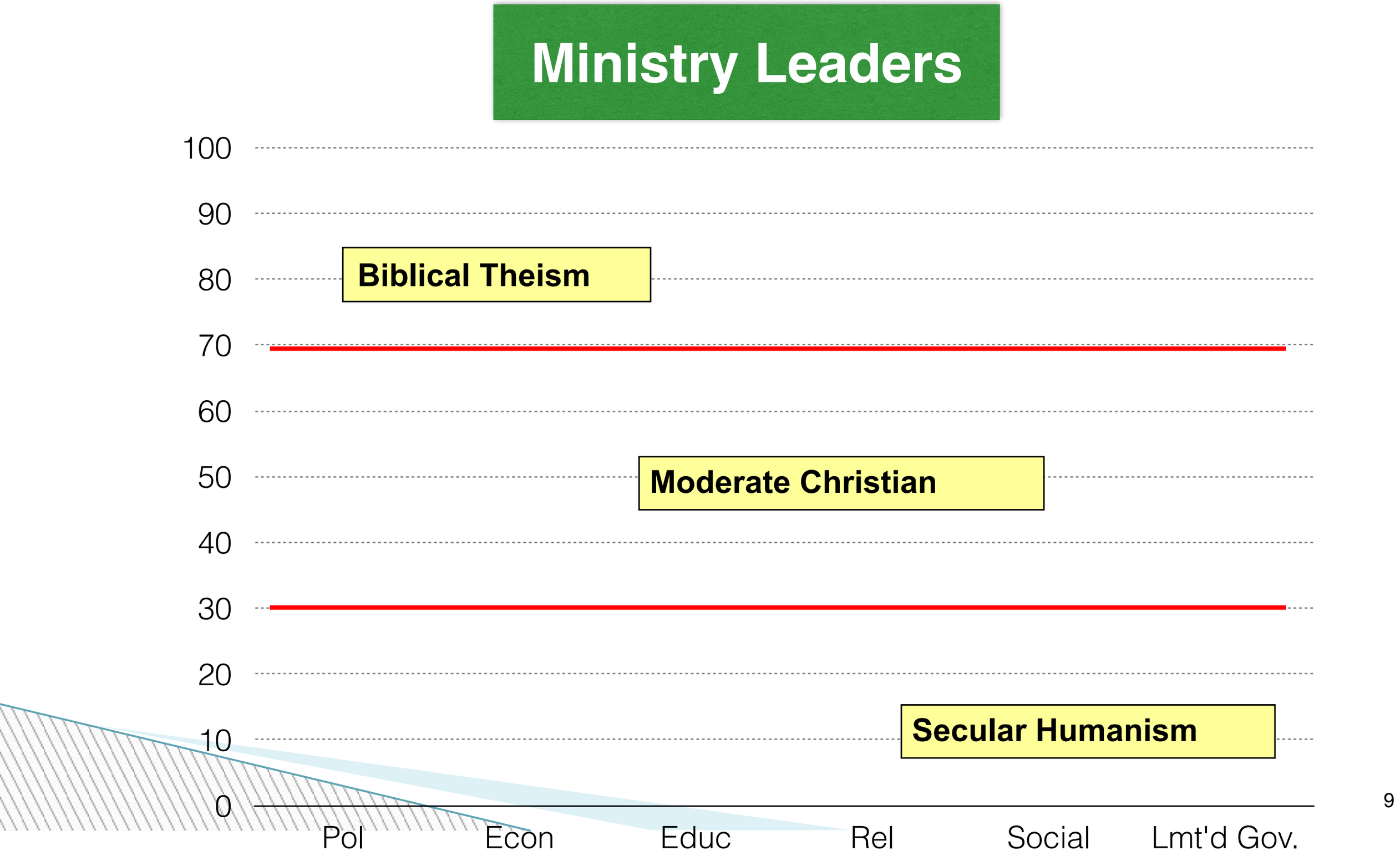
How much you love Jesus

What the PEERS Test is-

How you think the world should work

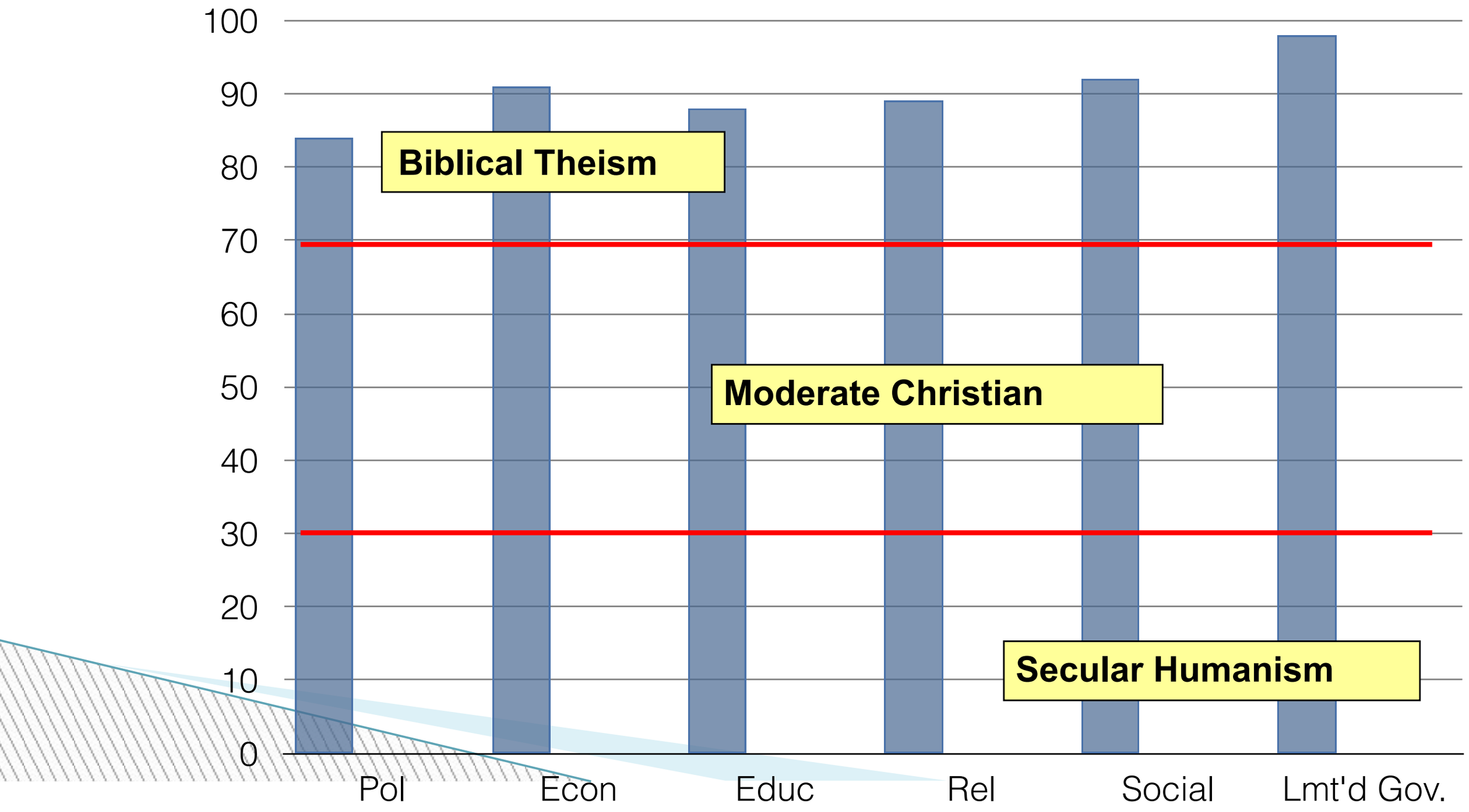
P Politics
E Economics
E Education
R Religion
S Social Issues

Construct Validity



Construct Validity

Ministry Leaders



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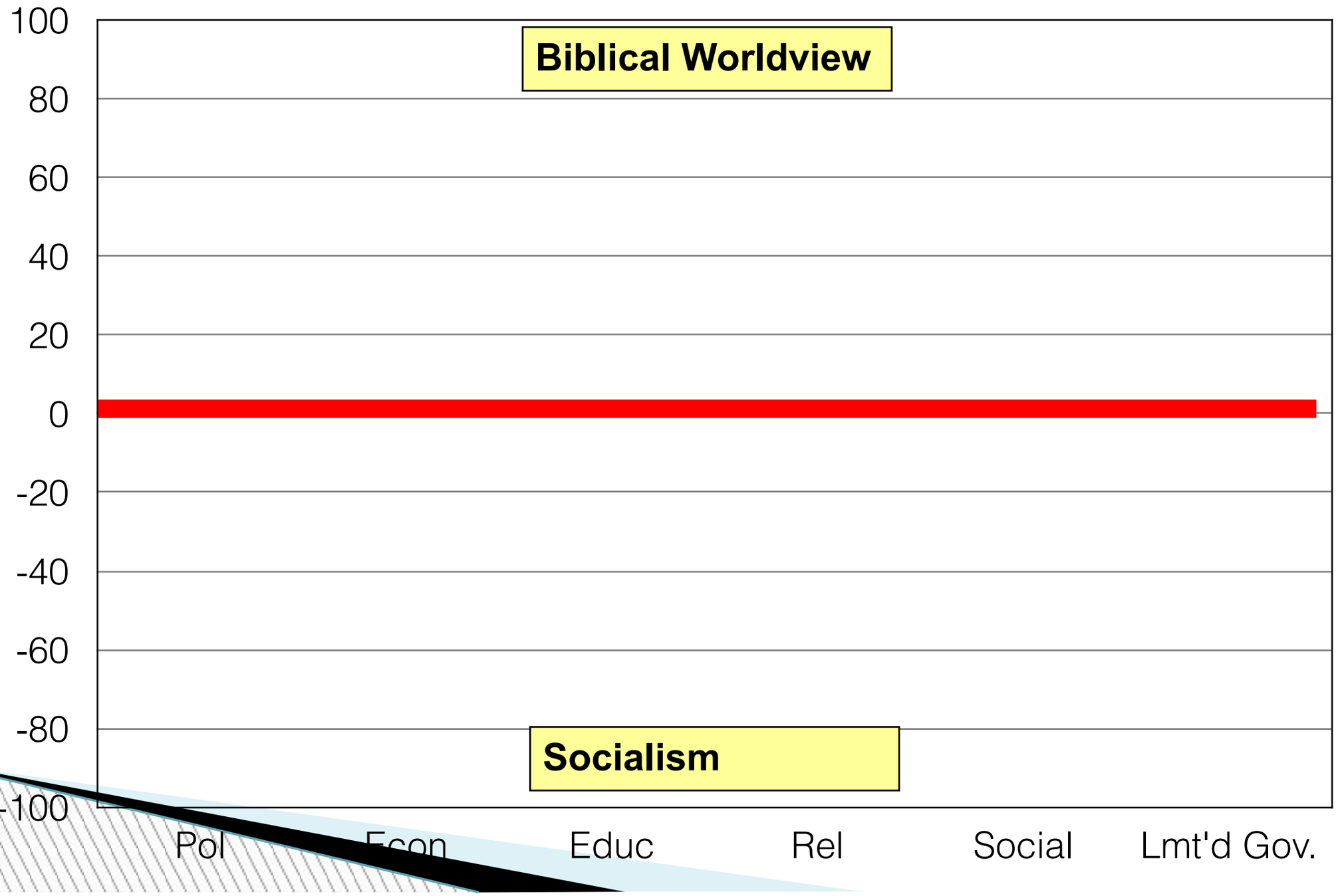
Humanists & New Agers



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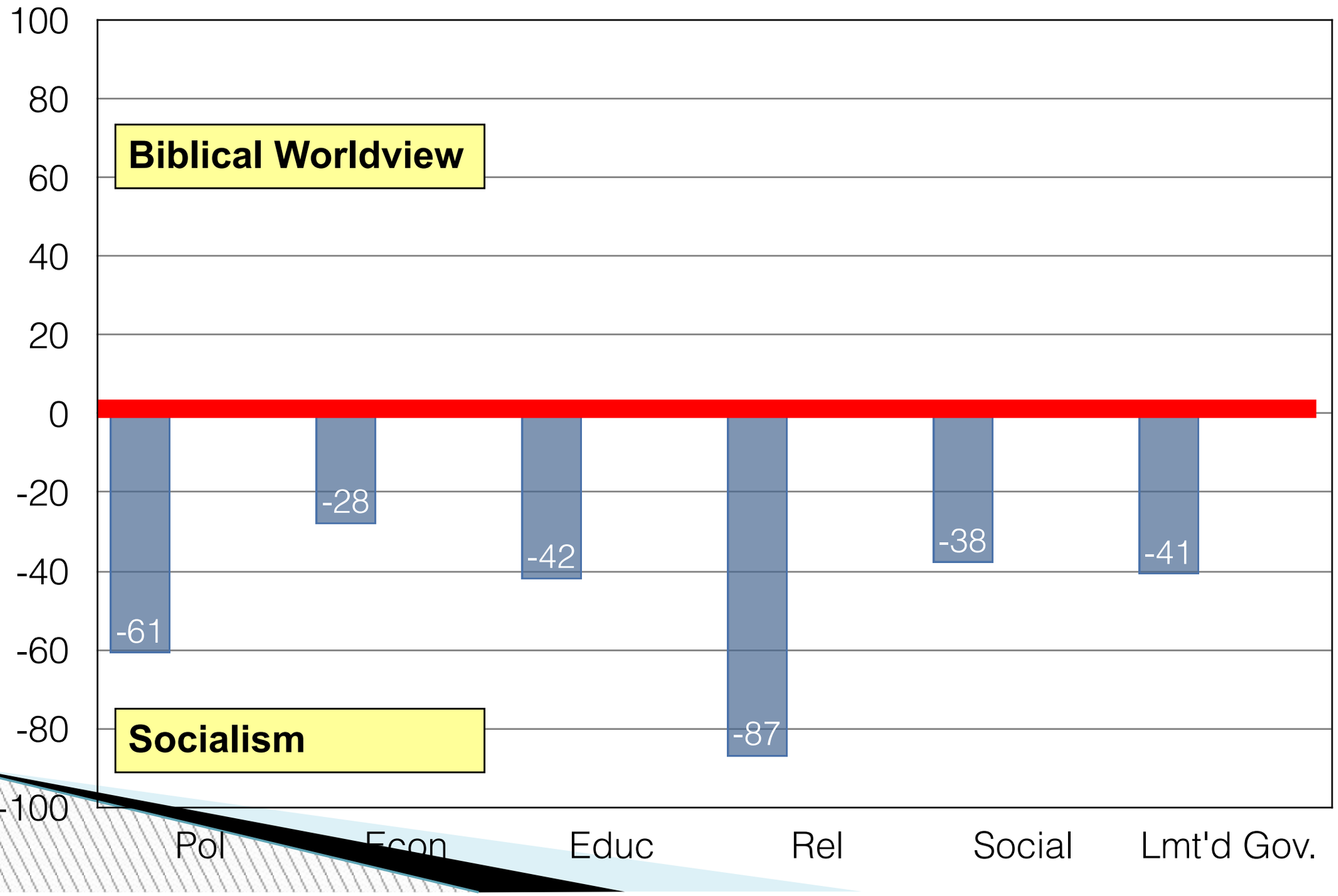
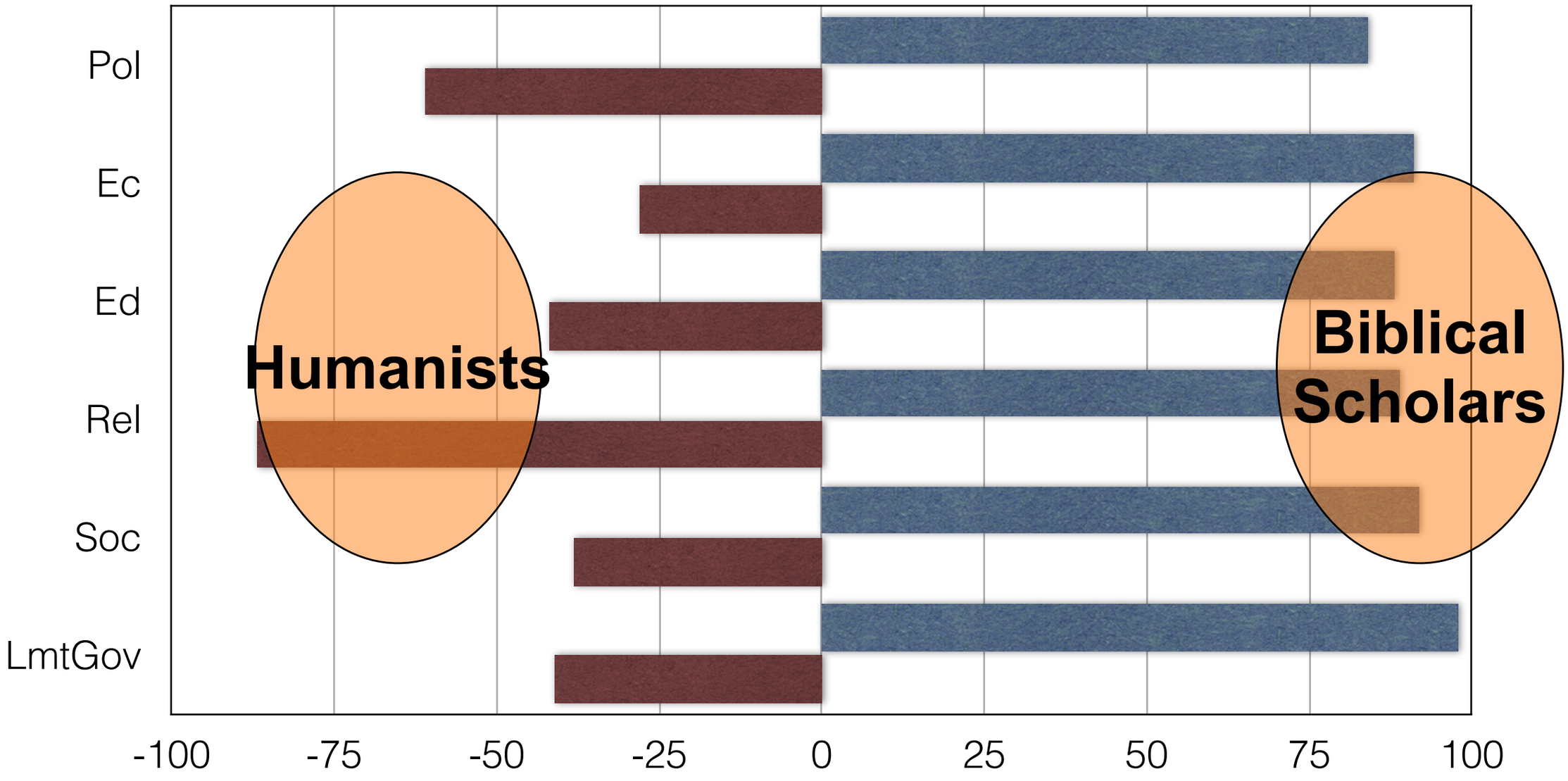


Influence on Society?

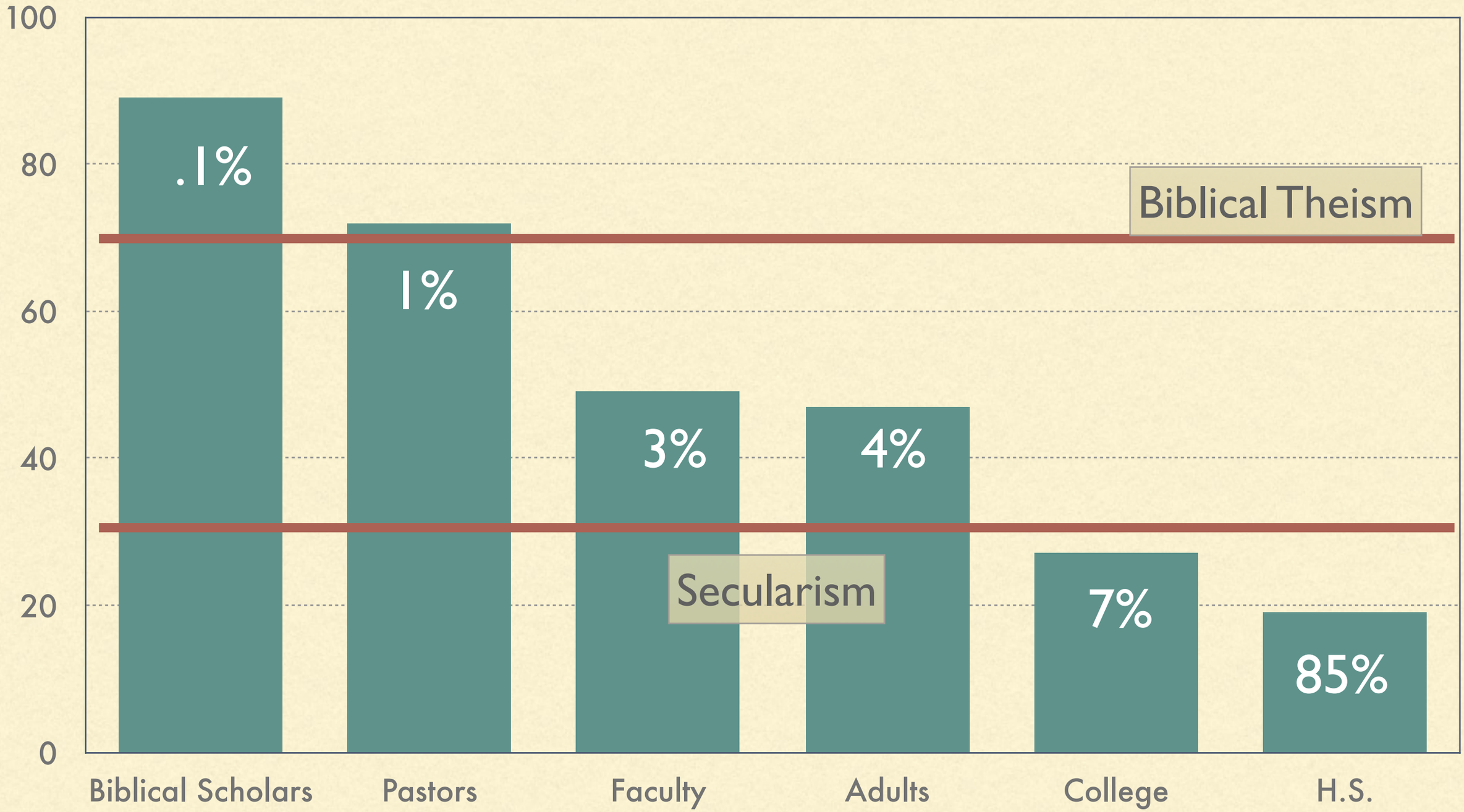
Two bodies of thought



PEERS Results
(30 year summary)

125,000

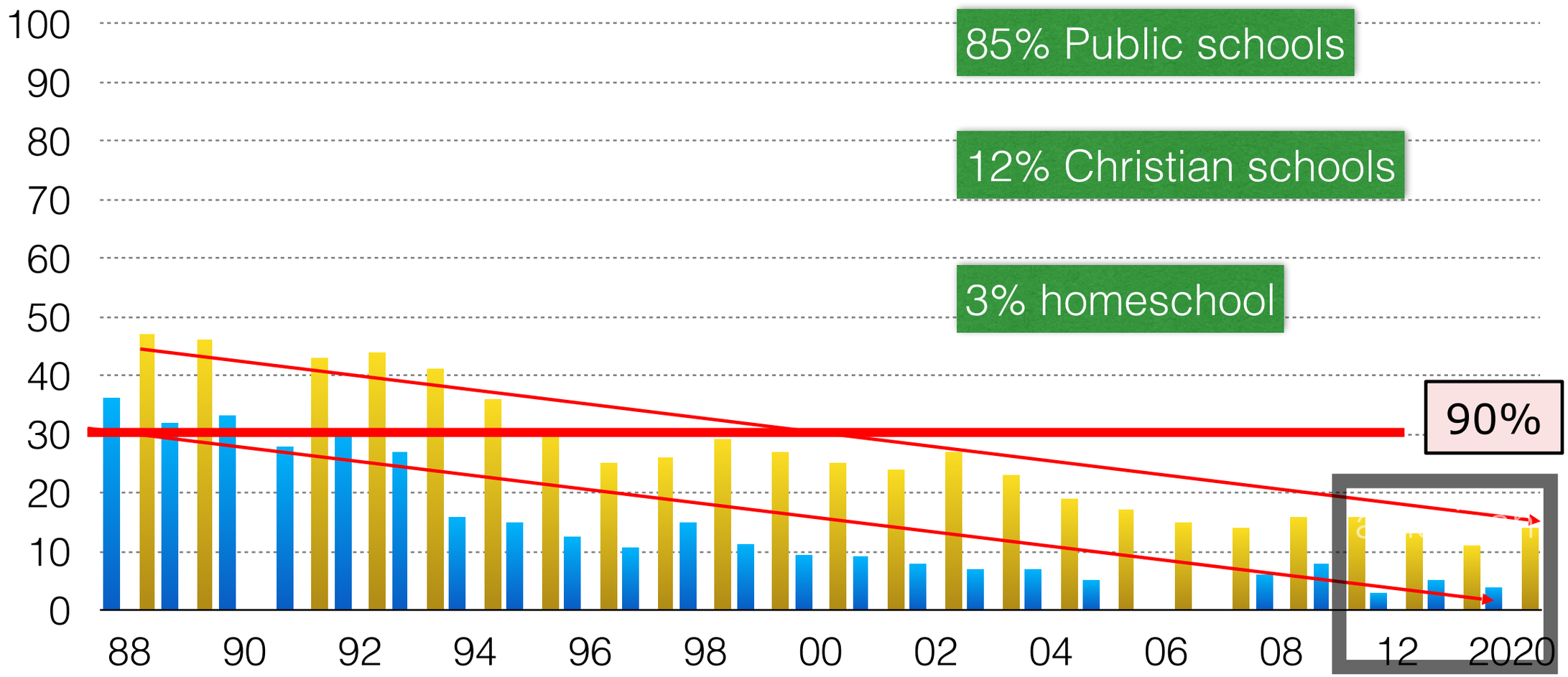
9,000,000 data points



A troubling story

Youth from Christian homes

Biblical Theism

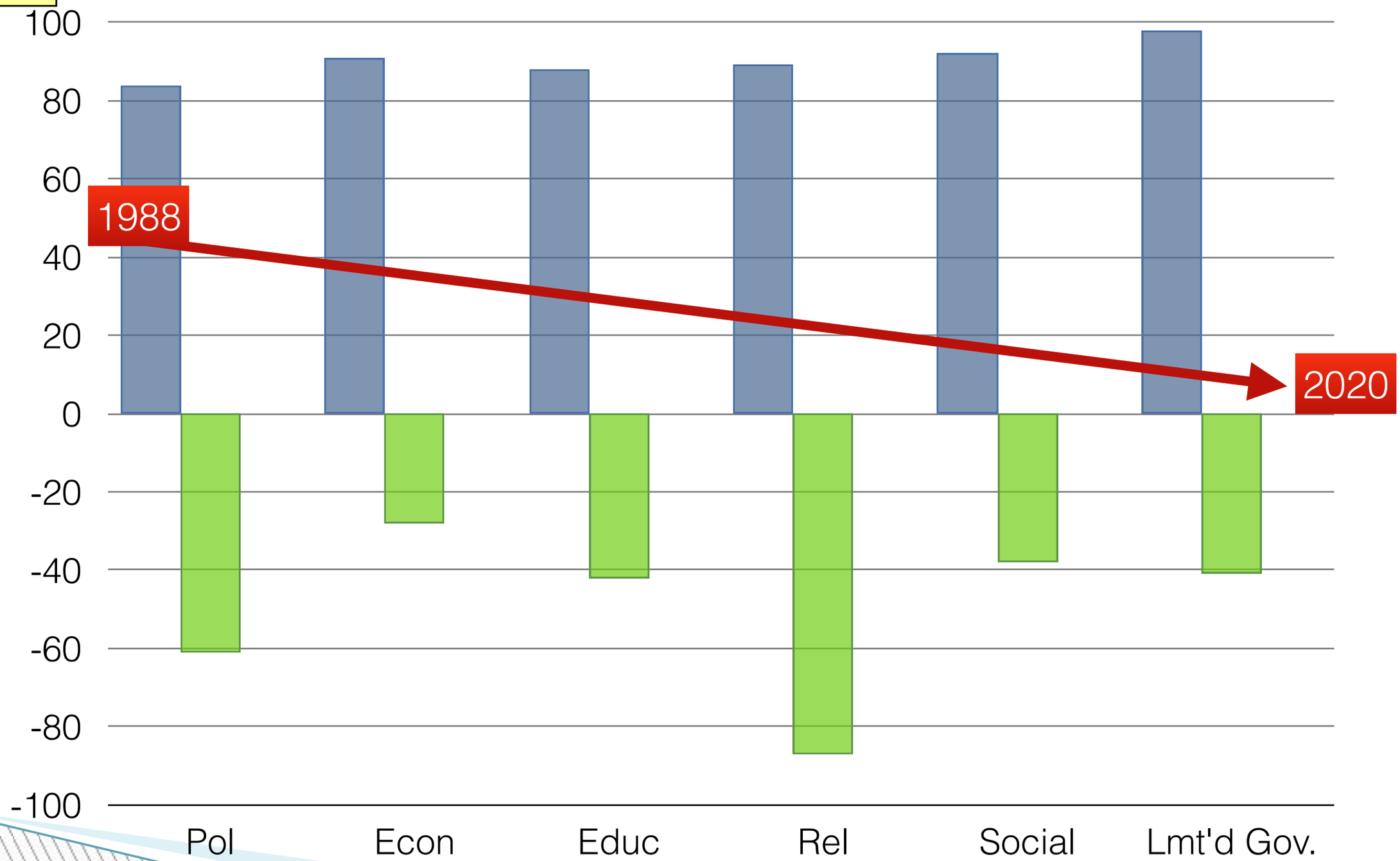


Secularism

Our biggest problem!

Biblical Scholars

Worldview of Youth

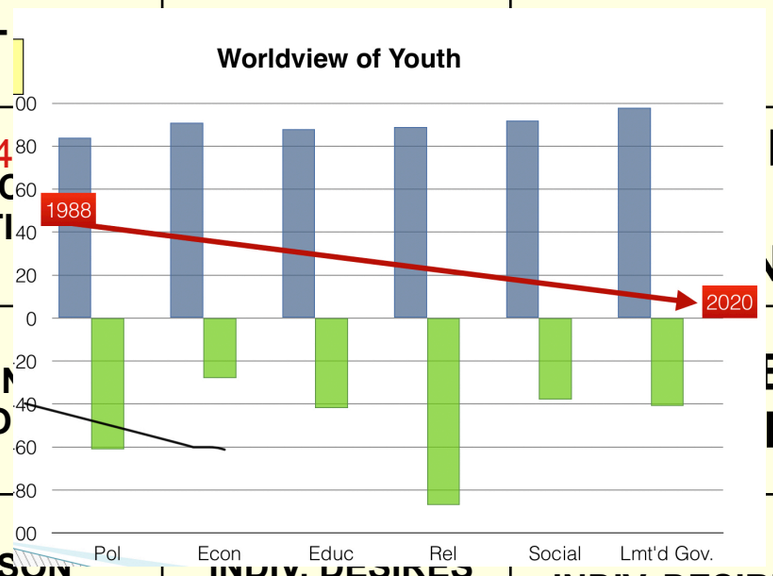


Atheists/ Humanists/ Socialists

Same test!

History of American Education/Culture

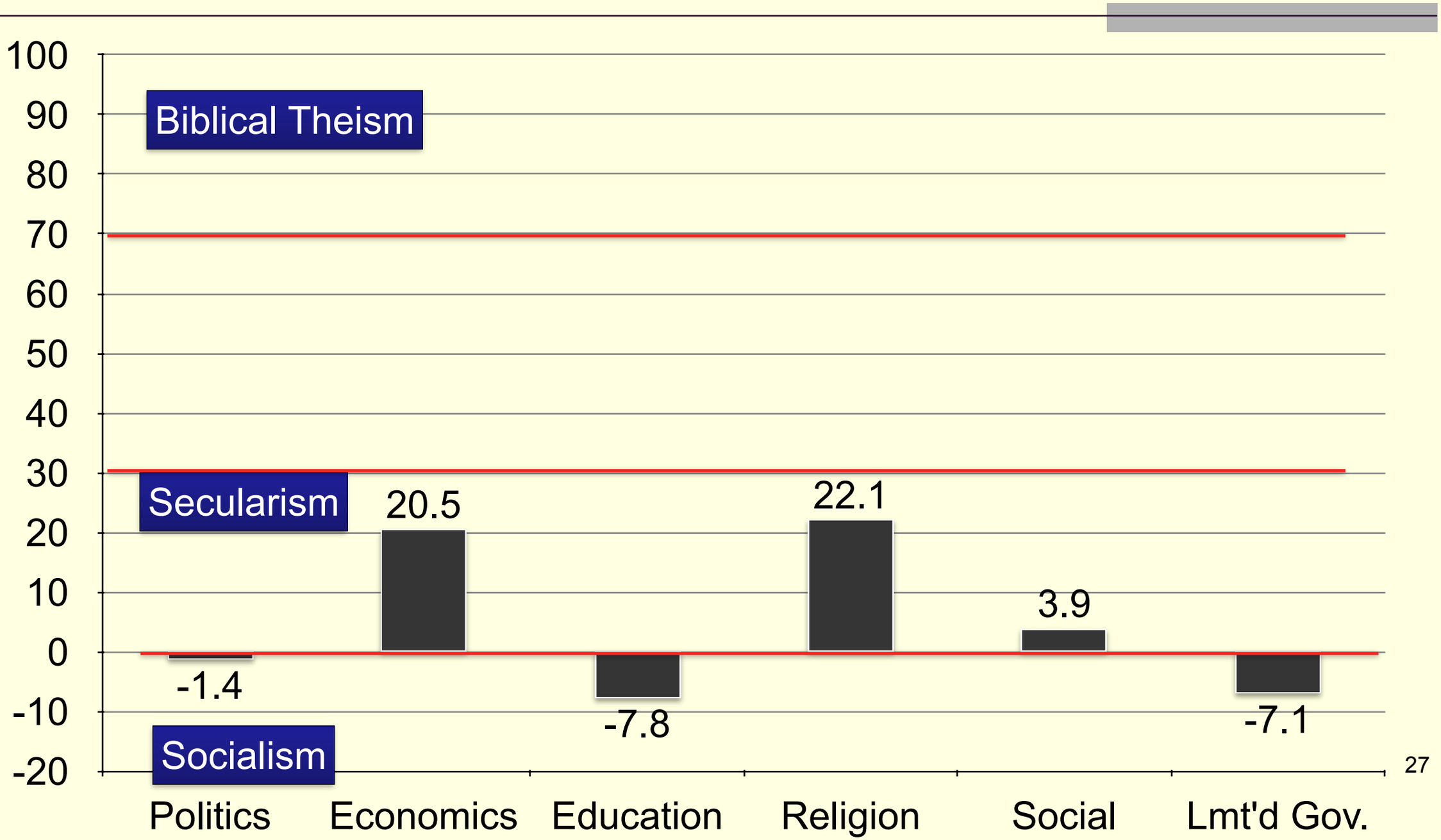
	Colonial Education Era	Early National Era	State-School Era	Remaking of Society Era	Post-Christian Era	'New World Order' Era
Period	(1620 - 1776)	(1789 - 1870)	(1870 - 1918)	(1918 –		?)
Character	155 CHRISTIAN-IZATION	80 NATIONALIZATIO N	50 AMERICANIZATIO N	4 DEMOC IZATI		RA N
What is real	GOD CHRIST	GOD CHRIST SCIENCE	SCIENCE / GOD	SCIEN GO		E / E
How we know what we know	BIBLE REASON	BIBLE / REASON	REASON BIBLE INDIV. DESIRES	REASON INDIV. DESIRES BIBLE	INDIV. DESIRES REASON EXPERIENCE	INDIV. DESIRES POSTMODERNISM
Demonstration of the good life	CHRISTIAN LIFE	CHRISTIAN LIFE GOOD CITIZEN	CITIZENSHIP CHRISTIAN LIFE	CITIZENSHIP MORAL LIFE SELF-ACTUALIZED LIFE	SELF-ACTUALIZATION CITIZENSHIP MORALITY	POLITICAL CORRECTNES S "IMMORALITY "



One example:

MISSION STATEMENT

"-- helping students to develop a biblical worldview framework through timeless principles and truth which will lay a solid foundation for their future."



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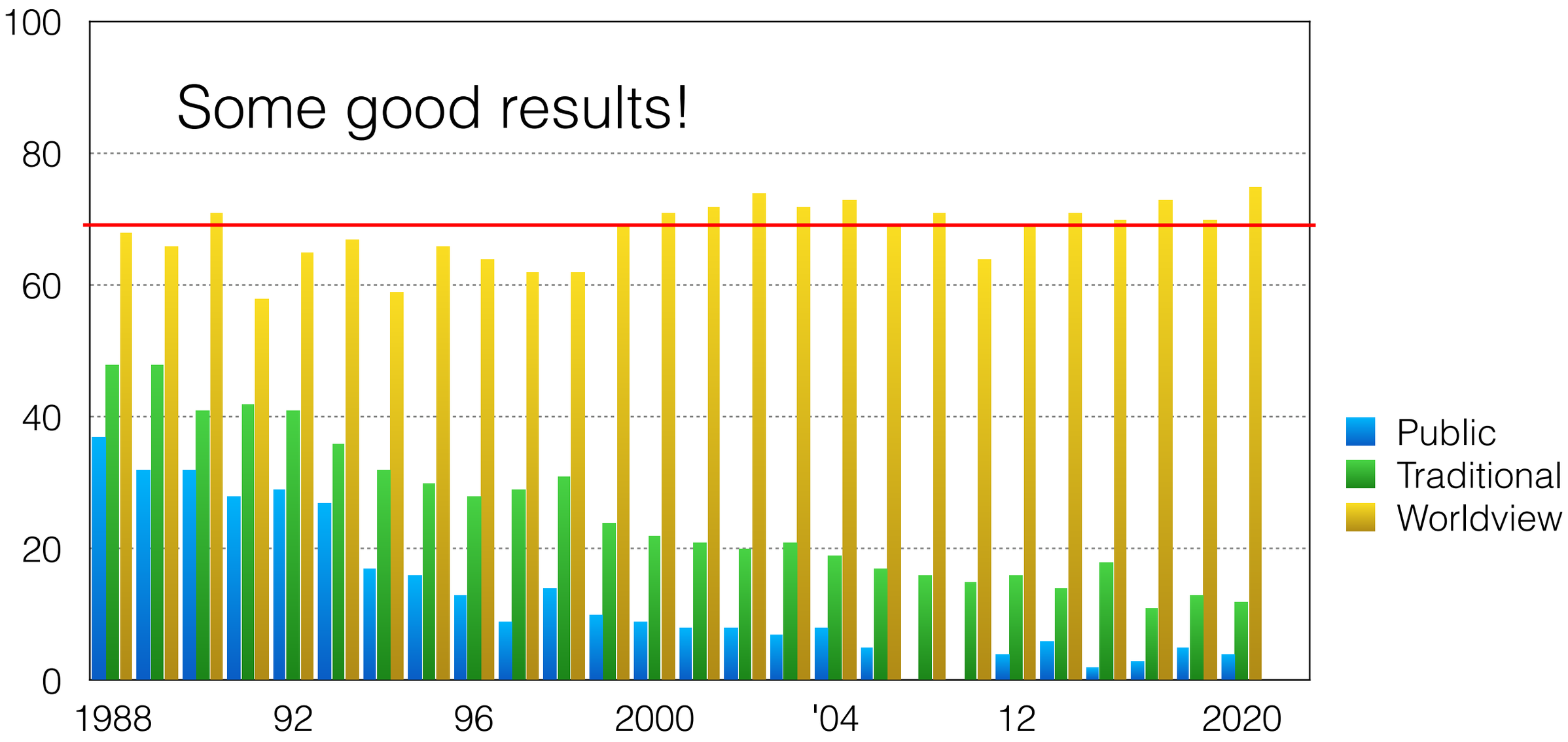

Some good results!
100
80
60
40
20
0
1988
92
96
2000
'04
12
2020
Public
Traditional
Worldview

Kingdom Seminar Summary

TKS-1 The “10,000 year” story of God’s providence at 500-yr intervals.

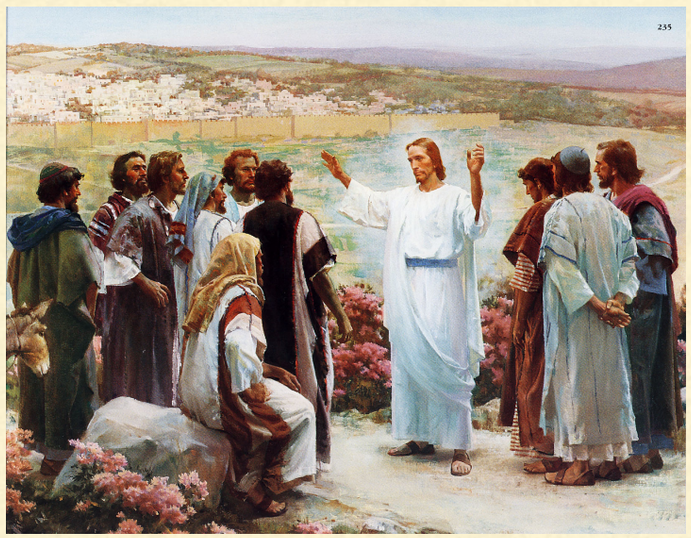
TKS-2 The “400 year” story of America’s demise

TKS-3 The “30 year” story of Church youth being taken captive.

The next 100 years? **The next 1 year?**

The Troubling Story-

Go, tell-



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