

## **WORLDVIEW SELF-ASSESSMENT**

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Circle the one A, B, C, or D item that most describes what you believe about each statement. Do not skip or add additional items for the purposes of scoring this instrument. However, make notes for yourself on ways you might change one or more items. This will enable you to see how your worldview may vary from the four most general perspectives measured by this instrument.

1. A lost dog finds its way home because:
  - A. Its brain reacts to magnetic impulses or chemical scents.
  - B. Its consciousness connects to people or animals at home.
  - C. The animal kingdom Spirit guides it.
  - D. God looks after the smallest creatures.
  
2. Our 4-dimensional universe came into being as:
  - A. God created it from nothing.
  - B. The Big Bang or something similar started it.
  - C. Spirit manifested the material realm in time.
  - D. Conscious intent coalesced energies into form.
  
3. Human society's survival on Earth will most likely be assured by:
  - A. People learning to live in harmony with nature.
  - B. The Lord providing for our needs.
  - C. People inventing new ways to manage resources.
  - D. Our recognition that we can manifest what is needed.
  
4. When I sense an inner voice giving guidance:
  - A. God/Allah or an angel is speaking to me.
  - B. A higher aspect of myself is offering advice.
  - C. My super-ego must be overriding my ego.
  - D. I may be connected to another conscious entity.
  
5. I could win the lottery if:
  - A. I focused my intent hard enough on a chosen number.
  - B. It is my time to be blessed.
  - C. The statistical odds fall my way.
  - D. Many factors come together in my favor.
  
6. Soul-mates or life partners are most probably:
  - A. Joined first by God in heaven.
  - B. Defined by mutual self-definition.
  - C. Bound by physical and psychological factors.
  - D. Made by spiritual pre-birth agreements.
  
7. My health results more than anything else from:
  - A. A combination of learning and self-discipline.
  - B. My positive attitudes and belief in myself.

- C. Mine and my family's divine destiny.
  - D. Genes interacting with the environment.
8. I see the primary function of life on Earth as:
- A. A natural stage of physical evolution.
  - B. Providing an experience for the soul's plan.
  - C. Carrying out the Lord God's will.
  - D. Energy materializing as organisms.
9. Living on planet Earth primarily involves:
- A. Competition with other humans and other species.
  - B. Mastery over nature and evil forces.
  - C. Testing the soul's learning capacity.
  - D. Learning to participate in a complex ecosystem.
10. Government policies should:
- A. Serve the highest spiritual purpose.
  - B. Reflect God's plan for humanity.
  - C. Represent generally agreed upon goals.
  - D. Result from the will of the majority.
11. My brain's highest function:
- A. Reflects the results of evolutionary progress.
  - B. Serves as a nexus for the mind-body connection.
  - C. Provides the physical channel for divine guidance.
  - D. Offers a window to the soul.
12. Political campaigns should first be designed to:
- A. Provide a hearing for various perspectives.
  - B. Identify and debate the merits of specific issues.
  - C. Bring about God's will in the nation.
  - D. Promote positive goals for humanity.
13. The religion I'm most acquainted with:
- A. Is the pathway to God.
  - B. Offers spiritual insights that may benefit others.
  - C. Is a cultural artifact of particular historical events.
  - D. Represents its members' needs for a sense of inner order.
14. Violent conflicts and wars come from.
- A. Humanity's emotional and competitive nature.
  - B. A subconscious need to punish ourselves.
  - C. Shifting polarities in human emotional states.
  - D. The struggle between good and evil.

15. Tragedies occur in life:
- A. By accident or confusion of intentions.
  - B. To remind people of God/Allah's power.
  - C. As a result of the physical laws of nature.
  - D. Due to our inner need for life-course corrections.
16. Victory in sports and other contests reflect primarily:
- A. The participants' level of positive attitude.
  - B. The contestants' condition and skill.
  - C. Heaven's choice between opponents.
  - D. Interaction of mind and physical preparation.
17. What is the relationship between God/Allah and Nature?
- A. God/Allah personally rules all events.
  - B. God's presence is throughout nature.
  - C. Nature and God are the same organism.
  - D. Nature has no God.
18. My society's holy books contain:
- A. Myths and legends of my culture.
  - B. The words of the divine creator written down.
  - C. Advanced spiritual wisdom.
  - D. Material that supports a particular belief system.
19. A society's negative directions are foremost:
- A. A challenge to mentally create a positive future.
  - B. A call for more technological development.
  - C. An indication to rethink human values.
  - D. A sign of Biblical prophecies.
20. What is the relationship between God and humans?
- A. Humans are aspects of the one source.
  - B. They are his/her/its creatures.
  - C. God inspires or guides humans.
  - D. No God is involved with human life.
21. I engage in prayer or meditation to:
- A. Link with the universal spirit.
  - B. Help me feel better psychologically.
  - C. Communicate to God/Allah or his family.
  - D. Energize or direct my intentions.
22. The root of human emotional suffering lies in:
- A. Physical or psychological trauma.
  - B. Individual perceptions of events.

- C. Human sins.
  - D. Human attachment to things or desires.
23. The divine realm or other dimensions are:
- A. Unkown aspects of the natural universe.
  - B. Amenable to human manipulation.
  - C. Projections of human illusion.
  - D. Beyond human understanding.
24. Humans are born:
- A. Blank slates, subject to social training.
  - B. With an inherent sense of right and wrong.
  - C. With an impulse to experiment and learn.
  - D. Fallen beings inclined to wrongdoing.
25. Evil comes from:
- A. The work of Satan or the Devil.
  - B. An innate human tendency.
  - C. Cultural definitions of behaviors.
  - D. Human ignorance or unintended mistakes.
26. At the moment of conception a human is basically a:
- A. Spirit awaiting birth.
  - B. New, divine soul.
  - C. Biochemical protoplasm.
  - D. Matter embedded in energetic form.
27. The timing of my physical death:
- A. Depends on my soul's pre-set agenda.
  - B. Lies in God's plan for my life.
  - C. Involves personal choice at some level.
  - D. Comes from illness or external causes.
28. Humanity's demise on Earth will most likely result from:
- A. Natural cycles combined with human decisions.
  - B. Human errors with technology or ecosystem collapse.
  - C. Completion of the group soul's mission.
  - D. God's great plan for His return.
29. Truth is best learned through:
- A. Scientific experimentation.
  - B. Meditation and inner channels.
  - C. Synthesizing different ways of knowing.
  - D. Revelations from God or his angels.

30. The role of government is primarily to:
- A. Implement God's will in society.
  - B. Mediate among competing needs for common resources.
  - C. Help humans achieve their potential.
  - D. Establish the rule of law and defend against external threats.
31. The implicit goal of most human public activity is to:
- A. Satisfy specific needs and control one's environment.
  - B. Demonstrate personal commitment to God/Allah.
  - C. Have an immediate positive impact on the world.
  - D. Test and learn about one's abilities.
32. Religion and government should:
- A. Be completely separated.
  - B. Enforce the same spiritual values.
  - C. Respect all spiritual paths.
  - D. Promote new ways of being.

Respondent: Age \_\_\_\_; Male \_\_\_ or Female\_\_\_; State \_\_\_\_\_. Thank you!

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