

Influencers

How Popular Culture shapes our Lives



Robert Sandburg

I meet people occasionally who think motion pictures, the product of Hollywood, is merely entertainment, [and] has nothing to do with education. That's one of the damnest fool fallacies that is current. Anything that brings you to tears by way of drama does something to the deepest roots of our personalities. All movies, good or bad, are education, and Hollywood is our foremost educational institution on earth.

More **theology** is conveyed
in, and probably retained
from, one hour of popular
television, than from all
the sermons that are also
delivered on any given
weekend in America's
synagogues, churches and
mosques.



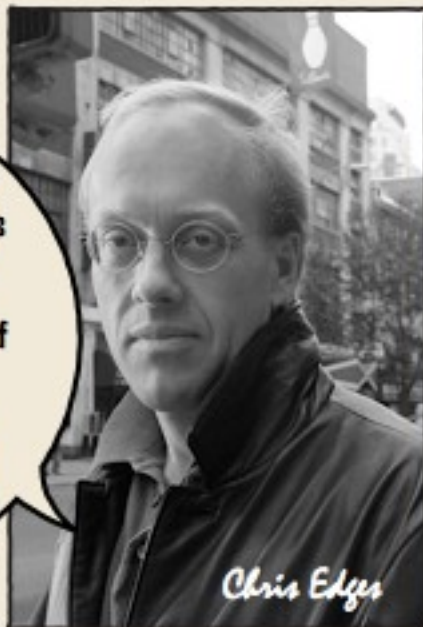
Phyllis Tickle

Materialism

The belief that an accumulation of goods will
make you happy.



**We consume countless
lies daily, false promises
that if we spend more
money, if we buy this
brand or that product, if
we vote for this
candidate, we will be
respected, envied,
powerful, loved and
protected.**



Chris Edger

Matt 6:19-21

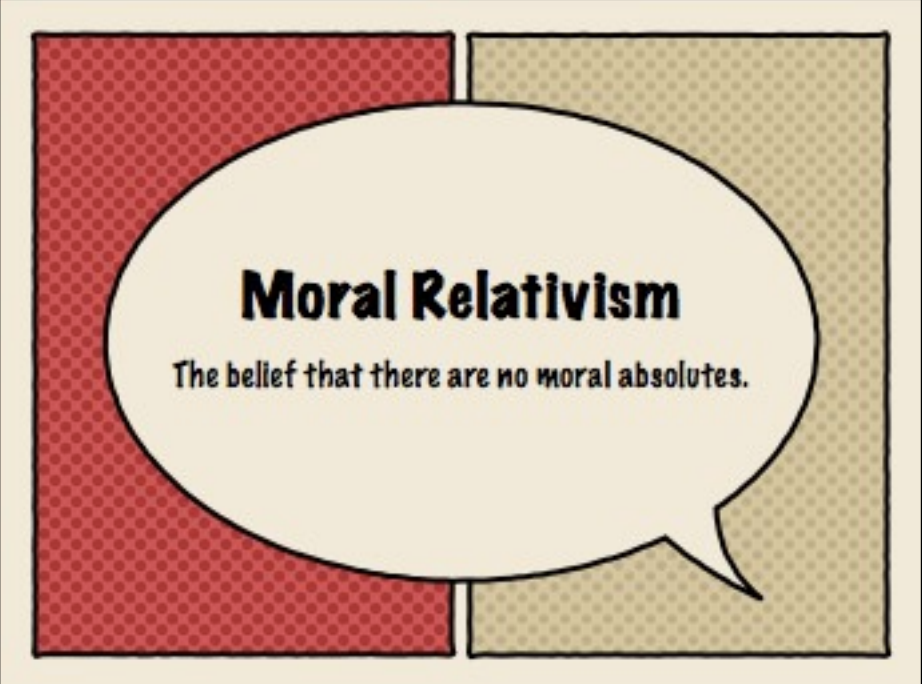
Immaturism

The belief that remaining a 'man/woman-child' is desirable.



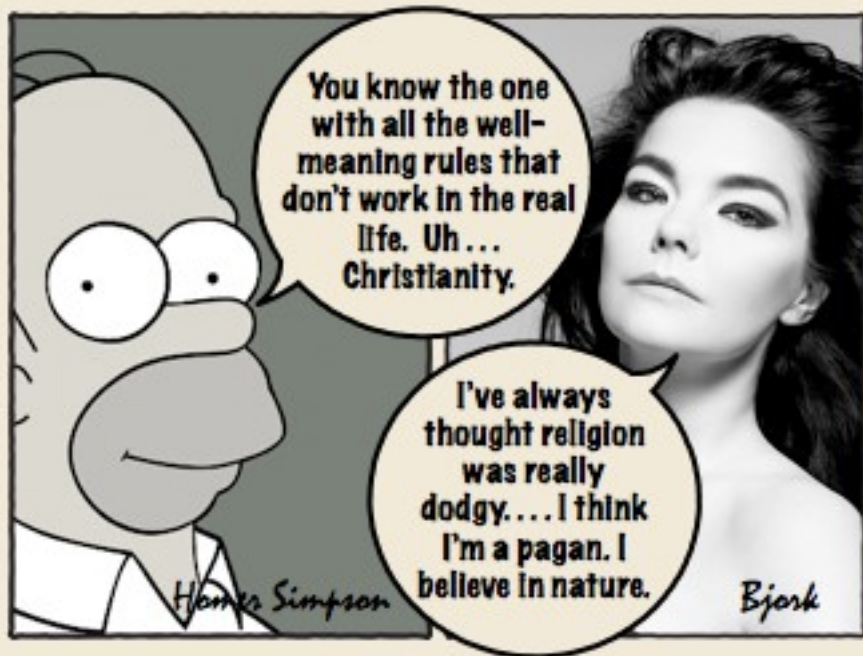
The delay in marriage, settling down and having a family resulted in men who generally made silly and sinful decisions as 20-somethings tend to do when they have too much time and too little responsibility.

When I was a child I spoke
as a child, I understood as
a child, I thought as a
child; but when I became a
man I put away childish
things. 1 Cor 13:11

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Moral Relativism

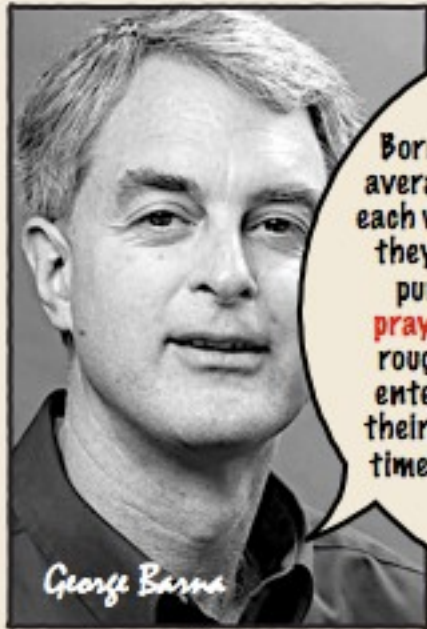
The belief that there are no moral absolutes.



But whoever causes one of these little ones to sin, it would be better for him if a millstone were hung around his neck, and he were drowned in the depth of the sea. Matt 18:6

Ouch!

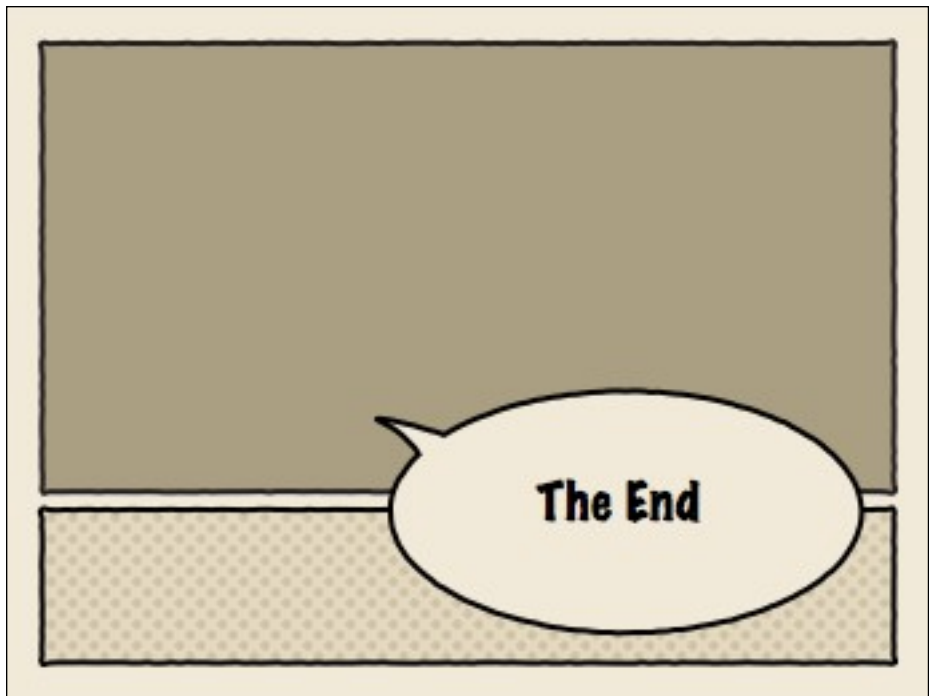
We have fallen for the False Prophets of Modern Culture.



Born-again Christians spend "an average of seven times more hours each week watching **television** than they do participating in spiritual pursuits such as **Bible reading, prayer and worship** . . . They spend roughly twice as much money on entertainment as they donate to their church. And they spend more time **surfing the net** than they do **conversing with God**."



**Feed the
Right Dog!**
Gal 5:17



The End