

# UNIT 3: ATHEISM

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## LESSON 2: POSTMODERNIST ASSUMPTIONS



# WHAT DOES POSTMODERNISM SAY ABOUT HUMANITY?

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- There is no self-identity and no permanent soul or mind
- Post-modernists refer to human beings not as persons but as subjects, bodies, or units
- Humans are a collage of social constructs
- “We are not absolutely anything”



# WHAT DOES POSTMODERNISM SAY IS WRONG WITH US?

- Our insistence that there is something wrong with us and the world
- The problem is adhering to meta-narratives like Christianity

# WHAT DOES POSTMODERNISM SAY ABOUT HOW WE SHOULD LIVE?

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- Stop trying to find truth and embrace pragmatism
- Pragmatism: ideas are only judged by their practical consequences
- The truth is not “out there” to be found, rather our experiences will allow us to generate a theory of living, which we can use to understand our experiences





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Joe Biden: "we choose truth over facts"

The crowd cheers



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SAY ABOUT HOW  
WE SHOULD LIVE?

Biden's new ideas regarding facts are in line with the beliefs of Ocasio-Cortez, who has been on record saying facts don't matter as long as people are morally right.

"There's a lot of people more concerned about being precisely, factually, and semantically correct than about being morally right," the New York congresswoman **said** on CBS' "60 Minutes" with Anderson Cooper in January.

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