



# Marxism, Lesson 4

Unit 3: Atheism



# Marxism and the Poor

- Rise up in rebellion; overthrown the rich
- You are oppressed; the State is your deliverer
- Whatever you do is right and good
- “Its not your fault”



# Christianity and the Poor

- Worship Jesus in submission; love your neighbor



## Mark 12:29-31

- *“This is the most important,” Jesus answered: “Listen Israel, The Lord our God, the Lord is one. Love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your mind, and with all your strength. The second is love your neighbor as yourself. There is no other command greater than these.”*



## Leviticus 19:17-18

- *You must not harbor hatred against your brother. Rebuke your neighbor directly, and you will not incur guilt because of him. Do not take revenge or bear a grudge against your community, but love your neighbor as yourself; I am Yahweh.*



# Christianity and the Poor

- Worship Jesus in submission; love your neighbor
- Jesus is your deliverer



## 2 Samuel 22:2

- *He said, “The Lord is my rock, my fortress, my deliverer.....”*





# Christianity and the Poor

- Worship Jesus in submission; love your neighbor
- Jesus is your deliverer
- No one is good






## Romans 3:10-12,23

- *As it is written, There is no one righteous, not even one. There is no one who understands; there is no one who seeks God. All have turned away; all alike have become useless. There is no one who does what is good, not even one.*
- *For all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God.*



# Christianity and the Poor

- Worship Jesus in submission; love your neighbor
- Jesus is your deliverer
- No one is good
- We must confess our sin



## 1 John 1:9-10

- *If we confess our sins, He is faithful and righteous to forgive us our sins, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness. If we say, 'we don't have any sin,' we make Him a liar and His word is not in us.*



# Christianity and the Poor

- Worship Jesus in submission; love your neighbor
- Jesus is your deliverer
- No one is good
- We must confess our sin
- Your actions are measured against God's standards



# Marxism and the Rich

- Wealth is evil and oppressive
- Because you are rich, you are evil
- Bow down to the state



# Christianity and the Rich

- Wealth is a tool to bless others
- *Matthew 25:14-30; The Parable of the Talents*





# Christianity and the Rich

- Wealth is a tool to bless others
- Your actions are measured against God's standards





# Christianity and the Rich

- Wealth is a tool to bless others
- Your actions are measured against God's standards
- It is harder to serve Christ when you are rich



## Hebrews 13:5

- *Your life should be free from the love of money. Be satisfied with what you have, for He himself has said, “I will never leave you or forsake you.”*
- *Mark 10:17-27 (The Rich Young Ruler)*



# Christianity and the Rich

- Wealth is a tool to bless others
- Your actions are measured against God's standards
- It is harder to serve Christ when you are rich
- Bow down to Jesus



## Treat all people fairly

- *Leviticus 19:15*
- *Do not twist justice in legal matters by favoring the poor or being partial to the rich and powerful.  
Always judge people fairly.*
- *James 2:1-9*



God condemns the rich who oppress the poor

- *James 5:1-6*



## Sometimes, poverty comes from laziness

- *Lazy people are soon poor; hard workers get rich*  
*Proverbs 10:4*
- *Even while we were with you, we gave you this command, “Those unwilling to work will not get to eat.”* 2 Thessalonians 3:10



While wealth is not evil, the Bible commands a better way

- *Matthew 6:19-21, 24*
- *Proverbs 30:8-9*