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1. **When did the modern world begin?** In roughly the seventeenth century when new scientific and philosophical understandings about the world and humans' involvement in it.
2. **What distinguishes rationalism from empiricism?** Rationalists believe that reason enough is sufficient to knowing all there is to discern the world and life.
3. **What was the impetus of modernity?** Freedom from what was seen as external authorities and appeal to individual reason and rivaling truths
4. **When did the industrial revolution emerge?** As modern science was applied to the development of new tools, machines, and procedures for using them. It is sometimes described as a process of rationalization
5. **How does Christian ethics relate to modernity and industrialization?** Issues like bioethics, environmental concerns, media issues, etc. raise ethical concerns for Christians, where it is feared that integrity and perhaps the common good is at risk through now normative behaviors.

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Empiricism: the view that all knowledge was based on experience and the senses

Differentiation: segmentation, for example when jobs become highly specialized. It is a sociological component of modernization

Pluralism: The phenomenon that people with varying worldviews (and religions, moral systems) now live interconnected lives, due to globalization

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Modernity introduces intellectual components, such as industrialization, and social components like differentiation, pluralization, and secularization (which leads to the privatization of religion). Each of these items present ethical challenges, some of which are especially urgent for Christians. Modernity created a world of optimism and hope for a better future (presumptively). In the reliance on modernity's promise, religion grew less popular. In a sense, for all modernity's benefits, it also created certain social and spiritual deficits in society. While the postmodern world may recognize these shortcomings, it cannot escape or readily undo the lasting impact of modernity as it persist today.