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I think the way the questions are asked is sometimes led by bias. I think when we really think about the questions asked it could be specific to a certain group of people. Of course, each of the questions will always lead to a certain answer. Its best to always leave those types of questions in an open-ended type of way instead of just getting one certain answer. Even with a specific mindset it could lead to different question and different types of answers. I do believe that how information is taken can also take effect on how different answers come about.

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The telos in each of the models show the final goal to what psychology and Christianity. I believe that it helps one understand the purpose or how one should come about when integrating both psychology and Christianity. I do also believe it helps us understand maybe where we fall in each of the models. It can also lead us to understand why a person may think or act a certain way because of the models. Overall, I think the telos that each of models does help one get a better understanding of Christianity and psychology.

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The way we look at this model is that psychology and theology are treated the same. There is a balance between the both of them. We have seen in another models that psychology is rejected, and Christianity is accepted or vice versa. I like what the author had to say because at the end of the day what matters is the authority God has over everything else. It's important to also remember that everything that was created from Him and for Him. That's why God has authority over such things in our lives. It's easy to get sucked into from the littles things in our lives. We give priority over other things, and we forget the Creator of all things. That is why our focus shouldn't be on what was created but instead on the One who created everything.

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I was very caught off guard as to what Abraham Maslow had to say about religion and churches. The way that I saw it was how that same thinking or views is seen in today's time. A lot of people think that church is for people who don't know any better or those who have been brainwashed. He even goes off to say that there needs to be a new religion of some sorts. I truly believe that is something someone would say regards to not wanting to follow Christ because the "rules" don't fit their ideology. Upon understanding Maslow's thinking, I don't think I'd continue following or believing his views. I wouldn't want to continue to listen to someone who lives a secret life regards to what they really think. I think he should be upfront of what his views and beliefs are, not and try to hide them.

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Freedom of religion is alright with me, and I don't have a problem with it. It becomes a problem when it becomes an abuse. When it leads people to hurting other instead of treating them with grace. When things are said out of the context of the Bible it can lead to a turn of events. It takes away from what Scripture is trying to really say. I think that maybe there should be some sort of training or standard when it comes to pastoral counseling. There might some pastors who might not know how to handle certain situation which I think is completely fine because as human we are not expected to know everything. As I read the case it broke my heart to read about a young person seeking for help within his church. I think it was a good idea that he had found help at the church instead of other people who could've led him the wrong way. Unfortunately, the church failed him and caused him harm instead. I feel that the church should've shared more love and grace. Sometimes there is no need to bombard people with Bible verses but to share a warm hug. That is probably the only thing that the kid needed in his life.

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I think the way that I've encountered the different types of *Enemies* model is that Secular Combatants are against the way that psychology and theology are mixed. I believe this is seen in more people who are close minded or are unbelievers. There are people who believe that both should be kept separate, and one must be chosen over the other. During my lifetime I've seen more Christian Combatants and more recently since I've decided to switch my major to psychology. There are many who believe that psychology shouldn't be involved and how sometimes it can evil. I'm glad that in my lifetime I've seen these types of people in my life.