

8th Grade Social Studies: *World Geography and Culture*
Unit 1 The World (part 1)
4 weeks
WG8.1, WG8.5, WG8.7, WG8.8

Essential Biblical Worldview Questions

1. How does Geography reveal God’s hand at work in the World?
2. How does the design of the world (and climates) reveal a designer?
3. What about the physical geography of the earth reveals a biblical view of creation?
4. Why does the study of Geography matter?

Objectives	Methods	Resources	Assessment
<p>The students will:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Identify features on a Globe and relate to those on a map ● Discuss how geography is used in their everyday lives ● Learn how to read a globe and map ● Discuss the different types of maps ● Locate longitude and latitude points ● Examine the different elements of geography and a geographers methods 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Power Points ● Visuals ● Videos ● Lecture ● Class discussion ● textbook exercises in class ● Group mapping activities 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Textbook: Bob Jones Cultural Geography 5th edition ● Student Activity Booklet: Bob Jones 5th edition ● Online Websites ● Google Earth 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Chapter tests ● Term quizzes ● homework ● participation in class activities ● Map analysis ● Website Activities

Unit 1: The World (part B)
1 ½ weeks
WG8.1, WG8.3, WG8.5, WG8.7, WG8.8, WG8.10

Essential Biblical Worldview Questions

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2. How does the design of the world (and climates) reveal a designer?
3. What about the physical geography of the earth reveals a biblical view of creation?
4. Why does the study of Geography matter?

Objectives	Methods	Resources	Assessment
<p>The students will:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Discover the relationships between the earth and the sun as it relates to climate and weather ● Analyze the factors affecting climate ● Examine world climate patterns ● Define and discuss terms associated with human or cultural geography—terms about population, culture, politics, economics, industry, resources, and trade ● Discuss global warming from a Biblical worldview and also man’s stewardship responsibilities 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Power Points ● Visuals ● Videos ● Lecture ● Class discussion ● textbook exercises in class ● Group mapping activities 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Textbook: Bob Jones Cultural Geography 5th edition ● Student Activity Booklet: Bob Jones 5th edition ● Online Websites ● Google Earth 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Completion of questions and worksheets from textbook ● Teacher-made quizzes ● Teacher-made unit test

Unit 2: The United States and Canada
4 weeks
WG8.6, WG8.8, WG8.9, WG8.10

Objectives	Methods	Resources	Assessment
<p>The students will:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Label each state of the U.S. and each Canadian province and surrounding bodies of water on a blank map ● Explore the physical geography (land, climate, vegetation) of the United States and Canada ● Examine the cultural geography (population patterns, history, government, and culture) of the United States and Canada ● Analyze the economic activities in the region today 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Power Points ● Visuals ● Videos ● Lecture ● Class discussion ● textbook exercises in class ● Group mapping activities 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Textbook: Bob Jones Cultural Geography 5th edition ● Student Activity Booklet: Bob Jones 5th edition ● Online Websites ● Google Earth 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Completion of questions and worksheets from textbook ● Teacher-made quizzes ● Teacher-made unit test

Unit 3: Latin America
3 weeks

WG8.1, WG8.4, WG8.5, WG8.6, WG8.8, WG8.9, WG8.10

Essential Biblical Worldview Questions

1. How does Geography reveal God’s hand at work in the World?
2. What does human geography have to do with Christ’s call to disciple the nations?
3. What purpose should a Christian see in studying Latin America?

Objectives	Methods	Resources	Assessment
<p>The students will:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Label each country in Latin America and surrounding bodies of water on a blank map ● Explore the physical geography (land, climate, vegetation) of Latin America ● Examine the cultural geography (population patterns, history, government, and culture) of Latin America ● Analyze the economic activities in the region today 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Power Points ● Visuals ● Videos ● Lecture ● Class discussion ● textbook exercises in class ● Group mapping activities 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Textbook: Bob Jones Cultural Geography 5th edition ● Student Activity Booklet: Bob Jones 5th edition ● Online Websites ● Google Earth 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Completion of questions and worksheets from textbook ● Teacher-made quizzes ● Teacher-made unit test

Unit 4: Europe

7 weeks

WG8.1, WG8.4, WG8.5, WG8.6, WG8.8, WG8.9, WG8.10

Essential Biblical Worldview Questions

1. How does Geography reveal God's hand at work in the World?
2. What does human geography have to do with Christ's call to disciple the nations?
3. What purpose should a Christian see in studying Europe?

Objectives	Methods	Resources	Assessment
<p>The students will:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">● Label each country in Europe and surrounding bodies of water on a blank map● Explore the physical geography (land, climate, vegetation) of Europe● Examine the cultural geography (population patterns, history, government, and culture) of Europe● Analyze the economic activities in the region today	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● Power Points● Visuals● Videos● Lecture● Class discussion● textbook exercises in class● Group mapping activities	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● Textbook: Bob Jones Cultural Geography 5th edition● Student Activity Booklet: Bob Jones 5th edition● Online Websites● Google Earth	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● Completion of questions and worksheets from textbook● Teacher-made quizzes● Teacher-made unit test

Unit 4: Russia

1 ½ weeks

WG8.1, WG8.2, WG8.3, WG8.4, WG8.5, WG8.6, WG8.8, WG8.9, WG8.10

Essential Biblical Worldview Questions

1. How does Geography reveal God's hand at work in the World?
2. What does human geography have to do with Christ's call to disciple the nations?
3. What purpose should a Christian see in studying Europe?

Objectives	Methods	Resources	Assessment
<p>The students will:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">● Label each country in Russia and surrounding bodies of water on a blank map● Explore the physical geography (land, climate, vegetation) of Russia● Examine the cultural geography (population patterns, history, government, and culture) of Russia● Analyze the economic activities in the region today	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● Power Points● Visuals● Videos● Lecture● Class discussion● textbook exercises in class● Group mapping activities	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● Textbook: Bob Jones Cultural Geography 5th edition● Student Activity Booklet: Bob Jones 5th edition● Online Websites● Google Earth	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● Completion of questions and worksheets from textbook● Teacher-made quizzes● Teacher-made unit test

Unit 5: Africa: North Africa, Equatorial Africa, Eastern and Southern Africa

5 weeks

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Essential Biblical Worldview Questions

1. How does Geography reveal God's hand at work in the World?
2. What does human geography have to do with Christ's call to disciple the nations?
3. What purpose should a Christian see in studying Africa?
4. What has God said in His word that relates directly or indirectly to the religion/culture of this region?

Objectives	Methods	Resources	Assessment
<p>The students will:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Label each country in Africa and surrounding bodies of water on a blank map ● Explore the physical geography (land, climate, vegetation) of Africa: South of the Sahara ● Examine the cultural geography (population patterns, history, government, and culture) of Africa: South of the Sahara ● Analyze the economic activities in the region today 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Power Points ● Visuals ● Videos ● Lecture ● Class discussion ● textbook exercises in class ● Group mapping activities 	<p>Textbook: Bob Jones Cultural Geography 5th edition</p> <p>Student Activity Booklet: Bob Jones 5th edition</p> <p>Online Websites</p> <p>Google Earth</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Completion of questions and worksheets from textbook ● Teacher-made quizzes ● Teacher-made unit test

Unit 6: The Middle east and Central and South Asia

4 ½ weeks

WG8.1, WG8.2, WG8.3, WG8.4, WG8.5, WG8.6, WG8.8, WG8.9, WG8.10

Essential Biblical Worldview Questions

1. How does Geography reveal God's hand at work in the World?
2. What does human geography have to do with Christ's call to disciple the nations?
3. What purpose should a Christian see in studying the Middle East?
4. From a Christian perspective what controversies surround the Middle East?
5. What has God said in His word that relates directly or indirectly to the religion/culture of this region?

Objectives	Methods	Resources	Assessment
The students will: <ul style="list-style-type: none">● Label each country in the Middle east, Central and South Asia and surrounding bodies of water on a blank map● Explore the physical geography (land, climate, vegetation)● Examine the cultural geography (population patterns, history, government, and culture)● Analyze the economic activities in the region today	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● Power Points● Visuals● Videos● Lecture● Class discussion● textbook exercises in class● Group mapping activities	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● Textbook: Bob Jones Cultural Geography 5th edition● Student Activity Booklet: Bob Jones 5th edition● Online Websites● Google Earth	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● Completion of questions and worksheets from textbook● Teacher-made quizzes● Teacher-made unit test

Unit 7: East and Southeast Asia

4 ½ weeks

WG8.1, WG8.2, WG8.3, WG8.4, WG8.5, WG8.6, WG8.8, WG8.9, WG8.10 Essential Biblical Worldview Questions

1. How does Geography reveal God’s hand at work in the World?
2. What does human geography have to do with Christ’s call to disciple the nations?
3. What purpose should a Christian see in studying the East Asia and Southeast?
4. What has God said in His word that relates directly or indirectly to the religion/culture of this region?

Objectives	Methods	Resources	Assessment
<p>The students will:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Label each country in East Asia and Southeast Asia surrounding bodies of water on a blank map ● Explore the physical geography (land, climate, vegetation) of East Asia and Southeast Asia ● Examine the cultural geography (population patterns, history, government, and culture) of East Asia ● Analyze the economic activities in the region today 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Power Points ● Visuals ● Videos ● Lecture ● Class discussion ● textbook exercises in class ● Group mapping activities 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Textbook: Bob Jones Cultural Geography 5th edition ● Student Activity Booklet: Bob Jones 5th edition ● Online Websites ● Google Earth 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Completion of questions and worksheets from textbook ● Teacher-made quizzes ● Teacher-made unit test

Unit 8: Australia and Oceania

3 weeks

WG8.1, WG8.2, WG8.3, WG8.4, WG8.5, WG8.6, WG8.8, WG8.9, WG8.10

Essential Biblical Worldview Questions

1. How does Geography reveal God's hand at work in the World?
2. What does human geography have to do with Christ's call to disciple the nations?
3. What purpose should a Christian see in studying the Australia and Oceania?
4. What has God said in His word that relates directly or indirectly to the religion/culture of this region?

Objectives	Methods	Resources	Assessment
<p>The students will:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Label each country in Australia and region in Oceania and surrounding bodies of water on a blank map ● Explore the physical geography (land, climate, vegetation) of Australia and Oceania ● Examine the cultural geography (population patterns, history, government, and culture) of Australia and Oceania ● Analyze the economic activities in the region today 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Power Points ● Visuals ● Videos ● Lecture ● Class discussion ● textbook exercises in class ● Group mapping activities 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Textbook: Bob Jones Cultural Geography 5th edition ● Student Activity Booklet: Bob Jones 5th edition ● Online Websites ● Google Earth 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Completion of questions and worksheets from textbook ● Teacher-made quizzes ● Teacher-made unit test