**World beliefs to work on in Sunday School with some students:**

**How do we handle the belief of Theosophy:**

Belief that there is more than one Truth

Cafeteria-style religion; all roads lead to God or Truth

**The world believes Jesus is God, do we? How do we explain that we don’t?**

**The world believes that homosexuality is a civil right and we’re judgmental if we don’t support it. How do we respond to that?**

**The world believes that material medica is a route to take for illness or injury. How do we think about that?**

**The world believes that Christian Science is a cult; we are weird because we don’t go to doctors and we worship Mrs. Eddy. How do we respond to that?**

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*False beliefs to handle as a claim or belief about teenagers or college-age students impersonally:*

**Resistance:**

Apathy, boredom, discouragement

Push-back on pondering or studying CS

Mesmerism, hypnotism

Resistance to attending Sunday School

Resistance to spiritual healing

**Poor self-image:**

Worry about what one wears

Worry about what one eats

Worry about the body: exercise, diet,

Sense of worthlessness

Not pretty enough, smart enough, desirable enough

**Pressure or false influences:**

Peer pressure

Influences from TV, ads, movies, lyrics, or computer games

Pressure over academics/ exams

Pressure from medical influences and world belief

Competition in athletics/academics

**Relationships:**

Desire for popularity

Self-centeredness

Gossip, criticism, jealousy

Wrong motives for relationships

**Attraction:**

False attraction to alcohol, smoking, drugs, pornography

Quest for materialism, consumerism

Sensualism, lust

**Fear:**

Fear of death

Fear of incurable illness

Fear of lack – not having enough

suicide