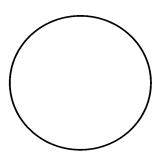
Worldviews 101

Natural

Atheism

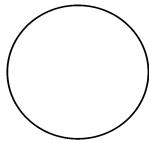


All that exists is the physical universe. There are no gods, spirits, angels, heaven, demons, hell, etc. Humans have no eternal souls.

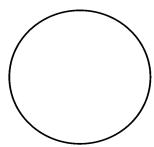
Spiritual forces do not exist.

Supernatural

Monotheism (Christianity, Judaism, Islam)



A personal God...

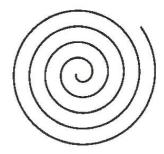


...created a universe with physical and spiritual realms. He is holy (set apart), separate from his creation, but in relationship with and reigning over it.

Spiritual forces only pretend submission in order to ensnare.

Mystical

Buddhism, Hinduism, New Age, occult, etc.



Spiritual realms (gods, demons, spirits, etc.) and the physical universe are intermingled. Many with this worldview would say that everything is God. Others say it's all an illusion.

Only the initiated (shamans, witches, lamas, yogis. priests) may tap into spiritual forces by use of altered states, chants, amulets, rituals, asceticism, monasticism and magic, manipulating the forces for their purposes.

Spiritual forces can be controlled.

Only one of the three views can be true. (1) Either God exists or he doesn't. (2) Either he is separate from everything else, or he is of the same essence as the universe. (3) Either spiritual forces can be controlled, or they only pretend submission in order to ensnare, or they don't exist.

The concept of the three circles is taken from Stuart D. Cook's *Universe Lost: Reclaiming A Christian Worldview*. Created by <u>LenaWood.com</u> and also available at <u>LynnLusbyPratt.com</u>