

Frame for a Christian Worldview  
Nancy Pearcey, (2005), *Total Truth*

Turning Points in Biblical History	First Principles [FGC synopsis]
<p style="text-align: center;">Creation</p> <p>“All created reality comes from the hand of God and was originally and intrinsically good (p. 95).”</p>	<p>“God is the sole source of the entire created order (p. 45)”</p> <p>“There is no philosophically or spiritually neutral subject matter (p. 45).”</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">Fall</p> <p>“All is marred and corrupted by sin (p. 95).”</p>	<p>“All parts of creation – including our minds – are caught up in a great rebellion against the Creator (p. 45).”</p> <p>“The Fall did not destroy our original calling, but only made it more difficult. Our work is now marked by sorrow and hard labor (p. 48).”</p> <p>“A Christian approach to any field [of knowledge, including evaluation FGC] needs to be both critical and constructive. We cannot borrow from the results of secular scholarship as though that were spiritually neutral territory discovered by people whose minds are completely open and objective – that is, as though the Fall had never happened (p. 46).”</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">Redemption</p> <p>“All is capable of being redeemed, restored, and transformed by God’s grace (p. 95).”</p>	<p>God redeems the whole person by giving new direction to our thoughts, emotions, wills and habits (p. 46).</p> <p>“Redemption consists primarily in casting out our mental idols and turning back to the true God (p. 46).”</p> <p>“When we are redeemed our entire outlook on life is re-centered on God and re-built on [God’s] revealed truth (p. 46).”</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">Restoration triggered by Redemption</p>	<p>When we are redeemed we resume the task assigned to us: develop the social world and harness the natural world. We creatively use our gifts and talents to “develop the powers and potentials that God originally built into the creation (p. 47).”</p> <p>We build things that are “beautiful and useful while fighting the forces of evil and sin that oppress and distort the creation (p. 49).”</p>