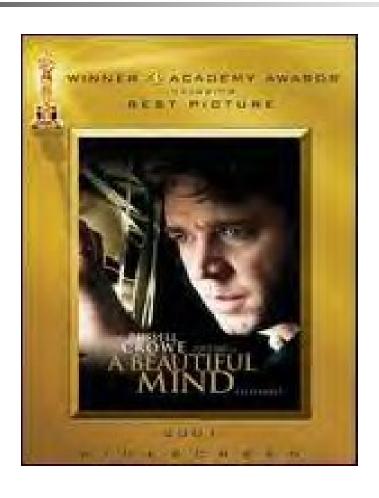


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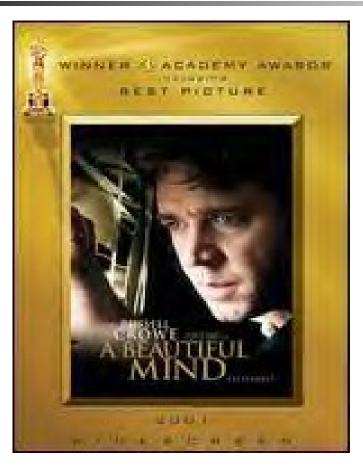


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"This isn't math.

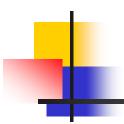
You can't come up with a formula to change your understanding of reality.

Because that's where the problem is — [the problem is] your mind."



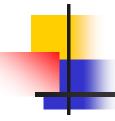
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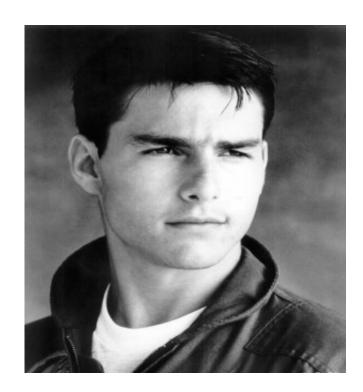
- It is not thinking, learning, knowing, understanding only
- Intellect, emotions, will, faith fused into one
- Think, feel, decide, worship
- Your center and core
- Sets perspectives, judgments, loyalties, actions
- "Where you are what you are!"
- It's what the Bible calls the "heart"



#### **How To Develop Your Mind?**

- DBU Dallas Baptist University
  Faculty, curriculum, grades
- UYC The University of Your Culture Faculty, curriculum, grades





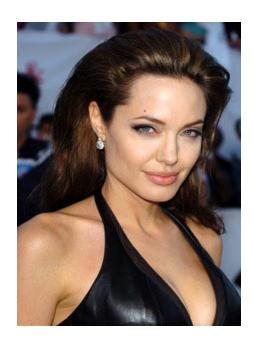






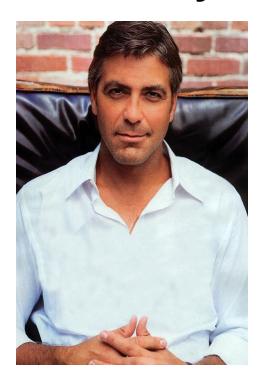














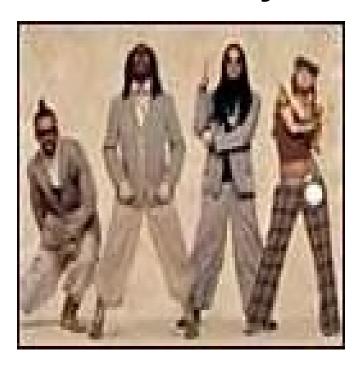


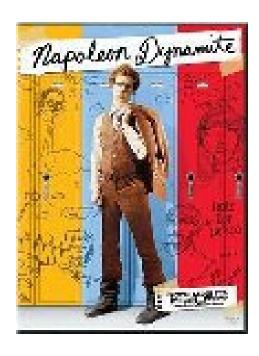




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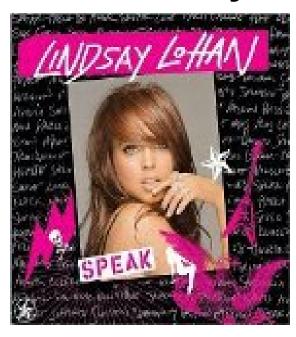
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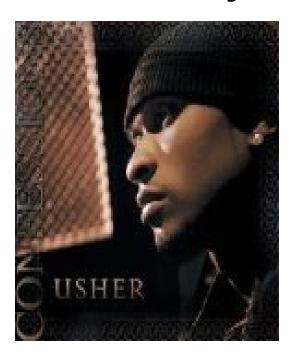


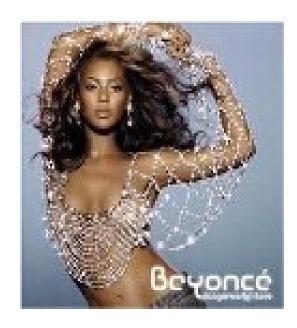


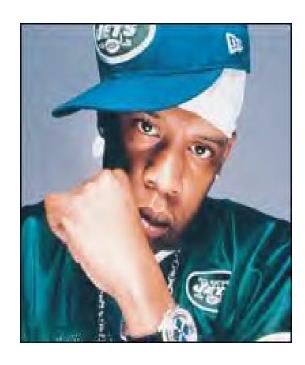


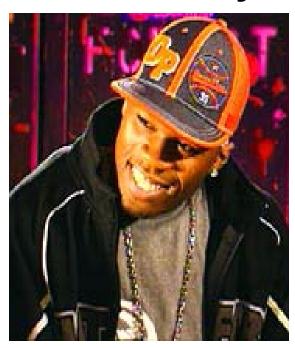


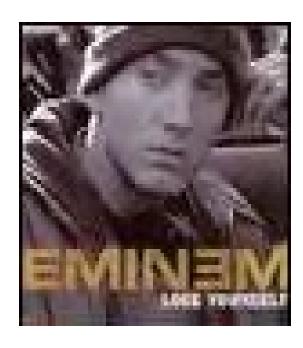












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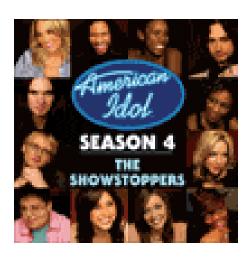






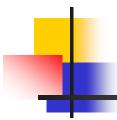


























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# "UYC" Curriculum Summary

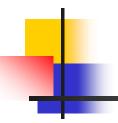
- Sex, food, fashion (Lusts of the flesh)
- Money, wealth, possessions (Lust of the eyes)
- Arrogance, prestige, power (Boastful pride of life)

# "UYC" Grading Scale

If you fit in, YOU PASS.

If you don't fit in, YOU FAIL.

Peer pressure...it's a trillion pounds per cubic centimeter on your heart!



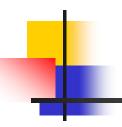
#### **Beware of Defensiveness!**

- I'm a Christian and I'm not influenced by my culture. UYC doesn't have any control over me.
- It's just a TV show, it's just music, it's just a movie, it's just a magazine, just a..., just a...



#### **Beware of Defensiveness!**

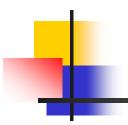
- "All my views on sex, food, fashion, money, wealth, possessions, self-esteem, prestige, and power are from the Bible, not my culture!"
- The Bible determines how I think and live my life!
- Oh really?



#### **Beware of Defensiveness!**

"The heart is more deceitful than all else and is desperately sick. Who can understand it?"

— **Jeremiah 17:9** 



#### The Socialized Mind

- Understands and thinks what our society says it should understand and think.
- Loves and values what our society says it should love and value.
- Does and achieves what our society says it should do and achieve.



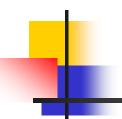
# More Than Likely...

- "UYC" has more influence than your <u>FAMILY</u> in shaping your mind.
- "UYC" has more influence than your <u>CHURCH</u> in shaping your mind.
- "UYC" has more influence than your <u>SCHOOL</u> (DBU) in shaping your mind.



#### A Caveat...

- Because of natural law and God's common grace, there are valuable aspects of our culture as well.
- All truth is God's truth.
- All goodness is God's goodness.
- All beauty is God's beauty.
- There is truth, goodness and beauty to be found in our culture.



#### A Conclusion...

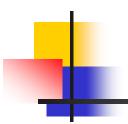
- Because the UYC has so shaped and "socialized" your mind, you are now...
- In a cave... Plato
- A matrix... Neo
- Starring in your own Truman Show...
- Like John Nash, "the trouble is your mind."



# A Challenge

"Do not be conformed to this age (fallen world), but be transformed by the renewing of your mind, that you may prove what the will of God is, that which is good and acceptable and perfect."

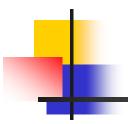
— Romans 12: 2



# A Challenge

As a Christian university student:

Take adult responsibility for the education and renewal of your mind!



# The Opportunity

- Developing the mind of Christ
  - Gift "We have the mind of Christ" (1 Corinthians 2: 16)
  - Task "Have this mind in you which was also in Christ Jesus." (Philippians 2: 5)

How? DCM 2301 as a start!