

1. The Majesty of God
2. The Insignificance of Man
3. The Significance of Man

**Main Points**

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“Much of the turmoil in our contemporary Western world is a function of the collapse of consensus concerning what it means to be human. The fractious and futile debates about gender, sexuality, abortion, and race all track back to a loss of a sense of human nature as a universal reality in which we all share. Then there is the increasing tendency in our culture to define people in terms of their ideas and convictions and thereby to deny legitimacy to any who happen to disagree with us. This affects everything. It makes it increasingly rare to have personal friendships between those of different perspectives. When we are our beliefs and convictions, what can we have in common with those who do not share them? It is why the language of human rights is now often (and ironically) not deployed to speak about the rights all individuals enjoy as human beings, but rather as some socially constructed sub-category of humanity. And it feeds into the increasing tendency of both political sides to deny legitimacy to elections that favor the other side. Crisis is an overused term, but it seems eminently justified to describe our current moment: We do live in a time marked by a crisis of anthropology.”

**Carl Trueman**

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“God has chosen to use weak things to confound the mighty. He does not need to use powerful people or eloquent speakers to silence His adversaries. A simple cry for help will be heard by God and will overcome the world. This is the design of God to stop the enemy and the avenger.”

**Allen Ross**

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“No one goes to the Grand Canyon to increase self-esteem. Why do we go? Because there is greater healing for the soul in beholding splendor than there is in beholding self.”

**John Piper**