

*Believing the Bible – Week Five*

***The Influence of the Bible on Culture: Positive or  
Negative?  
Selected Scriptures***

**Introduction:** Down through history, where the Bible has been properly interpreted and applied, it has had an overwhelmingly positive influence on culture as evidenced by humble acts of service.

**1. REALITY #1 – Historically, the Bible strongly influenced literacy & literature.**

- A. Biblical Basis: Deuteronomy 6:6-8
- B. Seven snapshots of the Bible transforming literacy.
- C. Summary

**2. REALITY #2 – Historically, the Bible strongly influenced concepts of social justice.**

- A. Biblical Basis:
- B. Snapshots of the Bible transforming social justice.
- C. Summary – The Bible moved people to serve before saying. (Schippe, 294)

**3. REALITY #3 – Historically, the Bible strongly influenced the direction of music and the arts.**

- A. Biblical Basis:
- B. Snapshots of the Bible influencing the arts.
- C. Summary