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"When you hear 'political correctness,' what comes to mind? Informed ... individuals immediately think of PC words as tolerance, diversity, multiculturalism, and feminism. But what do these words really mean?" So writes Brannon Howse, the founder of Worldview Weekend.

In answer to his question, I think I would define them as follows:

Tolerance is accepting others regardless of what they believe. Diversity is the understanding that we are all different in many ways, but of equal worth. Multiculturalism is understanding and respecting other cultures. And feminism is equal rights for women and men.

However, Brannon's definitions according to political correctness are quite different:

"Tolerance," he says, "means that one person never expresses a judgment about someone else's ideas, beliefs, and values from a worldview of absolute truth.

"Diversity or sensitivity training is about the normalization of the homosexual lifestyle.

"Multiculturalism is not the study of many cultures but the criticism of the Western Culture and its founding worldview of Christianity. Multiculturalism also desires to destroy patriotism.

"Feminism is not about equal rights for women but about the destruction of a patriarchal society in favor of a matriarchal society."

Obviously these terms mean different things to different people and unless we are especially discerning, we will miss their intended meaning.

I am so glad that I do not need to read the Bible in the same way that I need to listen to politicians. God speaks plainly and clearly— exactly what He means. When God says that we will be judged according to our works, that's what He means. When He says He loves us so much that He gave us His Son to die in our place so that He would not have to condemn us, that is exactly what He did and why. It is this integrity and truthfulness that are the foundation for our faith. And it is through faith that we believe unto salvation. Friend, do you believe God?