

**RELATION OF GOD TO OTHER THINGS
ACCORDING TO VARIOUS WORLDVIEWS**

VIEW	ESSENCE		IDENTITY		LOCATION	
	Transcendent (different)	Immanent (same)	Transcendent (other)	Immanent (same)	Transcendent (absent)	Immanent (present)
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DEISM	x		x		x	
Impossible	x			x	x	
Strangest		x	x		x	
Impossible		x		x	x	

THEISM	x		x		x	x
Impossible	x			x	x	x
Strangest		x	x		x	x
Impossible		x		x	x	x

PANENTHEISM	x		x			x
Impossible	x			x		x
Strangest		x	x			x
PANTHEISM		x		x		x
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b. Proposed Formulations of a Christian View of Being

(1) Formulation of Edward John Carnell

(a) Relevant Quotations from His Writings

Both levels of reality are admitted by the Xn, the normative (the one) and the contingent (the many) . . . For this reason the Xn admonishes men that there is a difference in value between the two levels of being. God is necessary being, while His creation is contingent being. Being contingent upon God's will, it is this will, and not an antecedent system of logic, which gives meaning to the movement of the space-time world. The many are teleologically related to each other according as God has decreed the end (telos) of things.
Intro to Xn Apologetics (1948), 40

THEISM: The belief in the existence of a personal, infinite Creator who is both immanent in His creation and yet who is wholly transcendent above it. God as