

**NANCY PEARCEY** will visit Cambridge Study Center on September 20th and 21st. On the evening of the 20th, she will speak to the community on "Whatever Happened to the Christian Mind?" On the 21st she will offer teacher training addressing "Total Truth: Getting Past the Gatekeepers."

In the public session she will answer the questions: Why has American public culture grown so secular? How has evangelicalism itself contributed to the privatizing of religion? A crucial strategy in crafting a Christian worldview is getting a good grasp of our own heritage and history. Mrs. Pearcey will sift through inherited patterns of anti-intellectualism, and explain how to overcome them in order to craft a full-blown Christian worldview. A book signing will be part of this session.

Training Cambridge and Lakeland Christian School teachers, Mrs. Pearcey will answer the questions: How we prepare students to speak the gospel into a secularized culture? What does it mean to have a Christian worldview? She will analyze the characteristic strategies by which Christian truth is marginalized in today's intellectual climate, then discusses ways to get past the "gatekeepers" in order to apply a Christian perspective in every subject area.

Nancy Randolph Pearcey is the Francis A. Schaeffer Scholar at the World Journalism Institute, where she teaches a worldview course based on the study guide edition of *Total Truth: Liberating Christianity from Its Cultural Captivity* ([www.totaltruthbook.com](http://www.totaltruthbook.com)). In 2005, *Total Truth* won the ECPA Gold Medallion Award in the Christianity & Society category, in addition to an Award of Merit in the Christianity Today book awards.

A former agnostic, Pearcey studied violin in Heidelberg, Germany, in the early 1970s and then traveled to Switzerland to study Christian worldview under Francis Schaeffer at L'Abri Fellowship. After graduating from Iowa State University with a Distributed Studies degree (philosophy, German, music), she earned a masters degree in Biblical Studies from Covenant Theological Seminary in St. Louis, then pursued further graduate work in the history of philosophy at the Institute for Christian Studies in Toronto (with emphases on ancient and Reformational philosophy).

Pearcey is currently a senior fellow at the Discovery Institute, where the focus of her work is on the cultural and philosophical implications of the evolution controversy. A frequent public lecturer, Pearcey has spoken to actors and screenwriters in Hollywood; students and faculty at universities such as Dartmouth, Stanford, USC, and Princeton; scientists at national labs such as Sandia and Los Alamos; staffers at Congress and the White House; and various activist and church groups around the country, including the Heritage Foundation in Washington, D.C. She has appeared on NPR, and a lecture based on *Total Truth* was broadcast by C-SPAN.

Pearcey began writing in 1977 for the nationally distributed Bible-Science Newsletter, where for 13 years she wrote pioneering in-depth monthly articles on issues related to science and Christian worldview. In 1991 she became the founding editor of BreakPoint, a national daily radio commentary program, and continued as the program's executive editor for nearly nine years, heading up a team of writers. Under her leadership, the program grew into an influential organ for teaching a Christian worldview perspective on current events, with an estimated weekly audience of five million. She was also policy director and senior fellow of the Wilberforce Forum, and for five years coauthored a monthly column in Christianity Today.

Pearcey has served as a visiting scholar at Biola University's Torrey Honors Institute, managing editor of the science journal *Origins & Design*, an editorial board member for Salem Communications Network, and a commentator on Public Square Radio. Her articles have appeared in numerous journals and magazines, including the *Washington Times*, *Human Events*, *First Things*, *Books & Culture*, *World*, *Pro Rege*, *Human Life Review*, *American Enterprise*, *The World & I*, *Homeschool Enrichment*, *Christianity Today*, and the *Regent University Law Review*.

Pearcey has authored or contributed to several works, including *The Soul of Science*, which treats the history of science and Christianity, and the best-selling, award-winning *How Now Shall We Live?* She was invited to contribute the Foreword in *The Right Questions*, as well as chapters in *Mere Creation*, *Of Pandas and People*, *Pro-Life Feminism*, *Genetic Ethics*, *Signs of Intelligence*, *Reading Gods World*, *Uncommon Dissent*, and a Phillip Johnson Festschrift titled *Darwin's Nemesis*.

Pearcey resides in Northern Virginia, where she and her husband are home schooling the second of their two sons.