The Challenge of Secularism

In this workshop we will look at what secularism is, what Christian secularism is, and how we can both deal with the threats and opportunities of a failing but increasing militant anti-religious secularism.

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I.	Under	Understanding Secularism	
	1.	History and Meaning	
	2.	Christian Secularism	
	3.	Secular Humanism	
	4.	Secularism in 21 st Century Europe	
	5.	Post Secular?	

II. Defeating Secularism

- 1. Know
- 2. Engage
- 3. Go Beyond
- 4. Gospel
- 5. Salt and Light

Suggested Readings:

Charles Taylor – *A Secular Age* – Belnap Press – 2007 John Gray – *Black Mass* – Allen Lane – 2007 Vishnal Mangalwadi – *The Book That Made Your World* – Thomas Nelson – 2011 David Robertson – *Engaging with Atheists* – Good Book – 2014