# upstream of the political question-How did we get here...culturally?

### **Culture**

"...from the Latin word cultura, which means 'agriculture'. If plowing, tilling, and cultivating come to mind, they should. In its most basic sense, culture refers to what people do with the world: we build, we invent, we imagine, we create and tear down, we replace, we compose, we design, we emphasize and dismiss, we embellish and diminish, we engineer."

### Worldview: Your answers?

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- -Personhood: What does it mean to be human?
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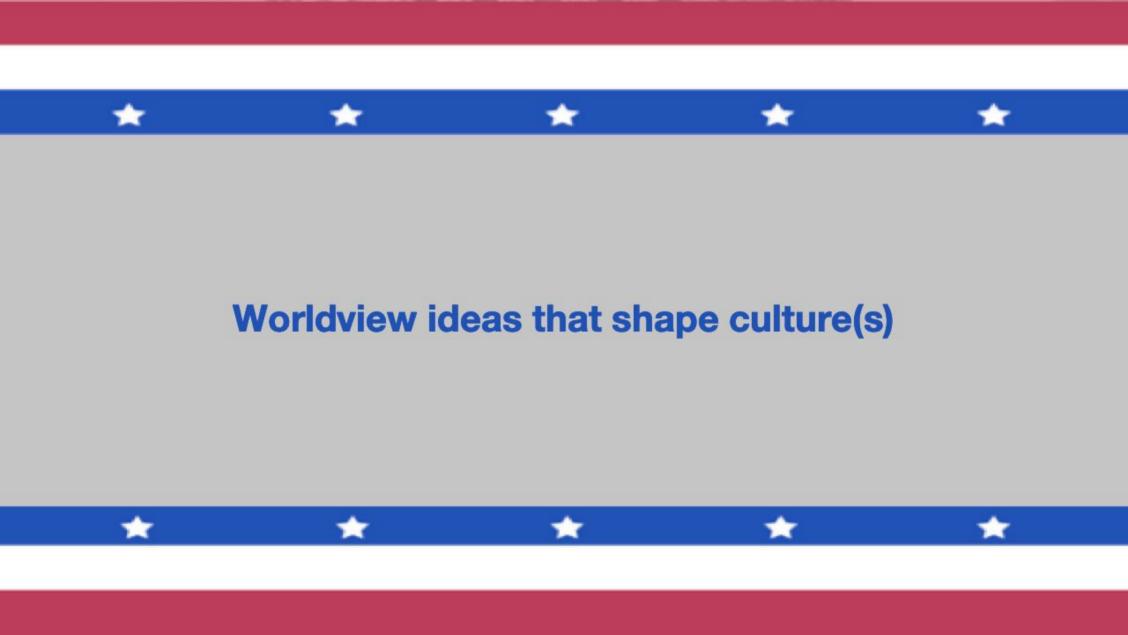
### **Proposition**

Our governing policies are products of culture, which is the product of our worldview commitments

Therefore, Politics is downstream of culture, which is downstream of worldview



# Thought questions Is 'your' America monocultural or multicultural? Your city? Workplace? Neighborhood? Home?



## Worldview: 3 important ideas

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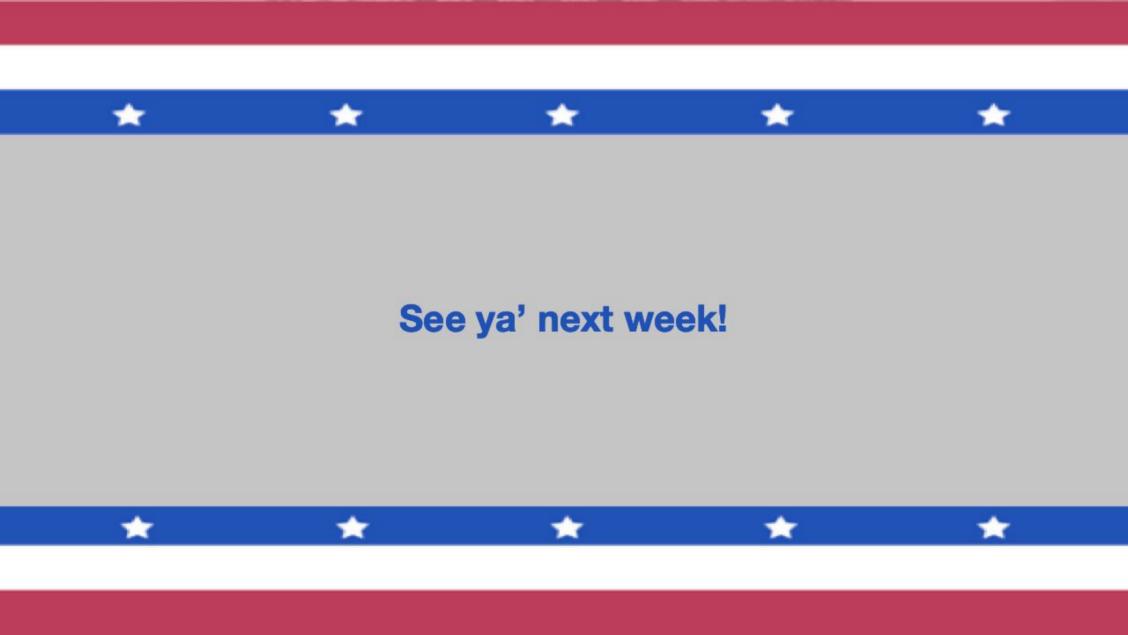
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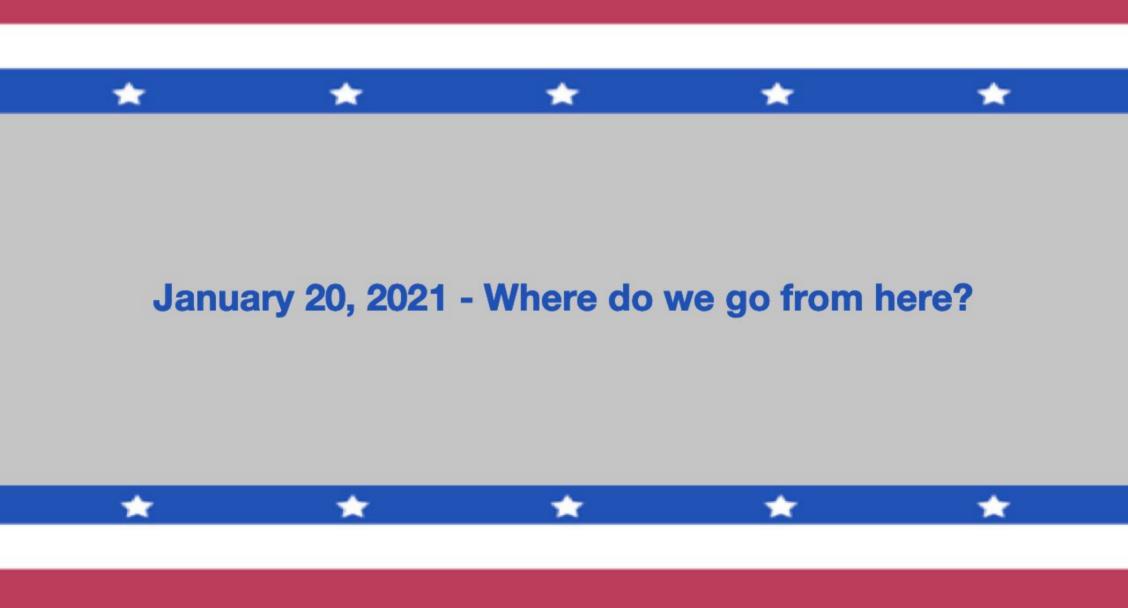
### **Culture**

Dramatic differences between cultures reveal dramatic differences in ideas about how the world 'should be'.

"In some cultures, people love their neighbors. In other cultures, they eat them."

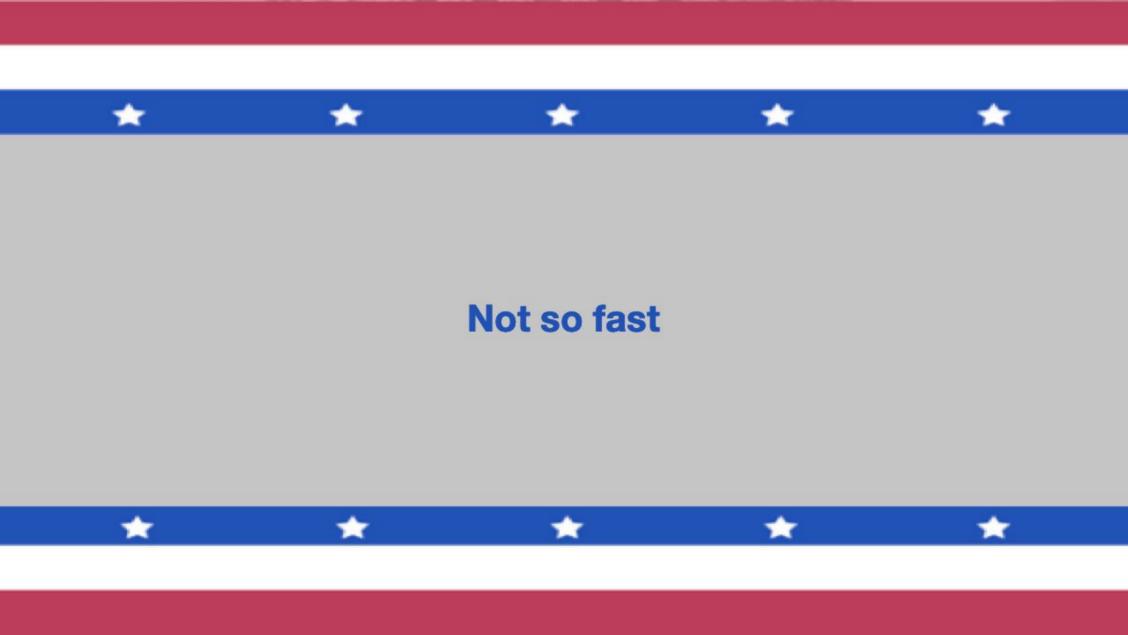
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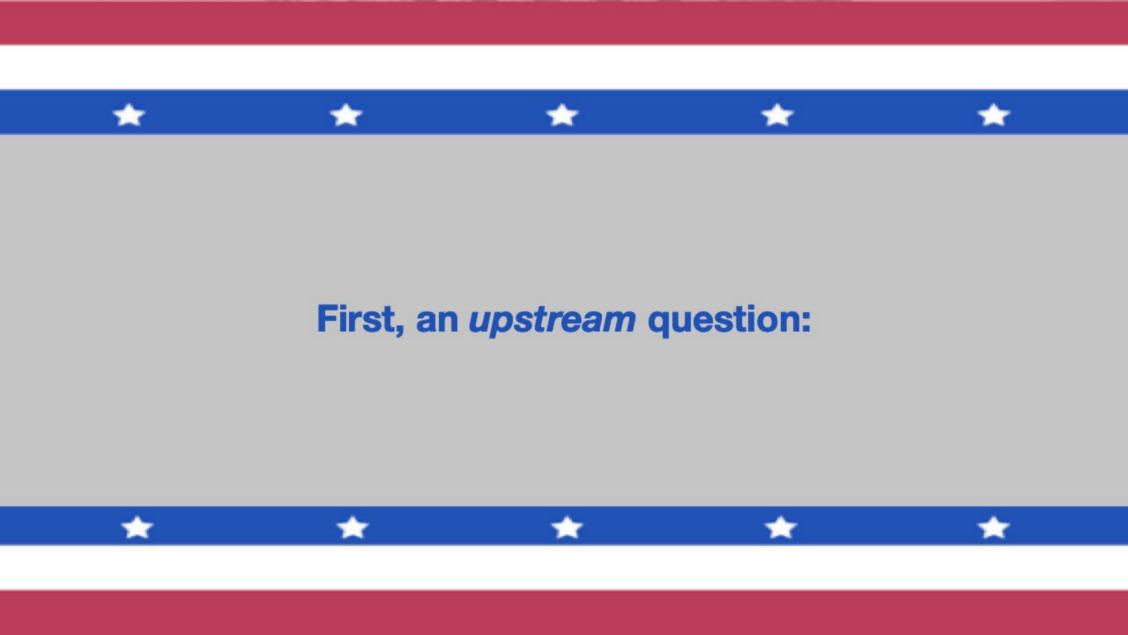


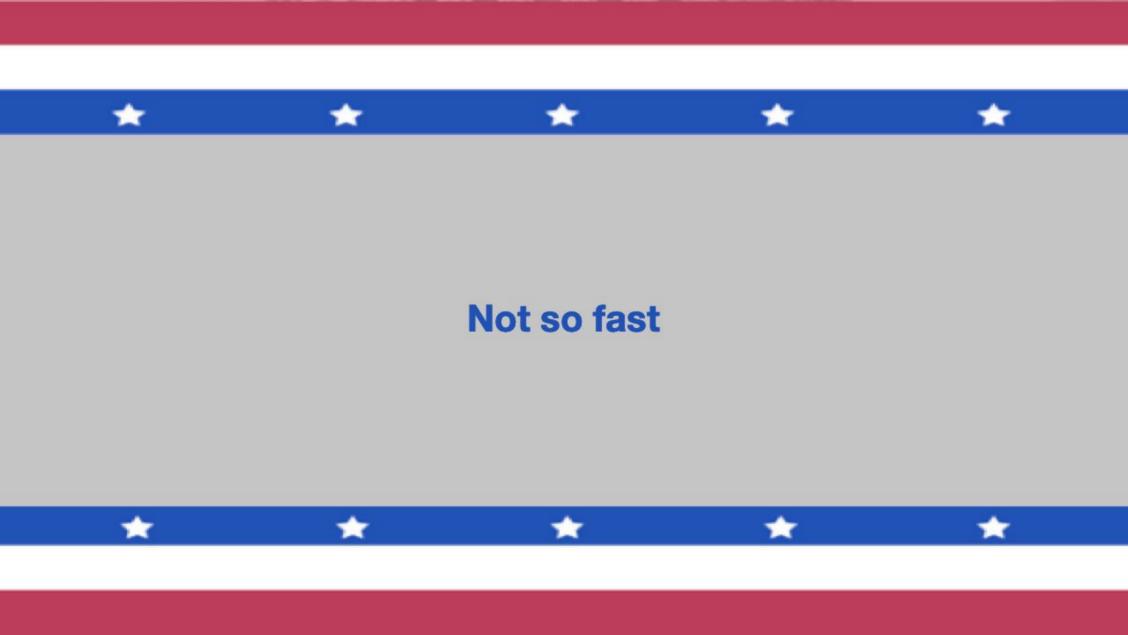


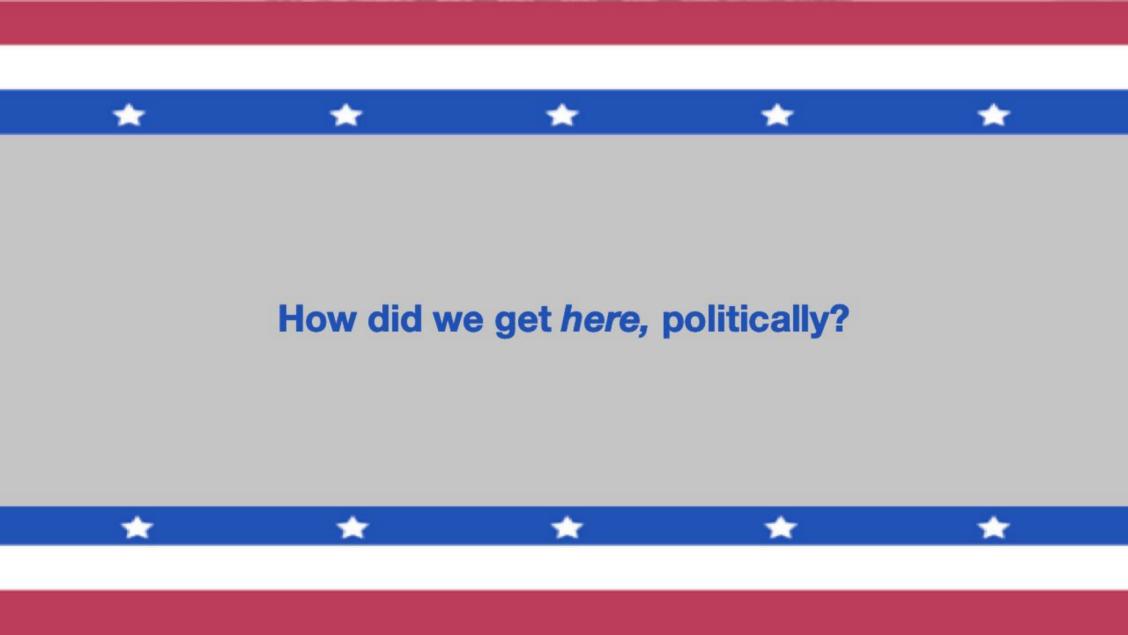
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When the righteous increase, the people rejoice, But when a wicked person rules, people groan.

Proverbs 29:2

