All affectd by environ. Satan uses world. Need to be alert
to trends today (1) to understand students (selves) and
(2) to educate helpfully.

I. We live in an existential age. "That which is related to
moment human existence incl making choices on basis of
man's freedom." Exp is king. Reason, logic have been
replaced by feeling, impluse.

A. Re Bible. Students are cons in theol. Authority of
Bible not replaced, but exp's authority is almost equal,
equal, or superior. More open twd tongues, less sure of
inerrancy, less desirous of being certain re eschat(agnosto
Antidote ("remedy to counteract effects of a poison").
Col 1:16   Stress authority of Wor
2 Tim 4:2. What exp please Him. What would please Him.

B. Re Ethics. Permissive or tolerant twd evil. Sex,alcohol,
   swearing. Not shocked. Newspapers are pornographic.
Compare reruns on TV.
Antidote Rom 16:19.Pure, innocent (Mt 10:16).

II. We live in a technological age. TV,radio,travel.compter
                circular
A. Re education. Deprecation of core, content subjects.
Little language, writing. Can't think, read, write.
Swing back. Schools need to offer lang., make read &think,
learn to express precisely in writing.
~~Goodxsidexisxvarietyxof~~ B. Re extra-cir education.
Great deal more variety. In school, paper, FM,debate,
         offer and
sports. Get as much as possible. Summer ministries,
miss exposure.

C. Re life work. Short term. School teach, sec, technicians
abroad. Warning: Lord's work not done by computers but
by dedicated people. Emphasize dedication in tech age.

III. We live in an easy-credit age. For several yrs debt
at all time high and born again Xns also. So lots must
be in debt.
A.
Re lifestyle. Kiss, simple, saint. Rom 13:8. Beware of
coveteousness. Like alcoholism. Col 3:5.Purchase of lots
of little idols = unmanageable debt. Blinded by billboards
and TV's, we cannot see the distinction bet nec and luxurs.
If blessed of God expected to exhibit high st of living.
Blessing and propperity and cause and effect.
B. Re wise planning of finances. Cash basis. Budget.
Required acct course at PCB. Planning vs faith.
Concl 1 Cor 9:24-27. or 1 Cor 7:31. Use but don't overuse.
                                         contemporary
May school under admin have discernment of world,
of student coming, and kind of training should give.