

Apologetics

Introduction to Christian Apologetics

Lesson 1

I. What Is Christian Apologetics?

To deliver an apologia then meant giving an _____ to reply and rebut charges.

Christian apologetics is the discipline of offering a _____ of and _____ for the veracity and reliability of the Christian faith.

II. Who Are Christians Apologetics For? Christians

1. Christians Should Be Able To _____ Why They Have Faith in Jesus.

(I Peter 3:15)

2. Christians Should be Able to _____ Unbiblical Worldviews.

(II Corinthians 10)

3. Christians Should Use Their _____ To the Glory of God. **(II Corinthians 10, Matthew 22)**

4. Christians Throughout _____ Have Used Apologetics to the Glory of God.

Paul (Acts 17, Phil. 1)

Christian history

Reasons or claims Christians give to not practice apologetics.

- Apologetics denies the role of _____ because apologetics offers a way to "reason oneself" into the kingdom of heaven.
- Some Christians _____ what others will think of them.
- Some Christians do not practice apologetics because they are _____.

III. Who Are Apologetics For? Non-Christians.

1. Christian apologetics _____ non-Christians' _____ and removes distractions from belief.
2. Christian apologetics, coupled with _____, points non-Christians to _____.
(Acts 17, Eph. 6)

IV. What Are the Approaches of Apologetics?

Evidentialist

We can and should use _____ evidences, or _____ in apologetics.

Presuppositional

Evidences will not convince unbelievers to follow God, because people are governed by their _____ which are naturally oriented against God.

This core seminar blends _____ of these approaches.

V. Apologetics Questions Considered In Future Weeks

Course outline

Lesson 1: Introduction to Christian Apologetics

Lesson 2: The Existence of God (No Handout)

Lesson 3: The Problem of Evil

Lesson 4: The Reliability of Scripture

Lesson 5: Resurrection (No Handout)

Lesson 6: World Religions

Lesson 7: Panel Discussion (No Handout)

Further Questions?

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