

APOLOGETICS FOR KIDS

WHAT IS APOLOGETICS?

- Apologetics comes from the Greek word "apologia" meaning "speaking in defense"
- Apologetics answers the "why" questions of Christianity
- **1 PETER 3:15**- But sanctify the Lord God in your hearts, and always be ready to give a defense to everyone who asks you a reason for the hope that is in you, with meekness and fear;

WHY APOLOGETICS IN CHILDREN'S MINISTRY?

- Apologetics equips students
 - Gives kids answers to the big and real questions they are asking (asking questions is a part of learning)
 - Helps kids build a firm foundation in their walk with God, knowing their faith is founded upon fact
 - Provides tools for kids to share their faith and disciple others
- Apologetics equips teachers
 - Provides teachers with tools to teach kids and answer their questions
 - Helps teachers to be confident and grow in their own personal walk with God

TOPICS TO COVER

WHAT IS APOLOGETICS?

3 R'S:

- BE READY**
- BE REASONABLE**
- BE RESPECTFUL**

4 QUALIFYING QUESTIONS:

- #1- WHAT DO YOU BELIEVE?**
- #2- WHY ARE YOU ASKING?**
- #3- WOULD YOU CHANGE YOUR MIND?**
- #4- WHAT WOULD MAKE YOU CHANGE YOUR MIND?**

WHY IS THERE EVIL IN THE WORLD?

- **WE LIVE IN A FALLEN WORLD**
- **SATAN HAS DOMINION AND INFLUENCE OVER THIS WORLD**
- **THE FREE WILL CHOICES OF US AND OTHERS**

DOES GOD EXIST?

5 C'S

COSMOS
COMPLEXITY OF LIFE
CONSISTENCY IN THE BIBLE
CONSCIENCE
CHANGED LIVES

IS THE BIBLE TRUE?

FACES

FULFILLED PROPHECIES
ARCHAEOLOGICAL DISCOVERIES
CONSISTENCY IN THE BIBLE
EXTRA-BIBLICAL WRITINGS
SCIENTIFIC EVIDENCE

IS JESUS GOD?

FACTS

FULFILLED PROPHECIES
ACCEPTED WORSHIP
CALLED GOD
TONS OF MIRACLES
SINLESS

CREATION VS. EVOLUTION

NO'S OF EVOLUTION:

NO TRANSITIONAL FORMS
NO EXAMPLES OF LIFE FROM NONLIFE
NO ANSWER FOR COMPLEX DESIGN

DNA OF CREATION:

DESIGN PROVES A CREATOR
NO TRANSITIONAL FORMS
ACCEPT THE BIBLE AS TRUSTWORTHY

CHRISTIANITY VS. OTHER RELIGIONS

FADS

FOCUS ON GOOD WORKS
ADD TO THE BIBLE
DENY JESUS IS GOD
SERIOUS ERRORS

ADDITIONAL RESOURCES

GOTQUESTIONS.ORG

ANSWERSINGENESIS.ORG

ONE MINUTE ANSWERS TO SKEPTICS BY CHARLIE CAMPBELL

JAWS WITHOUT TEETH BY RAY COMFORT

REASONS FOR BELIEF BY NORMAN L. GEISLER

I DON'T HAVE ENOUGH FAITH TO BE AN ATHEIST BY FRANK TUREK

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