

Christian Apologetics

Instructor: Cory Bennett

Duration: Two Semesters, 15 weeks each (30 weeks total)

Texts: *The Case for Christ*, Lee Strobel (First Semester)

The Case for Faith, Lee Strobel (Second Semester)

Holman QuickSource Guide to Christian Apologetics, Doug Powell (Both Semesters)

Cost: \$90/Semester

Introduction

In our culture, belief in Christianity is under attack at every turn. We have turned our back on the faith that shaped our land and provided the basis for most of what we know in Western culture. Scholars, theologians, the media, and acquaintances will challenge a Christian who takes his faith seriously. This class is intended to prepare a Christian to graciously respond to those who stand against Biblical faith.

Semester One

In this semester we will define Christian apologetics and focus on the uniqueness of Jesus Christ and His claims. How can He claim to be Deity, God in the Flesh? What evidence is there to back up His claims? How does a Christian respond to arguments that refute His claims?

Semester Two

In this semester we will examine the truth claims for Christianity and arguments that attack them. Many of these attacks center on the reliability and historicity of the Bible and its teachings. What does the Bible say about the evil and suffering? What is the place of science in Christianity?

This class is best taken after a study of Christian Worldview, but will stand-alone for those who have not had worldview training.

Cory Bennett first studied apologetics as a student leader in Campus Crusade for Christ as an undergraduate student at the University of Michigan. He later did post-graduate studies at the Institute of Biblical Studies and served on the staff of Campus Crusade for Christ for 23 years in a ministry of evangelism and discipleship with college students and professors. Cory has taught worldview classes to high school students for more than four years.

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