

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’RE ASKING (ASKING QUESTIONS IS 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 LEADERS
 - PROVIDES LEADERS WITH TOOLS TO TEACH KIDS AND ANSWER THEIR QUESTIONS
 - HELPS THEM 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?

- 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

- DID GOD CREATE EVERYTHING? (CREATION VS. EVOLUTION)

NO'S OF EVOLUTION

NO TRANSITIONAL FORMS
NO EXAMPLES OF LIFE FROM NON-LIFE
NO ANSWER FOR COMPLEX DESIGN

DNA OF CREATION

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

- WHAT ABOUT OTHER RELIGIONS? (CHRISTIANITY VS. OTHER RELIGIONS)

FADS

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

TIPS & TRICKS

#1- GET ON THEIR LEVEL— MAKE IT SIMPLE
#2- IT'S OKAY NOT TO KNOW ALL THE ANSWERS
#3- BUILD A SAFE SPACE FOR QUESTIONS

ADDITIONAL RESOURCES:

GOTQUESTIONS.ORG

ANSWERSINGENESIS.ORG

ONE MINUTE ANSWERS TO SKEPTICS BY CHARLIE CAMPBELL

JAWS WITHOUT TEETH BY RAY COMFORT

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