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LIVE CLASSES

How to Defend Christianity Against Atheism & Darwinism

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Syllabus

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Description:

Explore what it means to really learn, live, and defend the Christian faith in Apologia's Live Class, Christian Apologetics Training: Defending Christianity Against Atheism & Evolution, led by Larry Blythe, M.A. Apologetics, Theology, Philosophy, Pastoral Theology.

In Apologia's Live Christian Apologetics: Defending Christianity Against Atheism class, students will learn how to defend their faith against disinformation in our culture. They will examine evidence supporting the central truths of Christianity, including the existence of God, the deity and resurrection of Christ, and the authority and truth of the Bible.

Prerequisites:

None.

Course Materials:

- Geisler, Norman L., and Turek, Frank. *I Don't Have Enough Faith to Be an Atheist*. Wheaton, IL: Crossway Books, 2004. (ISBN 9781581345612)
- Turek, Frank, and Winter, Chuck. *I Don't Have Enough Faith To Be An Atheist, Workbook*. Apologia Press, 2012. (ISBN: 978-1935495840)
- Kumar, Dr. Steve, and Sarfati, Dr. Jonathan. *Christianity for Skeptics*. Creation Book Publishers, LLC., 2012. (ISBN: 9781921643491)
- Walker, Andrew T., *God and the Transgender Debate: What Does the Bible Actually Say about Gender Identity?* The Good Book Company, 2022. (ISBN: 978-1784986940)

- Branch, J. Alan. *Affirming God's Image: Addressing the Transgender Question with Science and Scripture*. Bellingham, WA: Lexham Press, 2019. (ISBN: 978-1683592761)
- Catchpoole, David, Sarfati, Jonathan, Wieland, Carl, and Batten, Don. *The Creation Answers Book*. Creation Book Publishers, LLC., 2014. (ISBN: 978-0949906625)
- Chaffey, Tim, and Lisle, Jason. *Old Earth Creationism on Trial: The Verdict Is In*. Green Forest, AR: Master Books, 2008. (ISBN: 978-0890515440)
- Biddle, Dr. Daniel A., *Debunking Evolution: What Every Christian Student Should Know* (Textbook, DVD, Student Guide). Genesis Apologetics, Inc., 2016. (ISBN: 978-1533066923)
 - FREE (pay shipping only) if you use code: "CHRISTEDUCATOR"
- Gallop, Dr. Roger G., *evolution - The Greatest Deception in Modern History*, 2nd Ed. (*Scientific Evidence for Divine Creation - Creation vs Evolution*). Ponte Vedra Beach, FL: Red Butte Press, Inc., 2014. (ISBN: 978-0982997574)

Assignment Structure:

Semester 1

7th-8th Graders	9th Graders & Up
<p style="text-align: center;">Weekly Reading 50%</p> <p>1. <i>I Don't Have Enough Faith to Be an Atheist</i> - Select Readings Only (see Special Projects)</p> <p>2. <i>Christianity for Skeptics</i></p> <p>3. <i>God and the Transgender Debate</i></p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Weekly Reading 50%</p> <p>1. <i>I Don't Have Enough Faith to Be an Atheist</i></p> <p>2. <i>Christianity for Skeptics</i></p> <p>3. <i>God and the Transgender Debate</i></p>

<p>4. <i>Affirming God's Image: Addressing the Transgender Question with Science and Scripture</i></p> <p>Read by the end of the Semester.</p> <p>Note: If you are finding any of the above books too difficult, request a special reading of select chapters from Mr. Blythe</p>	<p>4. <i>Affirming God's Image: Addressing the Transgender Question with Science and Scripture</i></p> <p>Read by the end of the semester.</p>
<p>Reading/Answer Questions 25%</p> <p><i>I Don't Have Enough Faith to Be an Atheist</i> Notebook (Partial reading only)</p> <p>(Please see "Special Projects")</p>	<p>Reading/Answer Questions 25%</p> <p><i>I Don't Have Enough Faith to Be an Atheist</i> Notebook (includes reading sidebars!)</p>
<p>Special Projects 25%</p> <p>You will be required to read four assigned chapters in <i>I Don't Have Enough Faith to Be an Atheist</i> and answer the questions in the corresponding workbook.</p> <p>(do NOT do the LOOK section)</p> <p>Helpful Research Links:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • www.garyhabermas.com/links.htm • www.Creation.com • www.crossexamined.org • www.leaderu.com/orgs/probe/docs/bib-docu.html • www.probe.org/ 	<p>Special Projects 25%</p> <p>The workbook has sections titled "LOOK" which consists of various written assignments. You are required to choose any LOOK assignment from the completed chapters, choose one of the options (there are 3 or 4 options under each LOOK), and turn it in on the due date (a total of 4 will be required—one per month). You may choose 4 options from the same chapter if you wish.</p> <p>Helpful Research Links:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • www.garyhabermas.com/links.htm • www.Creation.com

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Semester 2

7th-8th Graders	9th Graders & Up
<p>Video Project 25%</p> <p>1. Watch 8 Creation Magazine Live Videos (see below)</p> <p>2. Summary Report 1/2 page, double-spaced</p> <p>Episode 17—"15 Reasons to Take Genesis as History"</p> <p>http://creation.com/creation-magazine-live-episode-17</p>	<p>Video Project 25%</p> <p>1. Watch 8 Creation Magazine Live Videos (see below)</p> <p>2. Summary Report 1/2 page, double-spaced</p> <p>Episode 17—"15 Reasons to Take Genesis as History"</p> <p>http://creation.com/creation-magazine-live-episode-17</p>

<p>Episode 5—"What the Bible says about the Age of the Earth" http://creation.com/creation-magazine-live-episode-5</p> <p>Episode 6—"What the Science says about the Age of the Earth" http://creation.com/creation-magazine-live-episode-6</p> <p>Episode 11—"Dinosaurs and the Bible" http://creation.com/creation-magazine-live-episode-11</p> <p>Episode 12—"Aliens and UFOs—what are they really?" http://creation.com/creation-magazine-live-episode-12</p> <p>Episode 15—"Noah's Flood: Key to Understanding the Age of the Earth (Part 1)" http://creation.com/creation-magazine-live-episode-15</p> <p>Episode 16—"Noah's Flood: Key to Understanding the Age of the Earth (Part 2)" http://creation.com/creation-Magazine-live-episode-16</p> <p>Episode 22—"Refuting arguments against Noah's Flood" http://creation.com/creation-magazine-live-episode</p>	<p>Episode 5—"What the Bible says about the Age of the Earth" http://creation.com/creation-magazine-live-episode-5</p> <p>Episode 6—"What the Science says about the Age of the Earth" http://creation.com/creation-magazine-live-episode-6</p> <p>Episode 11—"Dinosaurs and the Bible" http://creation.com/creation-magazine-live-episode-11</p> <p>Episode 12—"Aliens and UFOs—what are they really?" http://creation.com/creation-magazine-live-episode-12</p> <p>Episode 15—"Noah's Flood: Key to Understanding the Age of the Earth (Part 1)" http://creation.com/creation-magazine-live-episode-15</p> <p>Episode 16—"Noah's Flood: Key to Understanding the Age of the Earth (Part 2)" http://creation.com/creation-Magazine-live-episode-16</p> <p>Episode 22—"Refuting arguments against Noah's Flood" http://creation.com/creation-magazine-live-episode</p>
<p>Pop Quizzes 25%</p> <p>Approximately every week</p>	<p>Pop Quizzes 25%</p> <p>Approximately every week</p>

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4. *Evolution - The Greatest Deception in Modern History*

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Class Canvas Portal:

Students will access the course through the Canvas course portal:

<https://apologia.instructure.com/>.

Weekly Live Lecture:

Mondays, 12:30 p.m. - 1:30 p.m. EST

Help and Questions Outside of Live Class:

You can contact your instructor at MrBlythe@Apologia.com.