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?

<u>3 R'S:</u> 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?

<u>5 C'S</u>

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?

<u>FACTS</u>

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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