

Apologetics Lecture Outline

Week 1

Defending The Faith

The study of Apologetics is far reaching, and wide ranging. From proving the authenticity and accuracy of the Bible to the evidence pointing to the reality of Christ, the crucifixion, and his resurrection. Collectively the evidence can be described within a well-known acronym, MAPS, representing the Manuscripts, the Archaeology, the Prophecy, and the Statistics we find within the study of Apologetics.

This brief series of lessons fits within that acronym.

Week 2 – Questions about Savior and our faith

Questions we'll address as we begin this study:

How can followers of Christ say that he is “the only way” to heaven?

How do we even know Christ's exists?

Aren't the other religions just another way to get to heaven. Doesn't the Bible say God desires that all be saved and that Jesus died for all?

Who do other religions say Christ is?

We say Jesus is the Only Son of God, the true Messiah, the savior, the King of Kings and Lord of Lords

The **Jews** say that Jesus was a teacher who was crucified for saying he was the Messiah, he died on the cross. We continue to wait for the true Messiah to return and set up His earthly kingdom.

The followers of **Islam**, the Muslim faith, state that Jesus was a true prophet and teacher who did actually exist, he was crucified on the cross and died. Muhammed is their prophet and the founder of Islam. Based on revelations from Allah, Muhammed wrote the Koran. Muhammed is regarded by them as God's messenger to the world.

The **Mormons** say that Jesus is the son of God but Satan is his spirit brother, they also say that Jesus was a child born to one of God's many wives, etc, etc, and that after his death and resurrection he came to the Americas.