

Fall Semester 2017
Very Preliminary Course Syllabus*
Department: Systematic Theology
Course Title: Key Issues in Christian Apologetics
Course Number: ME/ST 620
Credit Hours: 3
Thursdays: Chapel: 8:30-9:10
9:20-12:00

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Course Description:

A study of the claims of historical biblical Christianity so as to commend the gospel to contemporary people. The course considers the cultural, philosophical and moral problems of individuals and of society.

Course Objectives

By the end of the course, you should be familiar with some of the historic and contemporary challenges to Christian faith, and how these challenges have been addressed by Christian apologists.

You should be able to analyze arguments raised by both critics of and defenders of Christian faith and have some confidence in your ability to address contemporary challenges to Christian faith, both orally and in writing.

You should have greater clarity about your own Christian theological convictions, possible challenges to them, and how they can be defended.

Textbooks

The following textbooks are required for the course:

W. Norris Clarke, S.J. *Person and Being*. Marquette University Press, 1993. ISBN-13: 978-0874621600. List Price: \$15.

Craig A. Evans. *Fabricating Jesus: How Modern Scholars Distort the Gospels* Downers Grove: Intervarsity Press, 2008. ISBN-13: 978-0830833559. List Price: \$22.00

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David Bentley Hart. *The Doors of the Sea: Where Was God in the Tsunami?* Grand Rapids: Wm. B. Eerdmans Publishing Co., 2011. ISBN-13: 978-0802866868, List Price: \$12.00.

Alister E. McGrath. *Surprised by Meaning: Science, Faith, and How We Make Sense of Things*. Louisville: John Knox Westminster Press, 2011. ISBN-13: 978-0664236922. List Price: \$18.00.

Leslie Newbigin. *Proper Confidence: Faith, Doubt and Uncertainty in Christian Discipleship*. Grand Rapids: Wm. B. Eerdmans Publishing Co., 1995. ISBN-13: 978-0802808561. List Price: \$14.70.

N. T. Wright. *Simply Good News: Why the Gospel Is News and What Makes It Good*. NY: HarperCollins, 2015. ISBN-13: 978-0062334350. List Price: \$17.99

Course Requirements

Please read the assigned sections of the textbooks in advance of the class, so that you can play a part in class discussions.

In addition to the assigned readings, students will be responsible for four short seminar papers/presentations (4-6 pages, double spaced for MDiv and MAR students, 7-10 pages for STM students) on some aspect of the reading for the class session. In addition to the course reading, please consult two or three other sources relating to the topic. The student leading the discussion will be expected to produce a summary of the reading with an analysis and critical evaluation of the argument and questions for further discussion. Your papers should summarize the ideas of the reading for the session, comment on what the author says, show where you agree or disagree. For top grades, you should develop your own argument. Raise two or three questions for discussion at the end.

Please submit copies of your presentation to Google Classroom at least one day in advance.

Finally, each student will prepare a research paper on a classic or contemporary apologist or on a historic or contemporary challenge to Christian faith or on any issue that might have implications for apologetics, for example, issues by philosophy, history, theodicy, culture. MDiv and MAR papers should be no less than ten and no more than fifteen to twenty pages in length. STM papers should be no less than fifteen and no more than twenty-five to thirty pages in length.

The final paper will be due on December 22 (the last day to submit work or file an “Incomplete”).

Course Evaluation

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The seminar presentations will constitute 50% of the grade.

The final paper will constitute 40% of the grade.

Class Participation will constitute 10% of the grade.

Grades

The Academic Bulletin assigns the following values to grades:

A	Excellent
B	Good
C	Average
D	Failure
F	Failure

In the liberal arts, there is always a subjective element in grading insofar as grades reflect qualitative work rather than quantitative measures. For theological work, a number of factors enter into grading: competence in understanding and summarizing material; insightful comments; thoughtful argumentation in addition to summarizing and commenting. Generally, the more of these factors that are present, the higher the grade, but other factors will also be taken into account, for example, organizational coherence, narrative flow of argument, lucidity. (Longer is not necessarily better.) In addition, in a seminar format, oral presentation and ability to engage questions and responses plays a factor in the final grade as well as respect for time limits.

Week 1: September 7

Introduction

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What is Apologetics?

Week 2: September 14

Apologetics in a Post-Modern Setting

Reading: Newbiggin, 1-65

Week 3: September 21

Reading: Newbiggin, 65-105

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Week 4: September 28

Worldview

Reading: Wright, 1-88.

Week 5: October 5

Worldview

Reading: Wright, 89-172

Week 6: October 12

History and the New Testament: The “historical” Jesus

Reading: Evans, *Fabricating Jesus*, 7-77, 100-122.

Reading Week: October 16-20 (No Class)

Week 7: October 26

History and the New Testament: The “historical” Jesus

Evans, 123-157, 180-235.

Week 8: November 2

Philosophy and Ontology

Reading: Clarke, *Person and Being*, 1-42.

Week 9: November 9

Philosophy and Ontology

Reading: Clarke, 43-113.

Week 10: November 16

Theodicy

Reading: Hart, *The Doors of the Sea*, 1-44.

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Thanksgiving Holiday (No Classes): November 22-24

Week 11: November 30

Theodicy

Reading: Hart, 45-104.

Week 12: December 7

Science and Theology

Reading: McGrath, 1-48

Week 13: December 14

Science and Theology

Reading: McGrath, 49-115

December 23: Final Research Papers Due

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Trinity School for Ministry Student Outcomes:

The stated outcomes for the degree program of the school are

MDiv

1. The student will recognize and identify the biblical theology evident in the course work.
2. The student will be able to articulate an Anglican understanding of biblical, historical, systematic, and pastoral theology.
3. The student will be able to communicate effectively the Christian message to a diversity of people in order to advance the mission of God.
4. The student will be prepared to effectively lead in a variety of Christian communities.

MAR

1. The student will recognize and identify the biblical theology evident in the course work.
2. The student will be able to articulate an Anglican understanding of biblical, historical, systematic, and pastoral theology.
3. The student will be able to communicate effectively the Christian message to a diversity of people in order to advance the mission of God.
4. The student will be equipped to apply scholarship to the life of the church in his or her chosen theological discipline.

STM

1. The student will recognize and identify the biblical theology evident in the course work.
2. The student will be able to articulate an Anglican understanding of biblical, historical, systematic, and pastoral theology.
3. The student will be able to communicate effectively the Christian message to a diversity of people in order to advance the mission of God.
4. *The student will be equipped to successfully pursue further independent research and postgraduate study in his or her chosen theological discipline.*

As a course in Systematic Theology, the primary focus of *Christian Apologetics* is to fulfill the systematic area of outcome 2 in all four degree programs. There is no distinctively Anglican approach to apologetics; two of the authors read in the course are Anglican thinkers. N.T. Wright is an Anglican New Testament scholar and retired bishop; Alister McGrath is an Anglican theologian. Insofar as the course fulfills ME requirements, it also is oriented to fulfilling outcome 3, as a key focus of Apologetics is addressing the concerns and questions raised by both Christians and non-Christians that challenge Christian faith. The course is not primarily a course in “biblical theology” (outcome 1); nonetheless, because apologetics addresses questions of the intellectual and moral coherence as well as the historical referents of the biblical story, the course touches indirectly on Outcome 1. Finally, the research and writing involved in preparing the short seminar and final papers address account 4 for the MAR and STM degrees.

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Bibliography for Apologetics Research

Note: The purpose of this bibliography is to give you some ideas on where to get started for supplementary materials on your short papers or for your final research paper. Who are some of the people you might want to look at? What are some of the issues and ideas apologists discuss? This list is not at all comprehensive. In most cases, I have mentioned only one or two books by an individual author. Many more are usually available. For example, C. S. Lewis, Etienne Gilson, Alvin Plantinga or Richard Swinburne have written numerous books that deal with or relate to apologetics issues. If you find an author who interests you, find out what else he or she has written.

History

Avery Cardinal Dulles. *A History of Apologetics*. San Francisco: Ignatius Press, 2005. The only really complete history—includes Catholic, Anglican and Protestant figures.

Dictionaries

W. C. C. Campbell-Jack, Gavin McGrath, C. Stephen Evans, eds. *New Dictionary of Christian Apologetics*. InterVarsity, 2006. Edited by former Trinity faculty member.

Philip Quinn and Charles Taliaferro, eds. *A Companion to the Philosophy of Religion*. Cambridge: Blackwell, 1997.

Comparative Approaches

Steven Cowan, Stanley Gundry, William Lane Craig and Paul Feinberg. *Five Views on Apologetics*. Zondervan, 2000.

Historical Apologists

Patristic

Justin Martyr. *First and Second Apology, Dialogue with Trypho, a Jew*

Ireneaus. *Against Heresies* (Gnosticism)

Athenegoras. *A Plea for Christians, The Resurrection of the Dead*

Clement of Alexandria. *Exhortation to the Heathen*

Origen. *Against Celsus* (Response to pagan criticisms)

Augustine of Hippo. *The Confessions* (the problem of evil), *The City of God* (the meaning of history)

Secondary Sources

Jaroslav Pelikan. *Christianity and Classical Culture: The Metamorphosis of Natural*

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Theology in the Christian Encounter with Hellenism. New Haven: Yale University Press, 1993 (on the Cappadocians)

There are numerous texts on Augustine of Canterbury.

Medieval

Anselm of Canterbury. *Monologian, Proslogian* (ontological argument for existence of God), *Cur Deus Homo* (Why God became human).

Thomas Aquinas. *Summa Contra Gentiles* (On the Truth of the Catholic Faith), *Summa Theologiae* (cosmological argument for the existence of God)

Secondary Sources

Etienne Gilson's numerous texts on Christian philosophy are a good place to start. There are many texts on Anselm, Aquinas, etc.

Post-Reformation Anglican

John Jewel. *Apology for the Church of England* (Against Rome and for Reformed Catholicism)

Richard Hooker. *Laws of Ecclesiastical Polity* (Against Puritanism and for Reformed Catholicism)

Joseph Butler. *The Analogy of Religion, Natural and Revealed* (Against Deism)

Twentieth-Century

Roman Catholicism

G. K. Chesterton. *Heretics, Orthodoxy, The Everlasting Man*

Jacques Maritain (Thomist philosopher; numerous works)

Etienne Gilson. (Thomist historian of Medieval philosophy; numerous works)

Bernard Lonergan (theologian and Transcendental Thomist epistemology; author of *Insight*)

Peter Kreeft (former Evangelical convert; author of numerous works)

Anglican

A. E. Taylor (Classicist; moral philosopher)

C.S. Lewis (Christian convert; numerous works)

Dorothy Sayers (novelist and apologist)

Austin Farrer (biblical scholar and philosopher)

Eric L. Mascall (Anglo-Catholic theologian and Thomist philosopher; wrote many broadly apologetic works)

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Protestant

James Orr (Scottish Reformed, relatively unknown outside Evangelical circles)
Cornelius Van Til (Orthodox Presbyterian, founder of “Presuppositionalist” apologetics)
Alvin Plantinga (Reformed analytical philosopher; advocate of “Reformed” epistemology and “possible worlds” metaphysics; founder of modern Christian Philosophical Association).

Contemporary Issues

Epistemology (philosophy of knowledge) and Post-Modernism

Thomas S. Kuhn. *The Structure of Scientific Revolutions*. Chicago: University of Chicago Press, 1962, 1970.

Bernard Lonergan. *Insight: A Study of Human Understanding, Volume 3 (Collected Works of Bernard Lonergan)*. Toronto: University of Toronto Press, 1992.

Alasdair MacIntyre. *After Virtue*. Notre Dame: University of Notre Dame Press, 1981.

_____. *Three Rival Versions of Moral Enquiry: Encyclopedia, Genealogy, and Tradition*. Notre Dame: University of Notre Dame Press, 1990.

J. Richard Middleton and Brian J. Walsh. *Truth is Stranger Than It Used to Be*. Downers Grove: InterVarsity, 1995.

John Milbank. *Theology and Social Theory: Beyond Secular Reason*. Wiley-Blackwell, 2006.

Leslie Newbigin. *Proper Confidence: Faith, Doubt and Certainty in Christian Discipleship*. Grand Rapids: Eerdmans, 2005.

_____. *The Gospel in a Pluralist Society*. Grand Rapids: Eerdmans, 1989

Timothy Philips and Dennis Ockholm. *Christian Apologetics in the Post-Modern World*. Downers Grove: InterVarsity, 1995.

Michael Polanyi. *Personal Knowledge: Towards a Post-Critical Philosophy*. Chicago: University of Chicago Press, 1958, 1962.

Charles Taylor. *A Secular Age*. Cambridge: Harvard University Press, 2007.

Anthony Thiselton. *Interpreting God and the Postmodern Self: On Meaning, Manipulation and Promise*. Grand Rapids: Eerdmans, 1995.

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Kevin J. Vanhoozer. *Is There a Meaning in This Text? The Bible, the Reader and the Morality of Literary Knowledge*. Grand Rapids: Zondrvan, 1998.

Worldview

Eric L. Mascall. *The Christian Universe*. New York: Morehouse-Barlow., 1965. (An earlier Anglican worldview apology.)

J. Richard Middleton and Brian J. Walsh. *The Transforming Vision: Shaping a Christian Worldview*. Downers Grove: InterVarsity, 1984.

David Naugle. *Worldview: The History of a Concept*. Grand Rapids: Eerdmans, 2002.

James Orr. *The Christian View of God and the World, as Centering in the Incarnation* (1902) (one of the first “worldview” apologies. Orr wrote many other apologetic works.)

James W. Sire. *The Universe Next Door: A Basic Worldview Catalog*. Downers Grove: InterVarsity, 1997.

_____. *Naming the Elephant: Worldview as a Concept*. Downers Grove: InterVarsity, 2004.

Albert M. Wolters. *Creation Regained: Biblical Basics for a Reformational Worldview*. Grand Rapids: Eerdmans, 2005.

N. T. Wright. *Simply Christian: Why Christianity Makes Sense*. San Francisco: Harper, 2006.

Scripture

Old Testament

Paul Copan. *Did God Command Genocide? Coming to Terms with the Justice of God*. Grand Rapids: Baker Books, 2014.

Paul Copan. *Is God a Moral Monster? Making Sense of the Old Testament God*. Grand Rapids: Baker Books, 2011.

David T. Lamb. *God Behaving Badly: Is the God of the Old Testament Angry, Sexist and Racist?* Downers Grove: InterVarsity Press, 2011.

Christopher J. Wright. *Old Testament Ethics for the People of God*. Downers Grove: InterVarsity Press, 2011.

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Historical Jesus

Richard Bauckham. *Jesus and the Eyewitnesses: The Gospels as Eyewitness Testimony*. Grand Rapids: Eerdmans, 2006.

Markus Bockmuehl, ed. *The Cambridge Companion to Jesus*. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, 2001.

Marcus Borg and N. T. Wright. *The Meaning of Jesus: Two Visions*. San Francisco: HarperSanFrancisco, 1999.

Craig Evans. *Fabricating Jesus: How Modern Scholars Distort the Gospels*. Downers Grove: InterVarsity Press, 2006.

Craig Evans. *From Jesus to the Church: The First Christian Generation*. Westminster John Knox Press, 2014.

Craig Evans. *Jesus and his World: The Archaeological Evidence*. Westminster John Knox Press, 2013.

Ben Witherington. *The Jesus Quest: The Third Quest for the Jew of Nazareth*. Grand Rapids: InterVarsity, 1995.

Ben Witherington.. *What Have They Done With Jesus? Beyond Strange Theories and Bad History – Why We Can Trust the Bible*. San Francisco: HarperSanFrancisco,

The Resurrection

William Lane Craig. *Knowing the Truth About the Resurrection*. Ann Arbor: Servant Books, 1988.

Stephen T. Davis. *Risen Indeed: Making Sense of the Resurrection*. Grand Rapids: Eerdmans, 1993.

Stephen T. Davis, Daniel Kendall, and Gerald O'Collins. *The Resurrection: An International Symposium on the Resurrection of Jesus*. Oxford: Oxford University Press, 1997.

Michael R. Licona. *The Resurrection of Jesus: A New Historiographical Approach*. Downers Grove: InterVarsity Press, 2010.

Frank Morison. *Who Moved the Stone?* Grand Rapids: Zondervan, 1988. (This is an older work, originally published in 1930, but still interesting. Morison was a journalist

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who set out to prove that the resurrection was a myth, but who became a Christian in the process.

A. Michael Ramsey. *The Resurrection of Christ*. Philadelphia: Westminster Press, 1946.

N. T. Wright. *The Resurrection of the Son of God*. Minneapolis: Fortress Press, 2003.

Philosophy

(The following two books are collections of essays by contemporary Christian philosophers who “give their testimony.”)

Kelly James Clark, ed. *Philosophers Who Believe: The Spiritual Journeys of Eleven Leading Thinkers*. Downers Grove: InterVarsity Press, 1993.

Thomas Morris, ed. *God and the Philosophers: The Reconciliation of Faith and Reason*. New York: Oxford University Press, 1994.

BTW, Tom Morris is also author of *Philosophy for Dummies*. IDG Books, 1999. Morris left teaching at the University of Notre Dame and now writes books on leadership and success and gives talks to major corporations who pay him book bucks to talk about things like *If Aristotle Ran General Motors* or *If Harry Potter Ran General Electric*.

Traditional Thomist (Catholic and Anglican)

W. Norris Clarke. *Person and Being*. Marquette University Press, 1993, 1998.

Etienne Gilson. *God and Philosophy*. New Haven: Yale University Press, 1941.(numerous other books)

Herbert McCabe. *God Matters*. Springfield: Templegate Publishers, 1987.

Eric L. Mascall. *The Openness of Being: Natural Theology Today*. Philadelphia: Westminster, 1971.

Thomas Joseph White. *Wisdom in the Face of Modernity: A Study in Thomistic Natural Theology*. Sapientia Press, 2009.

Other Anglicans

Austin Farrer. *God is Not Dead*. New York: Morehouse-Barlow, 1966.

C. S. Lewis. *Miracles: A Preliminary Study*. Harper, 2001.

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Basil Mitchell. *The Justification of Religious Belief*. London: Macmillan, 1973.

A. E. Taylor. *The Faith of a Moralist*. London: Macmillan, 1932.

Keith Ward. *God: A Guide for the Perplexed*. Oneworld Publications, 2005.

Reformed Philosophy

Alvin Plantinga. *God and Other Minds: A Study of the Rational Justification of Belief in God*. Ithaca: Cornell University Press, 1967. (Reformed philosopher and founder of new school of Analytical Evangelical Philosophy associated with the Society of Christian Philosophers. Their Journal, *Faith and Philosophy*, can be found at philosophy.)

Alvin Plantinga and Nicholas Wolterstorff. *Faith and Rationality: Reason and Belief in God*. Notre Dame: University of Notre Dame Press, 1991.

Nicholas Wolterstorff. *Reason Within the Bounds of Religion*. Grand Rapids: Eerdmans, 1976, 1984.

Philosophical Theology (Other)

Colin E. Gunton. *The One, The Three and The Many: God, Creation and the Culture of Modernity*. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, 1993. (English Evangelical, neither Anglican nor Reformed)

Richard Swinburne. *The Coherence of Theism*. Oxford: Clarendon Press, 1977. (former Anglican, now Eastern Orthodox).

Also helpful are numerous books, dictionaries, encyclopedias, readers with either “Philosophy of Religion” or “Philosophical Theology” in the title or subject matter.

Theodicy (The Problem of Evil)

Brian Davies. *The Reality of God and the Problem of Evil*. London, New York: Continuum, 2006.

C. S. Lewis. *The Problem of Pain*. New York: Macmillan, 1962.

David Bentley Hart. *The Doors of the Sea: Where Was God in the Tsunami?* Grand Rapids: Eerdmans, 2011.

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Alvin Plantinga. *God, Freedom and Evil*. Grand Rapids: Eerdmans, 1974.

Richard Swinburne. *Providence and the Problem of Evil*. Oxford: Oxford University Press, 1998.

Jerry Walls. *Hell: The Logic of Damnation*. Notre Dame: University of Notre Dame Press, 1992.

Barry L. Whitney, ed. *Theodicy: An Annotated Bibliography on the Problem of Evil*. Bowling Green: Bowling Green University, 1998.

N. T. Wright. *Evil and the Justice of God*. Downers Grove: InterVarsity, 2006.

Science

Theistic Evolution

Francis S. Collins. *The Language of God: A Scientist Presents Evidence for Belief*. New York: Free Press, 2006.

Etienne Gilson. *From Aristotle to Darwin and Back Again: A Journey in Final Causality, Species and Evolution*. Notre Dame: University of Notre Dame Press, 1984.

Owen Gingerich. *God's Planet*. Cambridge: Harvard University Press, 2014.

Owen Gingerich. *God's Universe*. Cambridge: Harvard University Press, 2006.

Stanley Jaki. *Cosmos and Creator*. Edinburgh: Scottish Academic Press, 1980.

Alister McGrath. *Darwinism and the Divine: Evolutionary Thought and Natural Theology*. Oxford ; Malden, MA : Wiley-Blackwell, 2011.

Alister McGrath. *A Fine-Tuned Universe: The Quest for God in Science and Theology*. Louisville: Westminster John Knox, 2009.

Alister McGrath. *The Science of God*. Grand Rapids: Eerdmans, 2004.

Alvin Plantinga. *Where the Conflict Really Lies: Science, Religion, and Naturalism*. Oxford University Press, 2011.

John Polkinghorne. *Belief in God in an Age of Science*. New Haven Yale, 2003.

_____. *The Faith of a Physicist: Reflections of a Bottom-Up Thinker*. Princeton: Princeton University Press, 1994.

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Intelligent Design

William Dembski. *Intelligent Design: The Bridge Between Science and Theology*. Downers Grove: InterVarsity, 1999.

Michael Behe. *Darwin's Blackbox: The Biochemical Challenge to Evolution*. New York: Simon & Schuster, 1998.

Phillip Johnson. *Darwin on Trial*. Downers Grove: InterVarsity Press, 1993.

The New Atheism

William T. Cavanaugh. *The Myth of Religious Violence: Secular Ideology and the Roots of Modern Conflict*. Oxford: Oxford University Press, 2009.

William Lane Craig & Chad Meister. *God is Good, God is Great: Why Believing in God Is Reasonable and Responsible*. Downers Grove: InterVarsity Press, 2009.

Stewart Goetz and Charles Taliaferro. *Naturalism (Interventions)*. Grand Rapids: Eerdmans, 2008.

David Bentley Hart. *Atheist Delusions: The Christian Revolution and Its Fashionable Enemies*. New Haven: Yale University Press, 2009.

David Bentley Hart. *The Beauty of the Infinite: The Aesthetics of Christian Truth*. Grand Rapids: Eerdmans, 2004.

David Bentley Hart. *The Experience of God: Being, Consciousness, Bliss*. New Haven: Yale University Press, 2014.

Alister and Joanna McGrath. *The Dawkins Delusion: Atheist Fundamentalism and the Denial of the Divine*. Downers Grove. IVP, 2007.

Alister E. McGrath. *Surprised by Meaning: Science, Faith, and How We Make Sense of Things*. Louisville: John Knox Westminster Press, 2011

Other popular apologists or one-volume apologetics.

Paul Copan and William Lane Craig. *Passionate Conviction: Contemporary Discourses on Christian Apologetics*. Nashville: B & H Academics, 2007.

Peter Kreeft and Ronald Tacelli. *Handbook of Christian Apologetics*. Downers Grove: InterVarsity, 1994.

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Alister E. McGrath. *Bridge-Building: Effective Christian Apologetics*. Leicester: InterVarsity, 1992.

Alister E. McGrath. *Mere Apologetics: How to Help Seekers and Skeptics Find Faith*. Grand Rapids: Baker Books, 2012

Lee Strobel. *The Case for Faith: A Journalist Investigates the Toughest Objections to Christianity*. Grand Rapids: Zondervan, 2000.

Ravi Zacharias. *Jesus Among Other Gods: The Absolute Claims of the Christian Message*. Nashville: W Publishing, 2000.

Other places to look:

The Gifford Lectures: the actual texts of many can be read here:

<http://www.giffordlectures.org/browse.asp>

The Bampton Lectures: the complete list can be found at Wikipedia:

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Bampton_Lectures

Other interesting sources for apologetics (positive and negative) and possible paper topics include literature and film. For example:

Fyodor Dostoevsky's *The Brothers Karamazov*

C. S. Lewis's fiction, including: *The Pilgrim's Regress* and *Till We Have Faces*, *The Space Trilogy*.

J. K. Rowling's *Harry Potter* series

J. R. R. Tolkien's *The Lord of the Rings*

Dan Brown's *The DaVinci Code*

Film and Television, e.g., *The Matrix*, *Star Wars*

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