Apologetics Resources

The following websites contain a wide range of useful Christian apologetics resources (though certainly not complete). Please note that many of these websites will not agree with the content of other websites on this list. The goal of this resource is to provide a broad variety of sites, so that individuals can search out the sites that prove to be most helpful to them personally and align best with their personal beliefs. Various articles listed on these websites may or may not be aligned with the beliefs of Gateway Community Church, but they generally all fit within mainstream, orthodox Christianity. The sites are arranged alphabetically.

Online resources

www.answersingenesis.org

An apologetics ministry "dedicated to helping Christians defend their faith and proclaim the gospel of Jesus Christ effectively", focusing particularly on questions about the book of Genesis regarding "issues such as creation, evolution, science, and the age of the earth."

www.apologetics.com

"Apologetics.com exists to remove intellectual impediments to Christian faith, thereby enhancing believers' confidence in, and weakening skeptics' objections to, the gospel message. We seek to provide the best answers to the most challenging objections to Christian faith in a manner that is most effective with inquirers and most glorifying to God."

www.apologetics315.com

"The vision of Apologetics 315 is to provide educational resources for the defense of the Christian faith, with the goal of strengthening the faith of believers and engaging the question and challenges of other worldviews." This site is quite extensive.

www.apologeticsguy.com

The ministry of Mikel del Rosario – on his website "you'll discover some of the most important lessons I learned during my graduate work in apologetics, my current studies in theology, and practical training tips from over 14 years of

teaching apologetics to students, adults, and even on the mission field—in a way that's really accessible."

www.apologeticsindex.org

"The Apologetics Index 'family of web sites' provides... research resources on religious cults, sects, new religious movements, alternative religions, apologetics-, anticult-, and countercult organizations, doctrines, religious practices and world views."

www.apologeticspress.org

Apologetics Press is dedicated to making "available more scripturally sound and scientifically accurate materials in the field of Christian apologetics."

www.arcapologetics.org

"The Apologetics Resource Center is about the process of understanding the times and the alien philosophies opposed to God's truth, as well as understanding and effecting the antidote of both knowing God's truth and being the truth in our home, neighborhood, and culture."

www.arn.org

Access Research Network focuses "on such controversial issues as genetic engineering, euthanasia, computer technology, environmental issues, creation/evolution, fetal tissue research, AIDS, and so on.... We put science topics in perspective by looking at related political, ethical and philosophical issues—so you can get a well-rounded understanding of the hot issues."

www.bethinking.org

The website "bethinking.org exists to help you make sense of the big questions about life" through Engaging, Exploring, Comparing and Relating. This website offers helpful tools according to introductory, intermediate and advanced levels.

www.bible.org

A collection of resources about the Bible of different levels of quality, but includes serialised chapters of a book by Kenneth D. Boa and Robert M Bowman starting at http://bible.org/series/faith-has-its-reasons.

www.carm.org

The Christian Apologetics & Research Ministry (CARM) is "dedicated to the glory of the Lord Jesus Christ and the promotion and defense of the Christian Gospel, doctrine, and theology. To do this, CARM analyzes religious and non-religious movements and compares them to the Bible."

www.centerforchristianapologetics.com

A website "created with the purpose in mind of reaching out to those who may be struggling with the big questions of life.... The purpose of this website is to meet you wherever you are and provide a safe place for you to wrestle with these type of questions and many more."

www.christian-apologetics-resources-and-education.com

"Christian apologetics resources and structured learning programs for Christians serious about studying, teaching, and defending their faith."

www.christianapologeticsalliance.com

A broad, diverse group of Christians who"...seek to employ the tools of logic, science, history, archaeology, and theology to provide a rational defense of our worldview. It is our hope that the information on these pages will inform and edify believers, strengthen the faith of those with questions, and open the door for those unbelievers willing to consider the Christian worldview."

www.colsoncenter.org

"The Chuck Colson Center for Christian Worldview seeks to build and resource a movement of Christians committed to living and defending the Christian worldview."

www.creation.com

Creation Ministries International provides "real-world answers to the most-asked questions in the vital area of creation/evolution, where the Bible is most under attack today—Genesis."

www.discovery.org

Website of the Discovery Institute and Center for Science and Culture: "We are the institutional hub for scientists, educators, and inquiring minds who think that nature supplies compelling evidence of intelligent design. We support research, sponsor educational programs, defend free speech, and produce articles, books, and multimedia content."

www.equip.org

"The Christian Research Institute exists to provide Christians worldwide with carefully researched information and well-reasoned answers that encourage them in their faith and equip them to intelligently represent it to people influenced by ideas and teachings that assault or undermine orthodox, biblical Christianity."

www.garyhabermas.com

History, Philosophy and Christian Apologetics: Specializing in Resurrection-of-Jesus Research

www.godandscience.org

This website "provides answers to questions about God, evidence for God's existence, His care and love for mankind, and His provision for joyful living both now and into eternity through His Son, Jesus Christ."

www.gotquestions.org

GotQuestions.org has "a desire to assist others in their understanding of God, Scripture, salvation, and other spiritual topics" with "over 4,300 answers to frequently asked Bible questions published online...."

www.impactapologetics.com

A website offering resources for apologetics in several categories, by leading authors in the field.

www.intelligentdesign.org

A website dedicated to advocating the theory of intelligent design, which "holds that certain features of the universe and of living things are best explained by an intelligent cause, not an undirected process such as natural selection."

www.josh.org

"Josh McDowell Ministry, a division of Cru (Campus Crusade for Christ), serves to multiply disciples until the whole world knows that the Christian faith is reliable, relational and relevant to their lives."

www.leestrobel.com

From the author of books such as *A Case for Faith* and *A Case for a Creator*, this website seeks to help individuals "find answers to your faith questions."

www.oneminuteapologist.com

"We provide quick, credible answers to apologetic questions that resource people with a hunger to defend their Christian faith." This is done primarily through oneminute videos on YouTube.

https://pennyofathought.wordpess.com/

A blog by Sarah Abbey that focuses on "Thoughts on apologetics and theology in everyday life."

www.probe.org

"Probe Ministries has been answering your apologetics questions, addressing current issues, and building confident ambassadors for the kingdom.... With over 1800 articles, answers are a few clicks away."

www.ratiochristi.org

"Ratio Christi (Latin for 'The Reason of Christ') is... encouraging and strengthening the faith of Christian students at universities around the world through the use of intellectual investigation and apologetics while sharing Christ's message and love to those that have yet to receive it."

www.reasonablefaith.org

"Reasonable Faith aims to provide in the public arena an intelligent, articulate, and uncompromising yet gracious Christian perspective on the most important issues concerning the truth of the Christian faith today..." "Reasonable Faith features the work of philosopher and theologian Dr. William Lane Craig..."

www.reasons.org

"Reasons To Believe's mission is to spread the Christian Gospel by demonstrating that sound reason and scientific research—including the latest discoveries consistently support, rather than erode, confidence in the truth of the Bible and faith in the personal, transcendent God revealed in both Scripture and nature."

www.reasonsforgod.org

Reasons for God was started "in order to resolve people's doubts, guide people as they determine their purpose in life, and encourage everyone to serve their neighbors."

www.rzim.org

"The primary mission of Ravi Zacharias International Ministries is to reach and challenge those who shape the ideas of a culture with the credibility of the Gospel of Jesus Christ. Distinctive is its strong evangelistic and apologetic foundation..."

www.scp-inc.org

The Spiritual Counterfeits Project "has been a frontline ministry confronting the occult, the cults, and the New Age movement and explaining why they are making an impact on our society.... SCP's mandate is to communicate with our generation by creating crossover material that alerts and informs about the very real dangers of the latest deceptions."

www.str.org

"Stand to Reason trains Christians to think more clearly about their faith and to make an even-handed, incisive, yet gracious defense for classical Christianity and classical Christian values in the public square."

www.thinkingchristian.net

A website and blog run by Tom Gilson that features "a very active blog with a dedicated community, focused on general apologetics issues and apologetic strategy."

http://truthbomb.blogspot.com

"...we strive to offer apologetics resources to encourage and challenge both believer and unbeliever. Critical thinking is strongly encouraged, reason is a must, and all are welcomed!"

www.uncommondescent.com

A website dedicated to upholding intelligent design as "a promising scientific alternative to materialistic theories of biological and cosmological evolution".

www.veritas.org

The Veritas Forum exists to help engage college students and faculty in "discussions about life's hardest questions and the relevance of Jesus Christ to all of life."

Books

Recommended Apologetics Book Directory

http://www.apologetics315.com/2009/11/recommended-apologetics-bookdirectory.html

This extensive list lists over a two-hundred-fifty books and other resources, broken down into broad topics, such as "Beginner Apologetics," "Science," "Existence of God," and many more, from basic to very advanced, with links to purchase the books.

(The following list and categories from bethinking.org)

Books: Introductory Level

• A Ready Defence: the best of Josh McDowell compiled by Bob Wilson (Thomas Nelson, 1990)

Amy Orr-Ewing

- But is it Real? Answering 10 common objections to the Christian faith (IVP, 2008)
- Is the Bible Intolerant? Sexist? Oppressive? Homophobic? Outdated? Irrelevant? (IVP, 2005)

Lee Strobel

- The Case for a Creator: a journalist investigates scientific evidence that points toward God (Zondervan, 2004)
- The Case for Christ: a journalist's personal investigation of the evidence for Jesus (Zondervan, 1998)
- The Case for Faith: a journalist investigates the toughest objections to Christianity (Zondervan, 2000)

Books: Intermediate Level

Timothy Keller

• The Reason for God: belief in an age of scepticism (Dutton, 2008)

Peter Kreeft and Ronald Tacelli

• Pocket Handbook of Christian Apologetics (IVP, 2003)

C.S. Lewis

- *Mere Christianity* (Harper Collins, 1952)
- *Miracles* (Harper Collins, 1947)
- *The Problem of Pain* (Harper Collins, 1940)

Francis Schaeffer

- Francis A. Schaeffer Trilogy: the three essential books in one volume (Crossway, 1990)
- [Includes The God Who Is There (1968), Escape From Reason (1968) and He Is There and He is Not Silent (1972)]

Ravi Zacharias

- Beyond Opinion: living the faith we defend (Thomas Nelson, 2007)
- Can Man Live Without God? (Word, 1994)

Books: Advanced Level

William Lane Craig

• Reasonable Faith: Christian Truth and Apologetics, 3rd edition (Crossway, 2008)

Steven B. Cowan (editor)

• Five Views on Apologetics (Zondervan, 2000)

John C. Lennox

• God's Undertaker: has science buried God? (Lion, 2007)

Local University Classes

Houston Baptist University now offers a Masters of Arts in Apologetics with a number of credentialed faculty, including author and apologist Lee Strobel.