## Let's Make a Case

#### **CLASS OVERVIEW:**

This class is an overview of the discipline of Christian apologetics. Christian apologetics involves making a case for the truth of the Christian faith. By addressing several topics, we will make a case based on rational arguments and evidence that the Christian faith is reasonable to believe.

### **CLASS SCHEDULE:**

- What is apologetics and its purpose?
- The reliability of the Bible.
- A Christian Worldview Pt. 1
- A Christian Worldview Pt. 2
- Evidence for the existence of God
- Who is Jesus?
- Evidence for the resurrection

#### WHAT IS APOLOGETICS?

A general definition: is to make a defense and advocate for a particular position. That position isn't exclusive to Christians.

According to William Lane Craig, "apologetics come (a·puh·low·jee·uh) which means aapologetics involves	, as in a court of law. Christian		
According to Douglas Groothis, "Christian apologetics of the Christian worldview as		fense	
and existentially or subjectively engaging."  In the days of the New Testament "an apologia" (a·pul	h∙low∙jee∙uh) was a formal defer	ıse of	

something (2 Timothy 4:16) In its noun or verb form the word appears eight times in the New Testament. (Acts 22:1, 25:16; 1 Cor. 9:3; 2 Cor. 7:11; Phil. 1:7, 16; 2 Timothy 4:16; 1 Peter 3:15)

#### IS APOLOGETICS BIBLICAL?

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	Shaping Culture:
2.	<ul> <li>Strengthening Believers:</li> <li>a. First, knowing why you believe as well as what you believe will make you more confident in sharing your faith with others.</li> <li>b. Second, apologetics can also help you to keep the faith in times of doubt and struggle.</li> <li>c. Finally, the study of apologetics is going to make you a deeper and more interesting person.</li> <li>d. (Add from notes)</li> </ul>
3.	Winning Unbelievers:
4.	We are all apologist anyway:

5. Helps students hang on to their faith:
6. Helps with evangelism:
CHRISTIANITY IS A FACTUAL FAITH Christianity is Historical:
Christianity is Testable: