

Th201 Apologetics

January 23-28, 2017 Monday-Friday 7-10pm; Saturday 8am-4pm

Instructor

Greg Bartlett greg@northlightbaptist.ca Cell phone: 780-689-1905 <u>1 Peter 3:15</u> 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

Required Text

The Reason for God by Tim Keller, Dutton (ISBN 9780525950493)

Course Description

An analysis and defense of the Christian worldview, together with an analysis and refutation of secular and religious alternative worldviews. Equips students to defend the core biblical doctrines and refute philosophical, historical, archeological and scientific claims against the Bible.

Learning Objectives

- 1. The student will be able to answer questions and arguments aimed at defending the Christian worldview.
- 2. The student will give positive arguments in favour of the Christian worldview.
- 3. The student will be equipped to defend biblical truth against problems related to Christianity.
- 4. The student will be equipped to engage in an apologetic encounter with various non-evangelical faiths.
- 5. The student will learn practical methods on how to do apologetics.

Test

One final exam (essay). The student will respond to the questions at the front of each chapter in the textbook, where applicable, with content from the textbook and/or lectures. Additional questions may be given. You will also be asked if you read the textbook entirely. If not, you will receive a percentage based on how many pages you read.

Course Schedule

Monday, Jan 23	Introduction, What is Truth?		
Tuesday, Jan 24	Presuppositionalism		
Wednesday, Jan 25	Proofs for the Reliability of the Bible		
Thursday, Jan 26	Arguments for God's Existence		
Friday, Jan 27	Person and Work of Christ		
Saturday, Jan 28	Problems and Answers		

Grading

Point Values

Item	#	Pnts	Total Pnts	Actual Pts.
Keller Readings	1	200	200	
Test	1	300	300	
Total			500	

Scale

A 90-100 %

B 80-89 %

C 70-79 %

D 60-69 %

F 0-59 %