

Foundational Apologetics

General Course Description: This course provides an overview of *Foundational Apologetics*.

In this course you will learn about the Biblical foundation and methods for Apologetics, the case for the Existence of God, how we got the Bible and why it can be trusted, how to defend the trinity and tactics for sharing your faith.

Class Expectations: All students are encouraged to attend all 8 classes. Classes 1, 2, 6, 7, & 8 (60%) are required and class evaluations are to be submitted online to receive credit for the class. Online evaluations may be submitted at: www.elpasoba.org/li-evaluations

The Cost: Each participant will be responsible for tuition costs of \$60.00 per seminar (some church related scholarships are available), the required text books (*How we got the Bible by Timothy Paul Jones , 2105 and I Don't Have Enough Faith to be an Atheist by Frank Turek and Norman Geisler, 2004*) is included in the tuition. Recommended reading and other class materials will be at the student's expense. Tuition and text books may be defrayed through matching grants provided by the El Paso Baptist Association, the Texas Baptists, EPBA-LI, and at times other contributors.

Course Resources:

- **Foundational Apologetics folder by Caleb Harrelson**
- **Books:**
 - *How we got the Bible by Timothy Paul Jones , 2105*
 - *I Don't Have Enough Faith to be an Atheist by Frank Turek and Norman Geisler, 2004*
- **Free online booklet:**
 - *Does God control Everything, R.C. Sproul (download for free on kindle)*

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Course Calendar

October 8, 2019

FIRST CLASS

Introduction

*Defining Biblical Faith, Apologetics,
and the Knowability of Total Truth and God*

Bible: ESV, NKJV

Next week: Read introduction- Chapters 1-2 of Turek book

October 15, 2019

SECOND CLASS

Overview of Worldviews

*The Cosmological & Contingency Argument
for God*

Bible: ESV, NKJV, NIV

Next week: ask a friend or family member the worldview questions, Read chapters 3-6 of Turek book and read one icr.org article on the big bang

October 22, 2019

NO Class- Caleb will be out of town

October 29, 2019

THIRD CLASS

*Design & Moral Argument for God & the
Problem of suffering*

Bible: ESV, NKJV, NIV

Next week: Read Chapter 7 & appendix 1 of Turek book & “Does God control everything” by R.C. Sproul

November 5, 2019

FOURTH CLASS

*The nature of Scripture & the formation
of the canon*

Bible: ESV, NKJV, NIV

Next week: Read Chapter 1-3 of How we got the Bible &
Chp. 14 of Turek book

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November 12th, 2019

FIFTH CLASS

Why we can trust the New Testament,
Pt. 1

Bible: ESV, NKJV, NIV

Next week: Read chapters 4-5 of How we got the Bible & chapters 9-10 of Turek book

November 19, 2019

SIXTH CLASS

Why we can trust the New Testament, Pt. 2

Bible: ESV, NIV, or NKJV

Next week: Read Chapters 6-7 of How we got the Bible & Chapters 11-12 of Turek book

November 26th, 2019

SEVENTH CLASS

Defending the gospel and Trinity

Online Class Evaluations Due

Bible: ESV, NIV, or NKJV

Next week: Read chapter 13 of Turek book

December 3rd, 2019

EIGHTH CLASS Conclusions

Tactics for apologetics in evangelism, q & a

Next Steps: Continue studying & engaging with unbelievers by doing worldview surveys