

Introduction to Apologetics (TH255) Course Syllabus

I. Learning outcomes for TH255

TH255 will introduce students to the biblical basis for apologetics, as well as presuppositional apologetic methodology.

II. Required Reading

Voddie Baucham Jr., Expository Apologetics: Answering Objections with the Power of the Word (Wheaton, IL: Crossway, 2015).

Greg L. Bahnsen, *Always Ready: Directions for Defending the Faith* (Nacogdoches, TX: Covenant Media Press, 2018).

III. Lectures

Voddie Baucham, Expository Apologetics

IV. Assignments

Written assignments should be turned in together at the close of a course.

- 1. Read Expository Apologetics and Always Reading in their entirety.
- 2. Watch/Listen to lectures 1-4.
- 3. Write a two-page double spaced reflection on the assigned reading. A reflection paper identifies the subject(s) under consideration and gives a summarization of your reaction to the material with evidence from the material to support your suppositions. Reflection papers answer the questions "Did you agree with the claims of the author?," "What did you learn?," "What misconceptions did you have that the author helped you correct?" Footnote all citations. For further help consult *How to Write a Reflection Paper*.
- 4. Write a five to eight-page double spaced research paper which interacts with the claims of Richard Dawkins or another well-known atheistic writer. This paper should demonstrate a presuppositional methodology. Utilize at least five written works aside from the assigned reading. Footnote all citations and provide both a cover page and a works cited page. Consult either the *Chicago Manual of Style* or Turabian for questions of citation and pagination.