And being in Bethany at the house of Simon the leper, as He sat at the table, a woman came having an alabaster flask of very costly oil of spikenard. Then she broke the flask and poured it on His head.

But there were some who were indignant among themselves, and said, "Why was this fragrant oil wasted? For it might have been sold for more than three hundred denarii and given to the poor." And they criticized her sharply.

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But Jesus said, "Let her alone. Why do you trouble her? She has done a good work for Me. For you have the poor with you always, and whenever you wish you may do them good; but Me you do not have always. She has done what she could."

"She has come beforehand to anoint My body for burial. Assuredly, I say to you, wherever this gospel is preached in the whole world, what this woman has done will also be told as a memorial to her." MARK 14:3-9

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Expect It

"For whoever is ashamed of Me and My words in this adulterous and sinful generation, of him the Son of Man also will be ashamed when He comes in the glory of His Father with the holy angels."

MARK 8:38

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Examine It

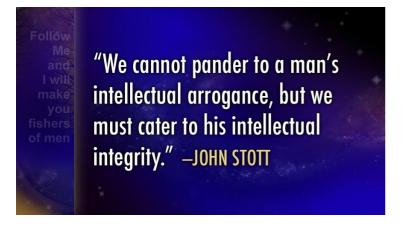
How should I respond to my critics?

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4 BASIC ATTACKS OF CRITICS: The Content of the Bible

"Oh, have you read the Bible?"
"What part of the Bible do you find difficult?"
"Have you considered evidences for the accuracy of the Bible?"

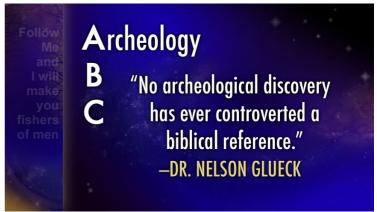
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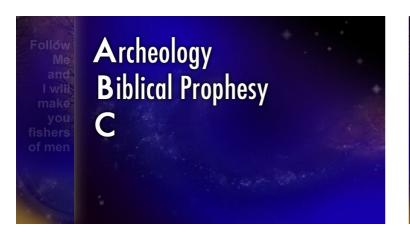


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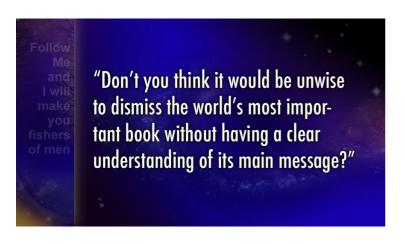
Ancient: And they shall destroy the walls of Tyre and break down her towers; I will also scrape her dust from her, and make her like the top of a rock. It shall be a place for spreading nets in the midst of the sea, for I have spoken,' says the Lord GOD; "it shall become plunder for the nations. Ez. 26:4-5

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4 BASIC ATTACKS OF CRITICS: The Character of God

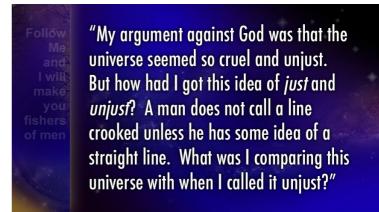
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What about evil and suffering?



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"Of course I could have given up my idea of justice by saying it was nothing but a private idea of my own. But if I did that, then my argument against God collapsed too— ..."

"... for the argument depended on saying that the world was really unjust, not simply that it did not happen to please my private fancies."

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"Thus in the very act of trying to prove that God did not exist—in other words, that the whole of reality was senseless—I found I was forced to assume that one part of reality—namely my idea of justice—was full of sense."

"Consequently atheism turns out to be too simple. If the whole universe has no meaning, we should never have found out that it has no meaning: just as, if there were no light in the universe and therefore no creatures with eyes, we should never know it was dark."

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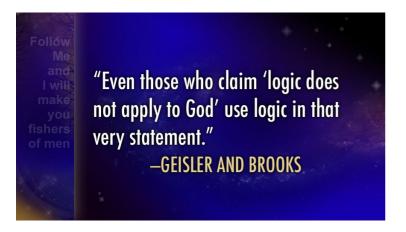
"Dark would be without meaning."

"C.S. LEWIS, MERE CHRISTIANITY

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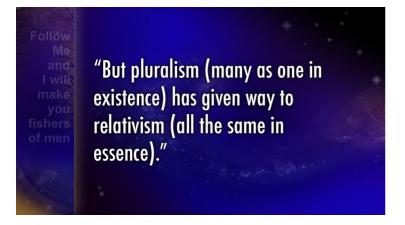
The Conflict of Religions

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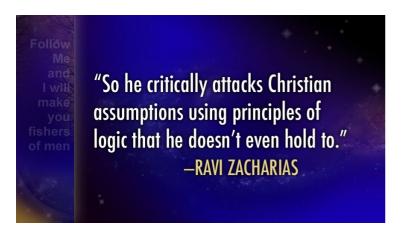
"Today, sensitivities are at an all time high—and rightfully so.
Tolerance of different races and religions has been lacking over the years."

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"Here's the rub: While the average secular person will believe somewithout subjecting it to rational critique, he disbelieves things on the basis that, he or she says, they are retionally inadmissible."

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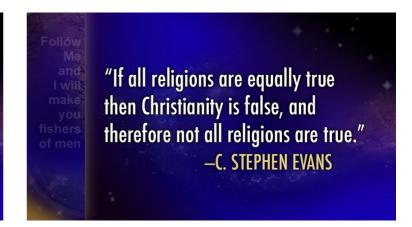


THE CONFLICT OF RELIGIONS

The Cross of Christ

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"It is an essential part of Christian faith that Jesus is God in a unique and exclusive way. It follows from this that all religions cannot be equally true."



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...one mediator between God and men...

Extol It

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Yet if anyone suffers as a Christian, let him not be ashamed, but let him glorify God in this matter...let those who suffer according to the will of God, commit their souls to Him in doing good, as to a faithful Creator. 1 PETER 4:16, 19