



Session 1 - Introduction to the BEST FACTS!

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1. An Introduction to Apologetics.

- a. 1 Peter 3:15 says, “But in your hearts set apart Christ as Lord. Always be _____ to give an answer to everyone who asks you to give the reason for the hope that you have. But do this with gentleness and respect.”
- b. The word _____ comes from the Greek word ἀπολογία (Aplogia), which means “to give a defense.”
 - i. Key 1: _____ control - “But in your hearts set apart Christ as Lord...”
 - ii. Key 2: _____ to be a light - “But in your hearts set apart Christ as Lord...”
 - iii. Key 3: _____ yourself - “Always be prepared...”
 - iv. Key 4: _____ - “Always be prepared to give an answer to everyone who asks you to give the reason for the hope that you have.”
 - v. Key 5: _____ those you share with - “But do this with gentleness and respect...”

2. Let's review the BEST FACTS.

a. **The BEST acronym:**

- i. B - The _____ of the Universe Points to God.
- ii. E - The _____ of the Universe Points to God.



- iii. S - _____ and Morality Point to God.
- iv. T - The _____ About Jesus Points to God.

b. **The FACTS acronym:**

- i. F - The Bible _____ the Future.
- ii. A - The Bible is _____ Accurate.
- iii. C - The Bible is _____.
- iv. T - The Bible has been _____ Correctly.
- v. S - The Bible has _____ Statements.

3. Why not other _____?

- a. (TALL) Theological incoherence, Ambiguous truth claims, Lack evidence, and Lack power to change lives.

4. Why not atheistic _____?

- a. (TALES) Transitional evidence is lacking, Apparatus is insufficient, Life doesn't arise from non-life, Existence of information is inexplicable, and the Start of the universe is too.

5. Summary: Stay positive. Stay on track. Ask good questions and listen carefully. Use the BEST FACTS tool.

Discuss people's thoughts on the session and the following questions:

- 1. What's been your experience with apologetics?
- 2. How might the BEST FACTS help you deal with doubt you have?
- 3. How might the BEST FACTS help you share your faith?