Apologetics applied to Real-World Problems

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Christians often have trouble discerning what the Bible has to say about difficult hot-button issues like divorce, war, abortion, homosexuality, and other controversial topics. They also frequently face objections about the Bible, and they may not know where to look for answers. It’s also easy to get confused about doctrine, and many Christians today simply don’t have the knowledge or background to recognize unbiblical teaching. Ron Rhodes, author and apologist, provides 365 one-a-day answers on a myriad of issues surrounding Christianity and apologetics, such as...

- Truth (such as the distinction between absolute truth and relative truth)
- Hermeneutics (principles of Bible interpretation)
- Christian doctrine (including such issues as the Trinity, the absolute deity of Christ, and the personality of the Holy Spirit)
- Christian ethics (including such issues as abortion, suicide, capital punishment, homosexuality, different views on war, and divorce)
- Alleged Bible contradictions
- Difficult Bible verses
- Philosophies of Bible translation
- Archaeological discoveries that support the Bible
- Extrabiblical literature that supports the truth of Christianity
- Atheistic arguments
- The problem of evil
- Creationism and evolution
- Cults and false religions
- End-times prophecy

“I have been motivated to write this book because of the strange times in which we are living. Our country has become a virtual cafeteria of different religions, cults, and worldviews that are all vying for supremacy. Our country is also currently confronted by many tough domestic and global issues. We need Christian wisdom and biblical discernment as never before.”

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First, what is apologetics? Why is it important?

With 365 topics, one per page, is this a one-a-day devotional book on apologetics?

Apologetics is a large topic to cover. Do you think a 5-minute a day reading plan might limit this topic, or water it down in any way?

What separates your book from other books on apologetics and makes it unique?

What kinds of issues do you deal with in the book?

On each page you provide a “Pearl of Wisdom.” What’s the purpose of that?

Is the book indexed, so the reader can look up individual topics?

Let’s consider a few examples from your book. In one daily reading you say that Christians have a hideous disease called “non-rock-a-boatus”? What is the point here?

You also say that civil disobedience is allowable. What are the conditions for that?

A number of the daily readings set forth the different views Christians have on war. Can you summarize these?

You have several pages devoted to discussing the arguments of atheists. Can you give us a sampling?

You devote some of the book to the problem of evil. Can you give us a few examples from the daily readings?

You also address evolution versus creationism. What issues do you deal with?

What do you hope to accomplish with this book?