

Introduction to Apologetics

SESSION 3: WHAT IS REVELATION?

3A: What is Truth?

Course Overview: In this course we introduce the science and art of apologetics regarding its key biblical basis, philosophical and other considerations, and practical applications to fundamental questions the Christian worldview answers.

1. Special Revelation (SR) is a Book and a Person.
2. SR is special (or specific) in what it reveals for all who choose to believe.
3. SR is a Book: The Bible
 - a. Key Verses: 1 Timothy 3:16-17
 - i. Scope: “All Scripture.”
 - ii. Origin: “is given by inspiration of God.”
 - iii. Purpose: “and is profitable for.”
 1. Beliefs (thoughts about truth and God): “doctrine and reproof.”
 2. Practice (actions based on truth and God): “correction and instruction in righteousness.”
 - iv. Intention:
 1. Equipping: “that the man of God (the believer) may be complete, thoroughly equipped.”
 2. Readiness (implied): “for every good work (including apologetics).”
4. SR is a Person: Jesus Christ
 - a. Key Verses
 - i. Colossians 3:15-16
 1. Jesus reveals the existence of God.
 2. Jesus reveals the resurrection of humanity.
 3. Jesus reveals creation of the seen and unseen realms.
 4. Jesus reveals the purpose of all creation.
 - ii. John 14:6
 1. Jesus reveals the way to God.
 2. Jesus reveals the truth of God.
 3. Jesus reveals the life of God.

