

## SYLLABUS

Course Name: Apologetics

Grade Level: 11<sup>th</sup> grade

Length: One semester      One period per day

Teacher: Mr. Gene Wilson

Required Text: The Case for Faith: A Journalist Investigates the Toughest Objections to Christianity by Lee Strobel      Zondervan Publishing

Course Description: This course is designed to prepare students to handle many objections to the Christian faith in a rational and intellectual way.

### Course Objectives:

1. Students will learn the proper use of logic and reasoning to evaluate other worldviews and support the Christian worldview.
2. Students will learn the skills needed and discover some resources available to answer the question, “What rational warrant can be given for the Christian faith.
3. Students will be taught the importance of truth in light of the common use of the word “tolerance” as they answer the question, “How do I know Christianity is true?”
4. Students will answer these objections to Christianity:
  - a. Since evil and suffering exist, a loving God cannot.
  - b. Since miracles contradict science, they aren’t real.
  - c. Evolution explains life, so God isn’t needed.
  - d. God isn’t worthy of worship if He kills innocent people.
  - e. It is offensive to claim Jesus is the only way to God.
  - f. A loving God would never torture people in hell.
  - g. Church history is littered with oppression and violence.
  - h. I still have doubts, so I must not be a Christian.

Content/Timeline Outline:

1. Introduction
2. Logic and Presuppositions
3. Faith and Doubt
4. Truth and Absolutes
5. The Eight Objections

Resource Material: The Case for Faith (book)  
The Case for Faith (DVD)  
Handouts from online articles  
The textbooks of Norman Geisler and William Lane Craig  
Video clips

Assessment:

Quizzes

Tests

Homework

Classwork

Online projects

Reports

PowerPoint presentations