

## **Just Thinking Apologetics**

Does God exist? Did Jesus really rise from the dead? How do you know the New Testament is not a complete fabrication? These and other questions relate to the field of Christian Apologetics. What is Apologetics? Apologetics is from the Greek word *apologia* and simply means to give a defense. Christian Apologetics, according to contemporary apologist Dr. William Lane Craig, can be defined as: “a theoretical discipline that tries to answer the question, what rational defense can be given for the Christian faith?”

We live in a culture today where more and more individuals are attacking the Christian worldview. For example, *The DaVinci Code*, by Dan Brown made the claim that Jesus didn't die, but in fact, married and had children. *The Lost Tomb of Jesus* film, produced by James Cameron (who also wrote *The Titanic*), claimed that Jesus never rose from the dead. Is their validity to these claims?

The role of the Christian Apologist is to answer such questions. I Peter 3:15 states, “Always be prepared to give an answer to everyone who asks you to give the reason for the hope that you have.” I believe logically consistent answers can be given as a defense to all who would question Christianity. If you have a question, please write as we think together about what claims align with truth.