

"Apologetics: Becoming a More Confident Christian and a More Convincing Witness"¹

Wednesdays @ Lincoln Christian Church – 2013

**Rich Knopp, Ph.D., Professor of Philosophy & Christian Apologetics
Lincoln Christian University**

April 10: "Christian or Not? What's It All About?"

- "Apologetics": What? Why? When? Where? How? For whom?
- Is apologetics in the Bible?
- Ways of life: what are my options?
- What's at stake?

April 17: "Questions about God"

- What about God?
- Cosmology: Why does anything exist?
- Teleology: Why do things seem "just right" for human existence?
- Biology: How did life begin?
- Anthropology: Who are we?
- Morality: Is anything really right or wrong? Why?

April 24: "Questions about Miracles and Jesus"

- What is a "miracle"?
- Did all those Bible miracles really occur?
- Hasn't science disproven miracles?
- Who did Jesus think he was?
- What proves the resurrection of Jesus?
- What does the resurrection of Jesus prove?

May 1: "Questions about the Bible"

- What's so special about the Bible?
- Why should I believe that the Bible is historical and reliable?
- Didn't the New Testament just "make up" Jesus?
- What, if anything, can we learn from history and archaeology?

May 8: "Common Questions and Criticisms"

- What about all the evil?
- Doesn't science conflict with Christianity?
- What about evolution?
- How can we say that any worldview is "better" than another?
- Is Christianity worth it?

Recommended Textbook:

Doug Powell, *Holman QuickSource Guide to Christian Apologetics*. Nashville, TN: B&H Academic, 2006.

PLEASE PREREGISTER. Contact the church (217-732-7618) or see www.worldvieweyes.org/lincoln.html for more information.

¹ This class and the handouts are provided without charge. However, it may be taken for 1-semester-hour credit through Lincoln Christian University (for \$50). Contact the teacher for details: rknopp@lincolnchristian.edu or 217-732-3168 x2252.