The Apologetic Task

The Christian's "apologetic task" is to establish the Word of God as intellectually plausible by addressing crucial philosophical, theistic and evidential topics. This can be accomplished through three chronological steps as shown below.

STEP 3: Evidential Apologetics Establishing the Truth of Christianity (Evidential Apologetics)

- 1. The Reliability of the Bible
- 2. The Person of Christ
- 3. The Resurrection of Christ

STEP 2: Theistic Apologetics Establishing the Existence of God

1. The Existence of God

- a. Cosmological, Teleological, and Moral arguments
- b. What kind of God: Eternality, immutability, Infinite
- 2. An Evaluation of Alternative Worldviews
- 3. The Possibility of Miracles
- 4. The Problem of Evil
- 5. The Doctrine of Hell

STEP 1: Philosophical Apologetics Establishing the Philosophical Foundations

- 1. Does something exist?
- 2. Does truth exist?
- 3. Can something be known?
- 4. Can we have objective meaning?
- 5. Does logic exist?
- 6. Do absolutes exist?
- 7. Can something come to be that is not caused?

The Case for Christianity

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