

Popular Speaking Topics and Descriptions

Come Reason speaking sessions cover a wide variety of topics and themes. Our talks are tailored to your audience and many can be extended or shortened to fit your needs. We also provide sessions specifically for youth groups to help them understand these concepts more easily. For more information or to arrange a speaking date, call 866-957-3276 ext. 703 or e-mail us at speaking@comereason.org.

How We Can Know that God Exists (approx. 60 minutes)

Physicist Stephen Hawking recently proclaimed that God is not necessary and that science can explain the existence of the universe. Is he right? Can we prove that there is a God? Join us for an in-depth study to see that the evidence convincingly demonstrates that God exists.

How You Can Know the Bible is from God (approx. 60 minutes)

Christians hold that the Bible is God's revealed word given to us. But critics argue that the Bible was written by men and changed over the years to suit their purposes. Popular novels like *The Da Vinci Code* assert there are "lost books" that have been left out. And other faiths claim their sacred writings are inspired. Is there a way to tell? In this session, Lenny will demonstrate how we can have assurance that the Bible is indeed the Word of God.

How to Defend your Faith (45 - 60 minutes)

Defending your faith can be a challenging proposition in today's society. There are so many facts and figures out there, they become difficult to answer without a seminary degree. In this session, you'll learn some basic tools to help you rationally and effectively witness to friends and family, offering some questions for the critics, and showing you how to avoid those "smokescreen questions" that hold no merit.

Why Evolution Doesn't Work (60 - 120 minutes)

Richard Dawkins once wrote that evolution allows him to be an "intellectually fulfilled atheist". But does it? Or are there some things that evolution simply can't answer? In this session, we'll explore where neo-Darwinian theory hits a brick wall and shows why more than ever there must be an intelligence behind life.

Dealing with Bible Contradictions (45-60 minutes)

You hear the objection all the time: what about all the contradictions in the Bible? In this session, we will examine some of these so-called contradictions and learn how to answer them.

Does Science Make Faith Obsolete? (45-60 minutes)

Science is understood in today's world to be the only reliable source of truth. If there's a conflict between science and faith, most will assume that our beliefs are in error. Are science and faith contradictory? Do modern scientific discoveries prove Christian beliefs are outdated? Join us as we look at this issue.

How to Talk with Jehovah's Witnesses (45-60 minutes)

Jehovah's Witnesses have made a name for themselves by traveling door to door and converting people. But how can we defend our beliefs against their objections? What's the best way of discussing the Bible with them? This month, join us as we show you how to dialogue with the Jehovah's Witnesses.

How to Talk with Mormons (45-60 minutes)

Mormonism boasts over 12 million adherents, and it's still growing. What should we say when Mormon missionaries come to our door? How are Christian beliefs different than Mormon beliefs? Join us this month as we teach you how to engage Mormons in fruitful discussion.

Help! There's a Cultist at my Door! (Single Session) (60 – 75 minutes)

Jehovah's Witnesses and Mormons both aggressively seek to win converts by going door to door. They frequently quote scripture and their arguments seem convincing. What would you say if they came to your house? Here, Lenny shows how you can converse with a cultist at your doorstep.

How to Talk with Muslims (45-60 minutes)

Islam is one of the fastest growing religions in the world, but is still a mystery to most Christians. Is it a religion of peace or a breeding ground for terrorists? Here we examine Muslim beliefs and discuss how to effectively witness to Muslims.

Answering Moral Relativism (45-60 minutes)

You hear them all the time, those little quips that stop you cold: "That's true for you but not for me", "You shouldn't push your morality on others", "That's only your interpretation of the Bible" and more. Moral relativism has been widely accepted in our culture today. In this class, Lenny teaches you how to answer these supposed show-stoppers.

Debunking "Bible Secrets" Television Shows (45-60 minutes)

PBS recently aired "The Bible's Buried Secrets" - the latest in a list of documentaries that undermines the Bible's credibility. Are their charges true? How do we react with friends and coworkers dismiss the Bible because of these shows? Learn why these shows truly present an emperor who has no clothes this month.

Why Does God Allow Evil in the World? (60 - 75 minutes)

It's a popular objection: If God is all loving, then how can He allow evil to exist in the world? Is God being cruel in allowing evil, or is He just not powerful enough to do anything about it? Does this prove there is no God at all? Join us this month as we show why evil proves that God must exist.

The Case for the Resurrection (45-60 minutes)

As Easter approaches each year, the media continue to try and debunk the resurrection of Jesus as a mere myth. But when we examine the evidence, it shows why the resurrection is the most well attested fact of the ancient world. Hear how the skeptics' own arguments prove the validity of the resurrection accounts.

How Christianity Changed the World (45-60 minutes)

If Christianity truly originated with God, then we would expect that following its precepts would have dramatic implications for societies as well as individuals. How did the rise of Christianity influence cultures? See how humanity is better off because of the Christian faith.

Hidden Ways the Gospels Prove Reliable (approx. 60 minutes)

Can we trust the Gospels? Why should people place their trust in documents written so long ago that don't even agree with each other? In this class, Lenny investigates some evidence that goes beyond coincidence and demonstrates why the Gospels are reliable history.

Talking God at Starbucks (45-60 minutes)

We want to share the Gospel, but many times we don't know how to start. Can you ask another about their faith without being viewed as offensive? In this session, Lenny offers tactics for lovingly beginning "God Conversations" at Starbucks, on Facebook, and other public places.

Who Chose What to Include in the Bible? (45-60 minutes)

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Science versus Faith: Are they Contradictory? (45-60 minutes)

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Jesus: The Smartest Man Who Ever Lived (45-60 minutes)

If you were asked to choose the most intelligent person in history, who would it be? Einstein? Newton? Socrates? What about Jesus? Join us this month as we look at how Jesus demonstrates that part of loving God means loving Him with all your mind.

Why Modern Notions of Tolerance are Intolerable (45-60 minutes)

"You Christians are so intolerant! You need to accept other people's beliefs." These kinds of charges are becoming more and more common in conversations today. They sound convincing but they're built upon a faulty foundation. Christians need to know how to respond to cries of tolerance in the public square. Join Lenny and learn practical way to show why claims of tolerance are anything but!

Knowing the Will of God: Lessons from the Christmas Story (45-60 minutes)

Have you ever wondered what God has prepared for your life? How can you know that you're in God's will? Join us this month as we take a fresh look at the Christmas story and learn one way God prepares us for the calling He has for us.