**TBC High School: Basic Apologetics**

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|  **Week** | **Date** | **Topic** | **Notes** |
| Set I: Reasons for Faith |
| 1 | Sept 11 | Does God exist? The cosmological argument: Right and wrong as a clue to the meaning of the universe |  |
| 2 | Sept 18 | Does God exist? The Argument from desire: Can we know God exists by looking within? |  |
| 3 | Sept 25 | Who is the real Jesus? Did the early church create Jesus or did Jesus create the early church? |  |
| 4 | Oct 2 | Argument from prophecy? Were the details of Christ’s life foretold in the Old Testament? |  |
| 5 | Oct 16 | Case for the resurrection: Can you prove that Christ was raised from the dead? |  |
| 6 | Oct 23 | Review/ Discussion/ Debate/Test |  |
| Set II: Objections to Faith |
| 7 | Oct 30 | Authority of Scripture: Can the Gospels be trusted? |  |
| 8 | Nov 6 | The Problem of Evil: How can you believe in God when there is so much evil, pain, and suffering in the world? |  |
| 9 | Nov 20 | Is Christ the only way? There are so many religions; how can you say which one is right? |  |
| 10 | Nov 27 | Understanding Atheism: Is belief in God “just a crutch”? |  |
| 11 | Dec 4 | Apologetics and the ascension: The where, who, and what of apologetics |  |
| 12 | Dec 11 | Review/Discussion/Debate/Test |  |
| Set III: Responding to Atheism |
| 13 | Jan 15 | Reasons and imagination: How can you communicate your faith clearly? |  |
| 14 | Jan 22 | Faith and reason: Can you reason your way to faith? |  |
| 15 | Jan 29 | Post-modernism: Can you really know anything? |  |
| 16 | Feb 12 | Relativism: Can you have ethics without God? |  |
| 17 | Feb 19 | Abolition of man: CS Lewis on consequences of relativism |  |
| 18 | Feb 26 | Review/Discussion/Debate/Test |  |
| Set IV: Responding to New Age and Cults |
| 19 | Mar 12 | Responding to the New Age: Eastern religion meets the West |  |
| 20 | Mar 19 | Neopaganism: Responding to the New Witchcraft |  |
| 21 | Mar 26 | What is a cult: Isn’t one person’s cult another’s religion? |  |
| 22 | Apr 9 | Dealing with Cults: How can you respond to cults? |  |
| 23 | Apr 16 | Arguments from agape: Can love lead you to know Christ? |  |
| 24 | Apr 23 | Review/Discussion/Debate/Test |  |

\*lectures based off of CS Lewis Institute Course