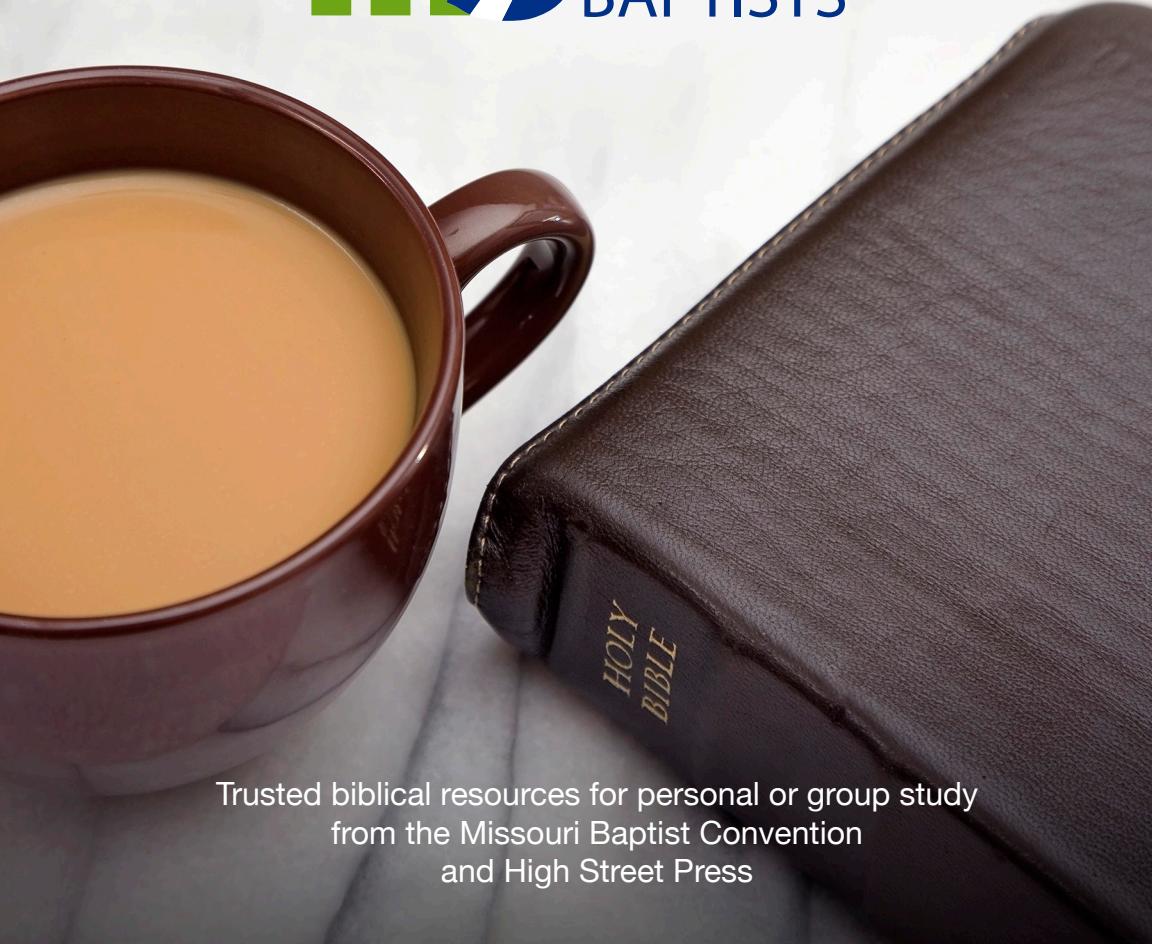




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The apostle Peter urges followers of Jesus to always be ready to defend the Christian faith – with gentleness and respect (1 Pet. 3:15-16). Jude expresses the urgent need to contend for the faith delivered to the saints once for all (Jude 3).

Standing for truth has always been challenging, but it's even more difficult in today's culture, which professes relative personal truth and increasingly celebrates behaviors that grieve the heart of God. Now more than ever, followers of Jesus must know what we believe, why we believe it, and how to share biblical truth with those who are blinded by the evil one (2 Cor. 4:4).

Trustworthy, biblically sound resources are key. And that's what High Street Press offers, as you see in the pages to follow. High Street Press is the publishing arm of the Missouri Baptist Convention. Each resource we produce is written for pastors and laypersons alike and is designed for personal or group study.

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May the Lord bless you as you earnestly contend for the faith.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "John Yeats".

Dr. John Yeats
Executive Director – Treasurer
Missouri Baptist Convention

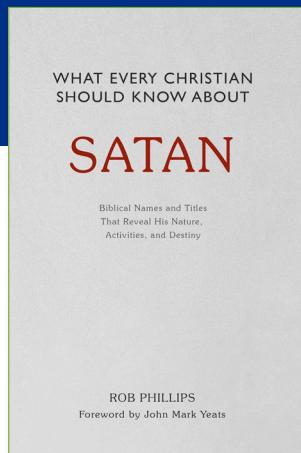
³ Dear friends, although I was eager to write you about the salvation we share, I found it necessary to write and exhort you to contend for the faith that was delivered to the saints once for all. ⁴ For some men, who were designated for this judgment long ago, have come in by stealth; they are ungodly, turning the grace of our God into promiscuity and denying Jesus Christ, our only Master and Lord.

JUDE 3-4 (CSB)

What Every Christian Should Know About Satan

Was Satan once an anointed cherub – God’s prime minister of the universe? When and how did he become the father of lies, tempter, accuser, and adversary? How do names like Beelzebul and Belial depict his heinous deeds? And what hope is there for followers of Jesus in knowing that God has prepared a special place for Satan and his messengers?

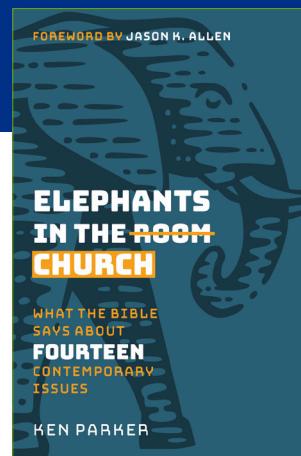
What Every Christian Should Know About Satan explores more than a dozen biblical names and titles that reveal the evil one’s character, tactics, and ultimate destiny in hell. Written for pastors and laypersons alike, this resource is designed for personal or group study.

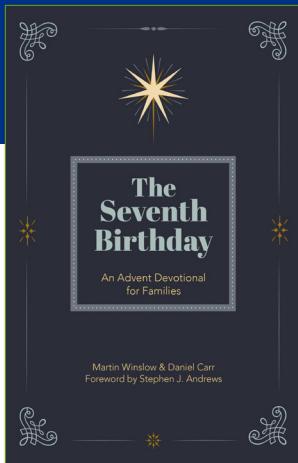


Elephants in the Church

We've all heard the expression, “The elephant in the room.” It's a metaphorical idiom in English for an important or controversial topic that's obvious to everyone, but so delicate that no one wants to address it. But what happens when elephants come to church? That is, what does the local church do with such hot-button topics as creation vs. evolution, same-sex attraction, racism and sexism, depression, and burial vs. cremation? Often, the answer is: we avoid them.

But we shouldn't because the Bible addresses them all. *Elephants in the Church* explores fourteen such topics from a biblical perspective. Written for pastors and laypersons alike, this study features discussion questions at the end of each chapter and is an engaging, readable, and biblically sound resource for all Christians.

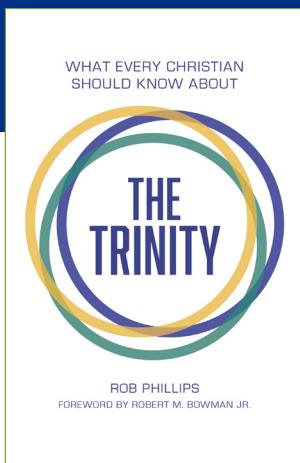




The Seventh Birthday

Throughout Scripture we meet six unique women who aren't able to conceive. The Bible depicts each of them as "barren." Yet, through God's intervention, they all have children. What's more, each child born to these formerly barren women plays a vital role in the history of God's people, and more importantly in God's ultimate plan to reveal His only Son through a seventh and most miraculous conception – the virgin birth of Jesus Christ.

The Seventh Birthday unpacks each of these momentous birthdays in a compelling series of daily devotionals. Designed for family study, this book builds to a climax in God's most beloved birthday story – the long-awaited birth of Immanuel, God with us.



What Every Christian Should Know About the Trinity

The doctrine of the Trinity distinguishes orthodox Christianity from counterfeit forms of the faith, and sets Christianity apart from other monotheistic religions such as Judaism and Islam. Even so, many Christians struggle to understand and explain this non-negotiable doctrine.

What Every Christian Should Know About the Trinity explores the biblical foundation of belief in one true and living God, who exists as three distinct, but inseparable, co-equal, co-eternal persons: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

Written for pastors and laypersons alike, this book features twelve lessons that conclude with probing questions, making this an ideal resource for personal or group study.

Jesus Before Bethlehem: What Every Christian Should Know About the Angel of the LORD

What was Jesus doing prior to his conception in Mary's womb?

While we see the Father and the Holy Spirit actively engaged in human affairs across the pages of the Old Testament, the other member of the Trinity is foreshadowed in messianic prophecies but otherwise absent from the earth. Or is he?

Jesus Before Bethlehem explores dozens of Old Testament appearances by a figure often called “the angel of the LORD.” He not only speaks for God; he speaks as God. He appears as a man, a voice from heaven, a flame within a thorn bush, and a divine presence in a pillar of cloud and fire – all of which come to us as Christophanies, or appearances of the preincarnate Christ.

Written for pastors and laypersons alike, this study is designed to show how the eternal Son of God has always taken a personal interest in those he created to be his imagers on earth.

What Every Christian Should Know About Salvation

What does it mean to be saved? And how does God’s work of redemption span time and eternity to provide a remedy for sin, which has ruined everything and alienated everyone from Him?

What Every Christian Should Know About Salvation explores twelve Bible terms that describe God’s gracious work of rescuing us from sin, returning us to a right relationship with Him, and ultimately restoring us — and the fallen world in which we live — to the perfection Adam and Eve experienced before the Fall.

Each chapter concludes with summary statements and probing questions, making this an ideal resource for personal or group study.

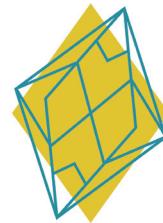
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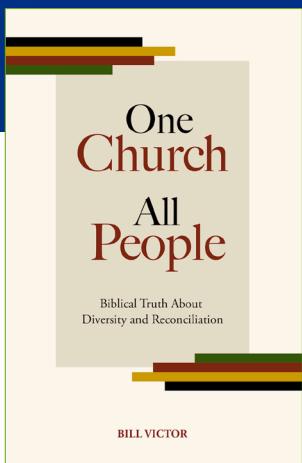
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The Apologist's Tool Kit

Followers of Jesus always have faced attacks from outside the church – from worshipers in the cult of Caesar to militant Muslims. But potentially more damaging are threats from within – from false teachers who tickle our ears (2 Tim. 4:3) to false prophets who come to us with “cleverly devised myths” (2 Peter 1:16).

The Apologist's Tool Kit equips you to defend the Christian faith with gentleness and respect. This easy-to-read reference addresses some of the most commonly challenged Christian doctrines, from the existence of God to the authority of Scripture. Each chapter concludes with probing questions, talking points, and references for further reading, making this a handy resource for personal or group study.



One Church, All People: Biblical Truth About Diversity and Reconciliation

Diversity and racial reconciliation are far more than social justice issues. They permeate Scripture from beginning to end, urging believers to work to heal the wounds of racial division.

The Bible makes a compelling case for the church to live as a community that transcends racial and ethnic differences. If the church in the U.S. would live out the reality of this vision, it would have a powerful effect on American society.

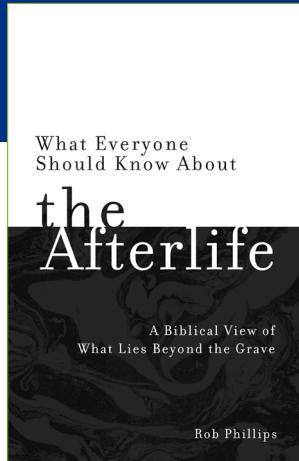
One Church, All People offers pastors, Bible study teachers, and interested lay leaders a practical guide that shows how racial and cultural diversities reflect the heart of God. As followers of Jesus see how diversity and unity are modeled in Scripture, they can take the first steps to bring healing in their churches and throughout their communities.

What Everyone Should Know About the Afterlife

You're going to live forever. The questions are where, and how. With so many views about the afterlife — from reincarnation to annihilation — is there any way to know for sure what lies beyond the grave? The answer is a resounding yes! The same God who created you in His image has revealed important truths about your destiny.

What Everyone Should Know About the Afterlife briefly addresses what the Bible says about death, judgment, heaven, hell, and much more. Our response to God's offer of salvation carries everlasting consequences.

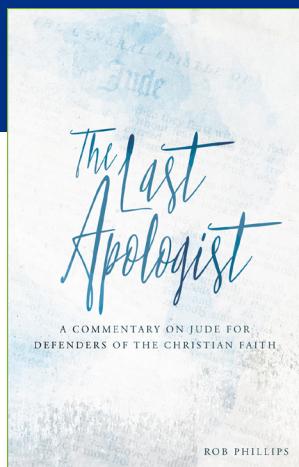
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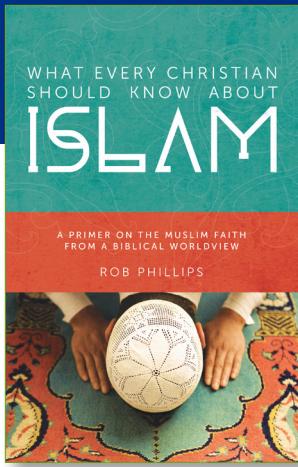


The Last Apologist: A Commentary on Jude for Defenders of the Christian Faith

The Epistle of Jude may be one of the most neglected New Testament books. Bible readers are tempted – in part by its brevity and in part by its similarity to 2 Peter 2 – to skip over Jude on the way to Revelation, or to give this short epistle little more than a glance.

This is unfortunate, because Jude speaks volumes about the value of Christian apologetics. *The Last Apologist* is more than a verse-by-verse commentary. Each chapter explores key words and phrases, and poses thought-provoking questions that make this a handy resource for personal or group study.

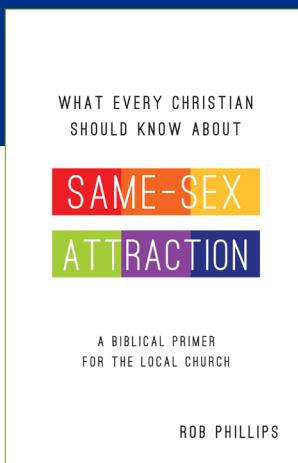




What Every Christian Should Know About Islam

What Every Christian Should Know About Islam offers a brief overview of this 1,400-year-old religion and seeks to answer key questions about Islam from a biblical perspective. Designed for individual or group study, this 80-page paperback features brief chapters on such topics as:

- Do Christians and Muslims worship the same God?
- The ultimate role model: Jesus or Muhammad?
- The real tragedy of jihad; and
- Sharing your faith with Muslims



What Every Christian Should Know About Same-sex Attraction

Christians are in the crosshairs of today's culture, which celebrates LGBTQ attractions and accuses those who stand on biblical convictions of engaging in a new brand of McCarthyism. We should not despair, however. This is a God-ordained opportunity for followers of Jesus to love our lesbian, gay, bisexual, and transgender friends, and for the church to minister to those struggling with unwanted same-sex attraction.

What Every Christian Should Know About Same-sex Attraction offers a brief overview of the Bible's clear teachings on homosexuality, and how Christians can express Christ-like love for our LGBTQ friends.

**¹⁵ but honor the Messiah as Lord in your hearts.
Always be ready to give a defense to anyone who
asks you for a reason for the hope that is in you.
¹⁶ However, do this with gentleness and respect,
keeping your conscience clear, so that when
you are accused, those who denounce your
Christian life will be put to shame.**

1 PETER 3:15-16 (CSB)



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“High Street Press provides valuable resources on timely issues. Each volume is well written, doctrinally sound, and addresses real-life issues. These books are great for personal study, ministry, and discipleship. I hope Missouri Baptists utilize these valuable resources, and that aspiring authors are encouraged to publish their insights and life lessons through High Street Press.”

*John Hessel
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