Ambassadors for Christ - Article 2

RODNEY L. SMITH · SATURDAY, MARCH 27, 2021

Apologetics

What is Apologetics? "Earnestly contend for the Faith which was once for all delivered to the saints (holy ones, us)" (Jude 3).

- \cdot A thoughtful, well-reasoned defense of Christianity
- · Shared with others
- \cdot Motivated out of love and a desire to see everyone saved

A. <u>Spiritual conversation</u>—talk about your story. Talk about God's story. Listen to others' stories and share your thoughts informed by God's Word. Share God's Word and what it says about anyone's specific situation. Give them the biblical Jesus and the gospel. Defend and stand for biblical truth—Call for Decisions/ Call Disciples. (2 Corinthians 5:14-21; Colossians 4:2-6)

B. <u>Spiritual formation</u>—to make disciples you must be a disciple. Develop and grow in wisdom, basic training and continual development for warfare as a soldier—Continuous Development/ Continuously Develop. Then bring others into your journey and/or lead them through where you have already passed. (2 Timothy 3:10-4:5; Ephesians 6:10-20)

C. <u>Spiritual warfare</u>—become a soldier for Christ, a warrior of light, a Word Warrior. Correct, rebuke, reprove in good Christian love and character. Strongly and firmly point to the truth of God and his Word—Combat Deceptions (2 Corinthians 10:1-6; Titus 1:7-2:1).