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SCHEDULE - THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 18

6:45 p.m. - 7:15 p.m.

7:15 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

8:00 p.m. - 8:15 p.m.

8:15 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.

9:00 p.m. - 9:15 p.m.

9:15 p.m. - 10:00 p.m.

Announcements and Introductions

WILLIAM LANE CRAIG Arguments for God

Break

J. WARNER WALLACE Person of Interest

Break

GARY HABERMAS The Historical Case for the Resurrection of Jesus

SCHEDULE - FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 19

6:45 p.m 6:55 p.m.	Announcements
6:55 p.m 7:45 p.m.	J.P. MORELAND The Case for Miracles
7:45 p.m 7:55 p.m.	Break
7:55 p.m 8:55 p.m.	PARALLEL SESSIONS A ROBERT STEWART: A-Paul-ogetics: The Apologetics of the Apostle Paul PAUL GOULD: The Unexpected Power of Art and Beauty in Apologetics SCOTT RAE: Bioethics and the Assault on Human Dignity JEREMIAH J. JOHNSON: Unleashing Peace: Experiencing God's Shlom in Your Pursuit of Happiness JANA HARMON: Anything but Christianity: How Skeptics Become Seekers
8:55 p.m 9:05 p.m.	Break
9:05 p.m 10:00 p.m.	JOHN BLOOM Archaeological Apologetics

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SCHEDULE - SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 20

8:45 a.m.	Announcements
8:55 a.m 9:45 a.m.	CRAIG HAZEN Fearless Prayer: Why We Don't Ask and Why We Should
9:45 a.m 9:55 a.m.	Break
9:55 a.m 10:50 a.m.	PARALLEL SESSIONS B GREG KOUKL: Faithfulness Is Not Theologically Complicated PAUL COPAN: Is God a Vindictive Bully? Reconciling Views of God in the OT and NT WILLIAM A. DEMBSKI: Making Apologetics an Effective Instrument for Cultural Change BRETT KUNKLE: If God is Good, Why Is There Evil and Suffering? CLAUDIA KALMIKOV: Responding to Relativism
10:50 a.m 11:10 a.m.	Break
11:10 a.m. – 12:05 p.m.	PARALLEL SESSIONS C SCOTT SMITH: Evolution's Fatal Flaw: How Naturalistic Science Digs Its Own Grave MEGAN ALMON: Making and Defending the Case for Life on Hostile Turf JOHN KALMIKOV: Dealing with Doubt ERIC HERNANDEZ: Spiritual Warfare and the Dominant Strongholds in Our Culture TIM STRATTON: The Apologetic Significance of "Molinism"
12:05 p.m 12:15 p.m.	Break
12:15 p.m. – 1:00 p.m.	GREG KOUKL Tactics in the Defense of the Faith

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Dr. Bloom holds a Ph.D. in Physics from Cornell University and a Ph.D. in Ancient Near Eastern Studies from the Annenberg Research Institute (now the Center for Judaic Studies of the University of Pennsylvania). He is the Academic Director of Biola's M.A.-Science and Religion degree program and former Chair of the Chemistry, Physics and Engineering Department



WILLIAM LANE CRAIG, PH.D., D. THEOL.

William Lane Craig is Guest Lecturer of Philosophy at Talbot School of Theology at Biola University and at HBU. With two earned doctorates in philosophy and theology, he has authored or edited over forty books, including *The Kalam Cosmological Argument*; Assessing *the New Testament Evidence for the Historicity of the Resurrection of Jesus*; *Divine Foreknowledge and Human Freedom*; *God, Time, and Eternity*; and *God and Abstract Objects*, as well as popular books in Christian Apologetics such as *On Guard* and his signature book *Reasonable Faith*. In 2016 he was named by The Best Schools one of the 50 most influential living philosophers. He is the founder and president of the ministry Reasonable Faith. Visit the website at www. reasonablefaith.org.



GARY HABERMAS, PH.D.

Gary R. Habermas (Ph.D., Michigan State University) has authored or edited some 43 books, half of which center on various aspects of Jesus' resurrection, including Did Jesus Rise from the Dead? and The Risen Jesus and Future Hope. He has been a Visiting or Adjunct Professor at more than 15 different graduate schools and seminaries in the United States and other countries, having taught dozens of graduate courses in these contexts. He is currently Distinguished Research Professor and Chair of the Department of Philosophy at Liberty University, teaching full-time in the Ph.D. program at Liberty's Theological Seminary.

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GREG KOUKL, M.A., M.A.

Greg has spoken on more than 70 college and university campuses both in the U.S. and abroad and has hosted his own call-in radio show for 27 years advocating "Christianity worth thinking about." An awardwinning writer and best-selling author, Greg has written seven books, including The Story of Reality and Tactics. Greg received his Masters in Philosophy of Religion and Ethics at Talbot School of Theology at Biola University, graduating with high honors. He is an adjunct professor in the Christian Apologetics Program at Biola University.



JP MORELAND, PH.D.

J. P. Moreland is Distinguished Professor of philosophy at Talbot School of Theology, Biola University. He received a B. S. in physical chemistry from the University of Missouri, a Th.M. in theology from Dallas Theological Seminary, an M.A. in philosophy from the University of California at Riverside, and a Ph.D. in philosophy at the University of Southern California. He has spoken and debated on over 200 college campuses and taught in 500 or so churches around the world. In addition, he has authored, edited, or contributed papers to ninety-five books, including Does God Exist? (Prometheus), Universals (McGill-Queen's), and more. He has also published over 85 articles in journals such as Philosophy and Phenomenological Research and American Philosophical Quarterly. Moreland was selected in August, 2016 by The Best Schools as one of the 50 most influential living philosophers in the world.



J. WARNER WALLACE, M.A.

J. Warner Wallace is a cold-case homicide detective, popular national speaker and best-selling author. He continues to consult on cold-case investigations while serving as a Senior Fellow at the Colson Center for Christian Worldview. He is also an adjunct professor of apologetics at Biola University and a faculty member at Summit Ministries. J. Warner's professional investigative work has received national recognition; his cases have been featured more than any other detective on NBC's Dateline, and his work has also appeared on CourtTV and Fox News. He is the author of the book *Cold Case Christianity* and *Person of Interest*.

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MEGAN ALMON, M.A.

Megan Almon, a former University of Georgia gymnast, worked as an award-winning journalist until 2008, when she decided to pursue a career speaking and teaching about Christian apologetics — especially in the areas of bioethics and beauty. She joined Life Training Institute in 2009, and was awarded an M.A. in Christian apologetics from Biola University in 2011.

Megan and her husband, Tripp — Director of Summit Semester, a gap year program for Summit Ministries — have been married since 2003 and have two children, Neely and Rogan. Megan enjoys spending time with her family at home in Manitou Springs, Colorado, and is still known to practice handstands in her kitchen. She has spoken to high schooland-college assemblies and classrooms, youth organizations, women's groups, pregnancy care centers, congregations, and legislators both nationally and internationally.



PAUL COPAN, PH.D.

Paul Copan is a Christian theologian, analytic philosopher, apologist, and author. He is currently a professor at the Palm Beach Atlantic University and holds the endowed Pledger Family Chair of Philosophy and Ethics. He is the author of a range of books including *Is God a Moral Monster?*



BILL DEMBSKI, PH.D., PH.D.

Bill Dembski holds doctorates in mathematics and philosophy from the University of Chicago and the University of Illinois at Chicago respectively. He also holds an MDiv from Princeton Theological Seminary. He is a writer, researcher, and entrepreneur. A wide-ranging scholar, he has contributed to the peer-reviewed literature in mathematics, engineering, philosophy, and theology. He has authored and/ or edited over 25 books, many of them on aspects of the theory of intelligent design, notably The Design Inference: Eliminating Chance Through Small Probabilities (Cambridge University Press, 1998). His main work these days focuses on developing educational technologies, especially data analytics tools for assessing influence in education (AcademicInfluence.com). He has recently coauthored with Robert J. Marks a biography of Walter Bradley titled For a Greater Purpose. A baseball fan, he also coauthored (with Alex Thomas and Brian Vikander) the definitive biography, of Steve "White Lightning" Dalkowski, reputed to be the fastest pitcher ever (and the inspiration for Nuke LaLoosh in the film Bull Durham).



PAUL M. GOULD, PH.D.

Paul M. Gould (PhD, Purdue University) is associate professor of philosophy of religion and director of the M.A. Philosophy of Religion program at Palm Beach Atlantic University. He has published eleven books, including A Good and True Story (Brazos, forthcoming), Cultural Apologetics (Zondervan, 2019), and Philosophy: A Christian Introduction with Jamie Dew (Baker Academic, 2019). He has been a visiting scholar at Trinity Evangelical Divinity School's Henry Center, working on the intersection of science and faith, and is the founder and president of the Two Tasks Institute. You can find out more about him and his work at www.paul-gould.com and https://www.twotasksinstitute.org. He is married to Ethel and has four children, all of whom roll their eyes when he starts to wax philosophical around the dinner table. He likes to hike with his family, exploring God's handiwork and seeing how all things point to and illuminate the divine.



JANA HARMON, PH.D.

Jana Harmon hosts the Side B Podcast where former atheists tell their stories of conversion from disbelief to belief in God and Christianity. She is a Teaching Fellow for the C.S. Lewis Institute of Atlanta and former adjunct professor in Cultural Apologetics at Biola University where she received an M.A. in Christian Apologetics. Jana also holds a Ph.D. in Religion and Theology from the University of Birmingham in England. Her research focused on religious conversion of atheists to Christianity.



ERIC HERNANDEZ

Eric Hernandez is a dynamic evangelist and apologist with a heart for proclaiming the gospel and defending the faith on theological and philosophical grounds. He is a licensed minister, a certified formation therapist, and is the Apologetics Lead and Millennial Specialist for The Baptist General Convention of Texas. He has spoken and debated on a public level at university college campuses where he adamantly and adequately defends the Christian faith against atheist, agnostic, and deistic professors of different worldviews. He holds an associate degree in social science, a bachelor's degree in theology, and a certificate in apologetics from Biola University.



JEREMIAH J. JOHNSTON, PH.D.

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CLAUDIA KALMIKOV, M.A.

Claudia is a Christian apologist, national speaker, and blogger. She holds a B.A. in Business with a concentration in Sales from California State University Fullerton and an M.A. in Christian Apologetics from Talbot Seminary. She blogs at Straight Talk With Claudia K and is on the speaking team for the Biola On The Road Apologetics conferences, and teaches the women's Bible studies at her church.

Claudia has been a repeat guest on the KKLA radio show in Los Angeles, Real Life With Gina Pastore and David James, and her blog posts have been published multiple times in The Poached Egg online apologetics magazine. She is also a member of Women In Apologetics and is a contributing writer and speaker for the same. Claudia has a background in corporate sales, spent 21 years raising two sons, and now teaches apologetics in the hopes of making an eternal impact in the world for Christ.



JOHN KALMIKOV, M.A.

John received his Bachelor of Arts in Business Administration/Finance from California State University Fullerton in 1983. He has earned his living in commercial real estate for 38 years, as a developer and an apartment broker/Investor. In 2016, he earned a Masters of Arts in Christian Apologetics from Talbot Seminary at Biola University, and speaks and teaches apologetics. John has been married to Claudia for 36 years and together, they have two grown sons. His hobbies are boating, hiking, and cycling. He is known as the cycling trail evangelist.



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TIM STRATTON, PH.D.

Timothy A. Stratton (PhD, North-West University) is a professor at Trinity College of the Bible and Theological Seminary. As a former youth pastor, he is now devoted to answering deep theological and philosophical questions he first encountered from inquisitive teens in his church youth group. Stratton is founder of FreeThinking Ministries, a web-based apologetics ministry. Stratton speaks on church and college campuses around the country and offers regular videos on Free-Thinking Ministries' YouTube channel. Check out his book *Human Freedom, Divine Knowledge*, and *Mere Molinism*.

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THE HISTORICAL CASE FOR THE RESURRECTION OF JESUS

GARY HABERMAS -

1. Paul's Preaching of the Gospel Message (1 Cor. 15:1-2)

A. The Gospel Facts

B. Faith

2. The Early Creed(s) in 1 Corinthians 15:3ff

A. Literary Characteristics

B. Early Dates in Paul's Reception of the Gospel Data (Galations 1-2)

C. Eyewitness Testimony

D. Empty Tomb

3. The Importance of the Resurrection (1 Corinthians 15:53-58)

A. Endurance

B. Work

C. Conquering Death

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THE CASE FOR MIRACLES

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