



# My Ready Defense

## Week 2 - Does it Really Matter?

*It's not a salvation issue for you, if you confess with your mouth the Lord Jesus and believe in your heart that God has raised Him from the dead (Romans 10:9). It is an issue of the authority of the Word of God, which is an evangelism issue, and therefore often a salvation issue for others.*

1. If the foundations be destroyed, what can the righteous do? (Psalms 11:3).
2. In Canada, weekly church attendance dropped to just over 30% in 1975, and to around 20% in 2000.
3. The church is not touching the culture, because the culture has actually invaded the church.
4. Barna Research found that two thirds of young people are walking away from the church by college age. Already Gone research found that most people who left the church, were not taught how to defend their faith.
5. When we say that you can add millions of years and evolution into the Bible, we undermine the history that is foundational to all doctrine and we undermine the very Word of God.
6. Every single biblical doctrine of theology is directly or indirectly founded in Genesis 1-11.
7. Instead of teaching children Bible "stories", we should be teaching them real history. We need to be preparing generations today to be able to stand on the authority of the Word of God and to give answers.
8. Men and animals were originally plant eaters (Genesis 1:29-30). It wasn't until after the Flood that man was given permission to eat everything (Genesis 9:3). There was no death before sin. All was "very good" (Genesis 1:31).
9. If the fossil record was laid down millions of years before man, then you have death, disease, thorns, etc., before the Fall, which undermines the authority of the Word of God.
10. Much of the church has changed foundations from God's Word to man's word, by adopting evolution and millions of years into the Bible.
11. We have to raise up generations who will stand on the authority of the Word of God, who know how to defend their faith, know how to give answers to skeptical questions of this age, because it's those people who will be salt and light and change the culture.