

Apologetics in the Crucible

Conversation is the space
where challenging
apologetics most commonly
occurs

Always be prepared to give an answer to everyone who asks you to give the reason for the hope that you have. But do this with gentleness and respect, keeping a clear conscience, so that those who speak maliciously against your good behavior in Christ may be ashamed of their slander.

1 Peter 3:15-16

**A good apologetic
conversation requires us to
*be prepared***

Knowing the Current Cultural Landscape

*All our dialogue with
unbelievers' functions as a
missionary encounter*

A TRULY POST-CHRISTENDOM EVANGELISTIC DYNAMIC

(Tim Keller)

Knowing the Current Cultural Landscape

***Our conversations tend to start
from the place of hostility towards
Christianity***

What does conversational apologetics look like?

Two Modes

Defence mode

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A. Owning up where the charges
are valid

Defence mode

B. Correcting false narratives

Offence mode

Offence mode

The Use of the Question

The Capability of a Question

A. Exposing Belief Systems

The Capability of a Question

B. Questioning their Answers