Conversational Apologetics

Conversational apologetics presents the greatest opportunity and challenge to our engagement with unbelievers

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

Our dialogue with unbelievers functions as a missionary encounter

A TRULY POST-CHRISTENDOM EVANGELISTIC DYNAMIC

(Tim Keller)

Most of our conversations tend to start from the place of hostility towards Christianity

What conversational apologetics look like

Two Modes

Defence mode

A. Owning up where the charges are valid

B. Correcting false narratives

Offence mode

The Use of the Question

A. Exposing Belief Systems

B. Questioning their Answers