



Apologetics

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What is apologetics?

Apologetics is the rational justification of the Christian faith. She formulates positive reasons for believing in God, Christ, and the Bible, while eliminating barriers to faith through answers to false accusations. This task was undertaken by those Christians who were well acquainted with the philosophical and rhetorical culture of the pagan world. They carried out a grandiose work on the disclosure of the foundations of the Christian faith in front of the educated and influential layers of Greco-Roman society.



THE TERM "APOLOGETICS"

The term "apologetics" comes from the Greek "apology" i. intercession, justification. Apologetics refers to the trend in Christian philosophy, which came out in defense of Christian dogma - mainly during the period of the formation of Christianity and the struggle against paganism. The time of the most intensive development of apologetics of the second and fifth centuries, especially during the period of mass persecution of Christians.





APOLOGETIC FUNCTIONS

Apologetics as a defense of truth. The need to uphold the integrity of the teachings of Christ arose as early as the first century of our era, when heretics and false teachers began to preach their own fantasies, posing as the Word of God. The Lord directly calls upon us to “strive for the faith once betrayed to the saints” and “always be ready to give an account of our hope.

Apologetics as the exposure of errors. The defense of truth must be not only passive, but also active. In fact, all the major New Testament epistles are absenteeism with Judaizers, antinomians, and agnostics. The Lord calls us not only "not to participate in the barren deeds of darkness, but also to denounce."

Apologetics as the preaching of truth. This aspect of apologetics is of particular importance in our days, in the era of religious pluralism and postmodernism.

Justin Philosoph

Justin Philosoph (Justin the Great, Justin of Rome, Justin Muchenik, Justin Muchenik; ancient Greek.

Ιουστίνος ὁ Φιλόσοφος; c. 100—165) - used to use the word for a word that is already 100 years old. The path of the Christian, according to Justin, is the path of charity, the meaning of gatherings of Christians, their liturgy is charity. The first instilled in Christian doctrine the concepts of Greek philosophy and laid the foundation for a theological interpretation of history. According to Justin, the ancient philosophers explained to the pagans the truth of the Old Testament, and philosophy is possible because the ability of God-knowledge is inherent in man (therefore, ancient philosophy is not useless, but serves as a preparation for the New Testament).



Thank you for attention!!!!

