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General Information:

- Born: 1956
- Christian Conversion: April 11, 1972
- Married: Rebekah Howe

Education:

- Ph.D. in Philosophy, University of Arkansas, Fayetteville, Arkansas
Doctoral Dissertation: *A Defense of Thomas Aquinas' Second Way* 2004
- Marquette University, Milwaukee, Wisconsin; Ph.D. studies in Philosophy
- M.A. in Philosophy, University of Mississippi, Oxford, Mississippi
Masters Thesis: *An Analysis of William Lane Craig's Kalam Cosmological Argument* 1990
- B.A. in Bible, Mississippi College, Clinton, Mississippi 1980
- Northeast Mississippi Junior College, Booneville, Mississippi; studies in Music

Teaching Positions

- Southern Evangelical Seminary
Charlotte, NC Professor of Philosophy and Apologetics Current
- Southern Evangelical Seminary
Charlotte, NC Adjunct Professor of Apologetics Summer 2007 - Spring 2008
- Luther Rice University
Lithonia, GA Assistant Professor of Philosophy Summer 2007 - Spring 2008
- Luther Rice University
Lithonia, GA Adjunct Professor of Philosophy Spring 2007
- University of Arkansas,
Fayetteville, AR Graduate Teaching Assistant Fall 2001 - Spring 2004
- Southern Evangelical Seminary,
Charlotte, NC Associate Professor of Philosophy and Apologetics Fall 1995 - Summer 2001
- Marquette University,
Milwaukee, WI Graduate Teaching Assistant Fall 1990 - Fall 1992
- Mississippi State University,
Starkville, MS Instructor in Philosophy Fall 1989 - Spring 1990
- University of Mississippi,
Oxford, MS Graduate Teaching Assistant Fall 1987 - Spring 1989

Staff and Ministry Positions

- Southern Evangelical Seminary Director of the Ph.D. Program Current
- Contributing Writer *Christian Research Journal* Current
- Southern Evangelical Seminary
Charlotte, NC Registrar and Director of Admissions Fall 1998-Summer 2001
- President, The Issachar Institute
(501.c.3 organization)
Tupelo, MS Itinerate speaking and position papers on Christian apologetics Spring 1993-Summer 1995
- Lawndale Presbyterian Church
Tupelo, MS Minister of Youth 1987; 1989 - 1990; 1993
- First Baptist Church
College Park, GA Summer Youth Minister Summer 1981

University and Seminary Courses Taught

- Philosophy
 - *Introduction to Philosophy*
 - *Logic*
 - *Critical Thinking*
 - *Metaphysics*
 - *History of Ancient and Medieval Philosophy*
 - *History of Modern and Contemporary Philosophy*
- *Philosophy of Human Nature*
- *Contemporary Ethics*
- *Values and Ethics*
- *Contemporary Moral Problems*
- *Seminar on David Hume*
- *Seminar on Contemporary Atheism*

Apologetics

- *Apologetics*
- *Apologetic Systems*
- *World Views*
- *Creationism*
- *Contemporary Cults*
- *World Religions*
- *Seminar on Contemporary Occultism*
- *Christian Ethical Issues and Apologetics*

Theology

- *Soteriology*

Honors:

- *Evangelical Press Association* for the *Christian Research Journal* article "Witchcraft: It May Not Be What You Think" 2006
- *Thomas Vernon Award* for outstanding undergraduate teaching, Department of Philosophy, University of Arkansas 2003
- *Outstanding Teacher Nominee* from the Associated Student Government and the Student Alumni Board of the University of Arkansas 2001
- *Outstanding Young Men of America* 1989
- First Place, Student Essay Contest of the *Mississippi Philosophical Association* 1989
- *Who's Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges* 1987
- *United States Achievement Academy National Collegiate Award* in Philosophy 1987
- *United States Achievement Academy Academic All American* 1987

Professional Associations:

- Evangelical Philosophical Society
- Society of Christian Philosophers
- International Society of Christian Apologetics

Publications

- "On the Function of Philosophy" in the *Christian Apologetics Journal* Forthcoming, Summer 2008
- "Dualism" and "Empiricism" articles in *The Popular Encyclopedia of Apologetics*. Edited by Ed Hindson and Ergun Caner. Eugene, OR: Harvest House Publishers, 2008
- "Are There Historical Errors in the Bible?" *Areopagus Journal: Journal of the Apologetics Resource Center*. Nov. 2007
- "The New Testament, Jesus Christ, and *The Da Vinci Code*" chapter in *Reasons for Faith: Making the Case for the Christian Faith*. Edited by Norman L. Geisler and Chad V. Meister. Wheaton, IL: Crossway Books, 2007
- "Witchcraft" chapter in *Reasons for Faith: Making the Case for the Christian Faith*. Edited by Norman L. Geisler and Chad V. Meister. Wheaton, IL: Crossway Books, 2007

- Book review of Garret J. DeWeese and J. P. Moreland, *Philosophy Made Slightly Less Difficult: A Beginner's Guide to Life's Big Questions* (Downers Grove, IL: InterVarsity Press, 2005) *Christian Research Journal*, Vol. 29, No. 5, 2006, p. 43.
- Book review of Ron Rhodes, *Find It Quick Handbook on Cults & New Religions: Where Did They Come From? What Do They Believe? and Answering the Objections of Atheists, Agnostics, & Skeptics* (Eugene, OR: Harvest House Publishers, 2006) *Christian Research Journal*, Vol. 29, No. 5, 2006, pp. 42-43.
- Book review of *Protecting Your Teen from Today's Witchcraft: A Parent's Guide to Confronting Wicca and the Occult* (Minneapolis: Bethany House Publications, 2005) by Steve Russo. *Christian Research Journal*, Vol. 29, No. 2, 2006, p. 46.
- "Satanism: A Taste for the Dark Side." *Christian Research Journal*, Vol. 28, No. 5, 2005, p. 41.
- Book review of *Hard Questions Real Answers* (Wheaton, IL: Crossway Books, 2003) by William Lane Craig. *Christian Research Journal*, Vol. 28, No. 5, 2005, p. 41.
- Book review of *Thinking about God: First Steps in Philosophy* (Downers Grove, IL: InterVarsity Press, 2004) by Gregory E. Ganssle. *Christian Research Journal*, Vol. 28, No. 5, 2005, p. 41.
- "From the Nature God to the God of Nature: Reaching Out to Wiccans" *Christian Research Journal*, Vol. 28, No. 4, 2005, pp. 10-11.
- "Witchcraft: It May Not Be What You Think." Winner of the Evangelical Press Association's award of "Higher Goals," Third Place in General Article (Long) category, 2006 *Christian Research Journal*, Vol. 28, No. 1, 2005, pp. 12-21.
- "Knowing Christianity is True: The Relationship between Faith and Reason" chapter (with Dr. Tom Howe) in *To Everyone an Answer: A Case for the Christian World View*. Edited by Francis J. Beckwith, William Lane Craig, and J. P. Moreland. Downers Grove, IL: InterVarsity Press, 2004.
- Book review of *God? A Debate Between a Christian and an Atheist* (Oxford: Oxford University Press, 2004) by William Lane Craig and Walter Sinnott-Armstrong *Christian Research Journal*, Vol. 27, No. 6, 2005, p. 40.
- "Some Concerns about John C. Maxwell" *Midwest Christian Outreach Journal*, 2003
- "Does the Bible Teach Reincarnation?" *Midwest Christian Outreach Journal*, 1996
- *Homosexuality in America: Exposing the Myths* American Family Association, 1994
- "Holistic Medicine, Dr. Bernie Siegel and New Age Occultism" *The Issachar Institute Newsletter*, Dec. 1995
- "Does the Bible Teach Reincarnation? How New Agers User the Bible" *The Issachar Institute Newsletter*, Nov. 1995

- "Deceived by the Light: A Look at *Embraced by the Light*" *The Issachar Institute Newsletter*, Jan. 1995
- "The Case for Christianity, Pt. 5: Conclusion: What Did Jesus Believe about the Bible?" *The Issachar Institute Newsletter*, Aug. 1994
- "The Case for Christianity, Pt 4: Who Is Jesus? His Resurrection" *The Issachar Institute Newsletter*, May 1994
- "The Case for Christianity, Pt. 3: Who Is Jesus?" *The Issachar Institute Newsletter*, April 1994
- "The Case for Christianity, Pt. 2: The Authenticity of the Bible: Is the Bible Historically Accurate?" *The Issachar Institute Newsletter*, March 1994
- "The Case for Christianity, Pt. 1: The Historicity of the Bible: Is the Bible Historically Reliable?" *The Issachar Institute Newsletter*, Jan. 1994
- "The Dangers of the New Age Movement, Pt. 2" *The Issachar Institute Newsletter*, Dec. 1993
- "The Dangers of the New Age Movement, Pt. 1" *The Issachar Institute Newsletter*, Nov. 1993

Debates

- University of Arkansas Fayetteville, AR "Does God Exist?" with Doug Krueger, author of *What is Atheism? A Short Introduction* (Amherst, NY: Prometheus Books, 1998). 11/29/04
- St. Joseph Catholic Church Fayetteville, AR "How is a Sinner Justified before God?" A Catholic/Protestant Forum on the Doctrine of Justification with Mr. Bill Rutland 06/26/04
- University of Arkansas Fayetteville AR "Does God Exist?" with Doug Krueger 04/17/03
- University of Florida Gainesville, FL "Does God Exist?" with Dan Barker of the Freedom from Religion Foundation, Madison, Wisconsin, author of *Losing Faith in Faith* (Madison, WI: Freedom from Religion Foundation, 1992). 12/07/97
- WELO Radio, *Insights* with host Ken Hurt Tupelo, MS On-air dialogue on Holistic Health and The Bernie Siegel Conference with Dr. Bernie Siegel author of *Love, Medicine and Miracles* (New York: Harper and Row Publishers, 1986). 9/23/94
- Perimeter Presbyterian Church Atlanta, GA "The New Age Movement" with Dr. Mark Woodhouse author of *A Preface to Philosophy* (Belmont, CA: Wadsworth Publishing, 1990). 11/05/89
- Perimeter Presbyterian Church Atlanta, GA Panel debate (together with Donald Dicks) on "The New Age Movement" with Dr. Mark Woodhouse author of *A Preface to Philosophy* (Belmont, CA: Wadsworth Publishing, 1990) and Mr. Jack Clarke 10/01/88

Conferences and Seminars

- *National Conference on Christian Apologetics*, Charlotte, NC "Answering the Apostles of the New Atheism" 11/08/08
- *Men of Valor Conference*, Charlotte, NC "Answering the Apostles of the New Atheism" 11/01/08
- *Areopagus Study Center*, Atlanta, GA Panel discussion on "Expelled: No Intelligence Allowed" 05/07/08
- *Spiritual Counterfeits Conference* Southern Evangelical Seminary Charlotte, NC Answering the Village Atheists: The Four Horsemen of the "New Atheism" 03/29/08
- *California Christian Apologetics Conference*, Oakland, CA Answering the Atheist 09/08/07
- *California Christian Apologetics Conference*, Oakland, CA The Marks of a Cult 09/08/07
- *Spiritual Counterfeits Conference* Southern Evangelical Seminary Charlotte, NC The Marks of a Cult Satanism: A Taste of the Dark Side 03/03/07
- Evangelical Philosophical Society Washington, DC Thomistic Responses to Some Objections to Aquinas' Cosmological Argument 11/15/06
- Evangelical Philosophical Society Atlanta, GA Two Notions of the Infinite in Thomas Aquinas' *Summa Theologica* I, Questions 2 and 46 11/23/03
- *National Conference on Apologetics, Cults, and Other Religions* Southern Evangelical Seminary Charlotte, NC New Age Scripture Twisting: How New Age Thinking Interprets the Bible 11/01/00
- *National Conference on Apologetics, Cults, and Other Religions* Southern Evangelical Seminary Charlotte, NC The Jesus of Star Wars 11/13/99
- *National Conference on Apologetics, Cults, and Other Religions* Southern Evangelical Seminary Charlotte, NC The Science of Creation 11/14/98
- *National Conference on Apologetics, Cults, and Other Religions* Southern Evangelical Seminary, Charlotte, NC Answering the Atheists; What About Those Who Have Never Heard the Gospel? 11/07/97
- *National Conference on Apologetics, Cults and Other Religions* Southern Evangelical Seminary, Charlotte, NC The New Age Effect on Society (Plenary Session); Defending the Existence of God; Defending Creation/Evolution 03/06/96
- *National Conference on Apologetics*, The Occult Background of the New Age 02/10/95

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| <i>Cults and Other Religions</i>
Southern Evangelical Seminary,
Charlotte, NC | Movement;
Deceived by the Light | |
| • <i>National Conference on Apologetics, Cults and Other Religions</i>
Southern Evangelical Seminary,
Charlotte, NC | The Occult Background of The New Age
Movement | 01/29/94 |
| • <i>American Family Association National Affiliate Conference</i>
Tupelo, MS | Affective Education | 07/24/93 |
| • <i>Atlanta Cult Awareness Conference</i>
Atlanta GA | Homosexual Theology;
The Occult Background of The New Age
Movement | 03/05/94 |
| • <i>Mississippi Philosophical Association</i> | William Lane Craig's Kalam Cosmological
Argument | 03/89 |
| • <i>Defend the Faith Conference</i>
Friendship Baptist Church,
Salisbury, NC | The New Age Movement | 02/20/99 |

Radio and Television

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| • KFFB Radio, Melbourne, AR | The Da Vinci Code | 05/12/06 |
| • Channel 5 Cable Access,
Melbourne, AR | The Da Vinci Code | 05/10/06 |
| • KFUE Radio, St. Louis, MO,
<i>Issues, Etc.</i> with host Todd Wilken | Satanism: A Taste for the Dark Side | 11/02/05 |
| • KFUE Radio, St. Louis, MO,
<i>Issues, Etc.</i> with host Todd Wilken | From the Nature God to the God of Nature:
Reaching Out to Wiccans | 08/31/05 |
| • KFUE Radio, St. Louis, MO,
<i>Issues, Etc.</i> with host Todd Wilken | Witchcraft: It May Not Be What You Think | 04/14/05 |
| • KFUE Radio, St. Louis, MO,
<i>Issues, Etc.</i> with host Todd Wilken | Some Concerns about John Maxwell | 12/18/03 |
| • WYLL Radio, Chicago, IL,
<i>Defense of the Faith</i> with host Don
Venoit | Atheism | 10/18/97 |
| • WMCA Radio, New York, NY,
with host Andy Anderson | Cults | 01/27/97 |
| • WELO Radio, Tupelo, MS,
<i>Insights</i> , with host Ken Hurt | Weekly guest discussing such issues as:
Families Restoring Excellence in Education
(F.R.E.E.) Issues; Power Grab 2000 Conference;
(public education concerns); Report on <i>The
National Conference on Apologetics, Cults, and
Other Religions</i> ; Holistic Health and The Bernie
Siegel Conference - Dialogue with Dottie
Yoeman; | 09/94 -
06/95 |

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • WAFR American Family Radio,
<i>Today's Issues</i>, Tupelo, MS | Co-Host with Tim Wildmon - Interview with R. C. Sproul, Jr. on The Marks of a Church; The Case for Christianity;
Thirty Problems with Betty J. Eadies' <i>Embraced by the Light</i> ;
Co-host with Marvin Sanders - interview with Bill Reismann author of <i>Subtle Serpent</i> | 01/13/94;
02/25/94;
07/25/94;
07/26/94;
08/12/94 |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Channel 53 Television, Booneville, MS,
<i>Lightracks</i> with host Dale Ross | New Age Movement | 09/10/89;
03/31/90 |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • WRKN Radio, Brandon, MS | New Age Movement | 08/12/89 |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • WTWZ Radio, Clinton, MS | New Age Movement | 08/12/89 |

Speaking Experience

Over twenty years experience speaking in churches, schools, and homes on various apologetics and theological topics including: Apologetics; Worldviews; Relativism; Theology's Need for Philosophy; The Existence of God; The Kalam Cosmological Argument; The Historicity of the Bible; The Reliability of the New Testament; The Marks of a Cult; The *Da Vinci Code*; The World View of the Occult; Satanism; The New Age Movement; The Religion of the Force (Star Wars); World Religions; The Theology and Science of Creation; The Myths of Homosexuality; God's Golden Chain of Communication: Getting the Thoughts of God into the Actions of Men (Revelation, Inspiration, Inerrancy, Canonicity, Transmission, Translation, Interpretation, Application); The Trinity; The Will of God; Once Saved Always Saved; What About Those Who Have Never Heard the Gospel?; History of the Bible in English; James; 1 Peter; 1 John.