

## Richard G. Howe, Ph. D.

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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 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 Registrar and Director of Admissions Fall 1998-Summer 2001  
Charlotte, NC
- President, The Issachar Institute Itinerate speaking and position papers Spring 1993-Summer  
(501.c.3 organization) on Christian apologetics 1995  
Tupelo, MS
- Lawndale Presbyterian Church Minister of Youth 1987; 1989 - 1990; 1993  
Tupelo, MS
- First Baptist Church Summer Youth Minister Summer 1981  
College Park, GA

**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**

- *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, Cults and Other Religions*  
Southern Evangelical Seminary,  
Charlotte, NC      The Occult Background of the New Age Movement;  
Deceived by the Light      02/10/95

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

#### Radio and Television

- 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,  
*Issues, Etc.* with host Todd Wilken      Satanism: A Taste for the Dark Side      11/02/05
- KFUE Radio, St. Louis, MO,  
*Issues, Etc.* 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,  
*Issues, Etc.* with host Todd Wilken      Witchcraft: It May Not Be What You Think      04/14/05
- KFUE Radio, St. Louis, MO,  
*Issues, Etc.* with host Todd Wilken      Some Concerns about John Maxwell      12/18/03
- WYLL Radio, Chicago, IL,  
*Defense of the Faith* 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,  
*Insights*, 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 *The National Conference on Apologetics, Cults, and Other Religions*; 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"> <li>• WAFR American Family Radio,<br/><i>Today's Issues</i>, Tupelo, MS</li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Co-Host with Tim Wildmon - Interview with R. C. Sproul, Jr. on The Marks of a Church; The Case for Christianity;</li> <li>Thirty Problems with Betty J. Eadies' <i>Embraced by the Light</i>;</li> <li>Co-host with Marvin Sanders - interview with Bill Reismann author of <i>Subtle Serpent</i></li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>01/13/94;</li> <li>02/25/94;</li> <li>07/25/94;</li> <li>07/26/94;</li> <li>08/12/94</li> </ul> |
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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Channel 53 Television, Booneville, MS,<br/><i>Lightracks</i> with host Dale Ross</li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>New Age Movement</li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>09/10/89;</li> <li>03/31/90</li> </ul> |
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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• WRKN Radio, Brandon, MS</li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>New Age Movement</li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>08/12/89</li> </ul> |
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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• WTWZ Radio, Clinton, MS</li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>New Age Movement</li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>08/12/89</li> </ul> |
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### 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.