

### QUESTIONS ON THE PREFACE

The Preface of a book is often skipped; but in the case of *Reasonable Faith*, there is some helpful information that you don't want to miss.

1. What two approaches to the subject of Apologetics does *Reasonable Faith* not address? (ix)

Avery Dulles, the author of *A History of Apologetics*, recently wrote an article that describes the revival of Christian Apologetics occurring today. Dulles, a Catholic Cardinal and Professor of Religion and Society at Fordham University, says, "All over the United States there are signs of a revival. Evangelical Protestants are taking the lead . . . And their method succeeds. The churches that combine a concern for orthodoxy with vigorous apologetics are growing. Their seminaries attract large numbers of enthusiastic students."<sup>1</sup> Praise the Lord!

With respect to evangelical apologetic systems, you might also consult *Five Views on Apologetics*, edited by Steven B. Cowan (Grand Rapids, Mich.: Zondervan, 2000), which contrasts "classical", "evidential", "Reformed", "presuppositional", and "cumulative case" approaches to Apologetics.

2. How is *Reasonable Faith* structured? (ix) What were the *loci communes*? (x)

3. What four divisions does each chapter of the book include? (x)

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#### Notes:

1. Avery Cardinal Dulles, "The Rebirth of Apologetics," *First Things* (May 2004), p. 20.