

REASONABLE Faith
with William Lane Craig



Annual
Report
..... 2023



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Reasonable Faith's Impact 2022-2023

Because of financial partners like you, Reasonable Faith is able to provide an articulate, intelligent, and uncompromising yet gracious defense of the Christian faith in the public arena. We are committed to stewarding the resources entrusted to us in order to see this mission accomplished. Keep reading to see how your financial partnership has impacted people all around the world.

REASONABLE FAITH RESOURCES

We create a variety of resources to reach as many people as possible, whether via a digital platform or an in-person event.

VIDEOS

We have thousands of videos that range from full-length debates to short videos of answers to tough questions. These videos help provide content for a viewer at any level.

CHAPTERS

Reasonable Faith Chapters are in-person or digital meetings that gather like-minded individuals together around Dr. Craig's work. These chapters meet all around the globe.

PODCASTS

Our three podcasts, Reasonable Faith, Defenders, and In the Arena, are great for those who want to take a step deeper in their faith. Each podcast releases a new episode every week, ranging from conversations to debates and lectures.

REASONABLE FAITH APP

Our app can be downloaded on any mobile device and contains all the incredible content of our website right from your smart phone or tablet. Download it today and have our content at your fingertips in seconds!

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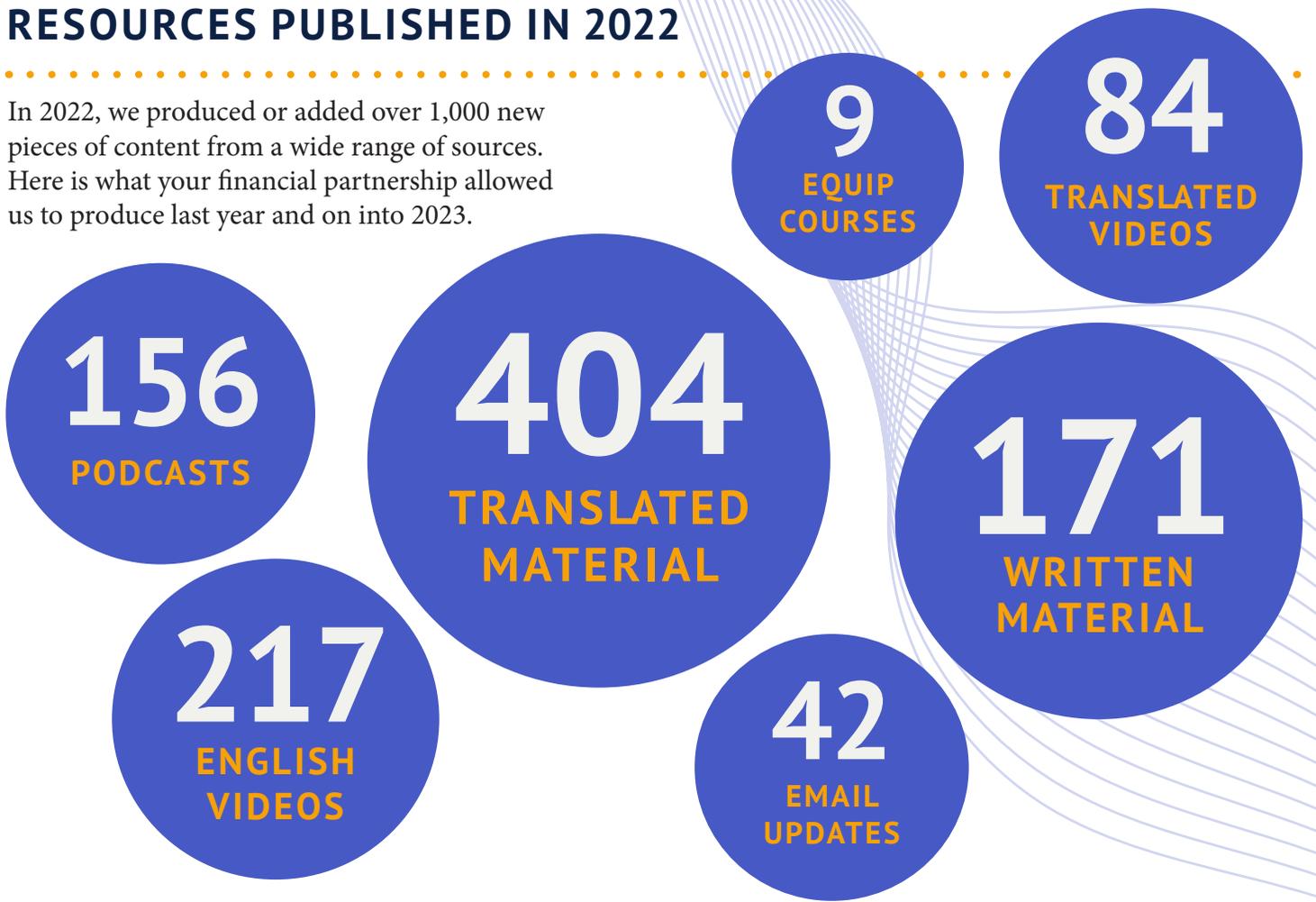
The Reasonable Faith website is the landmark platform of Reasonable Faith and serves as the archive of all our amazing content.

EQUIP

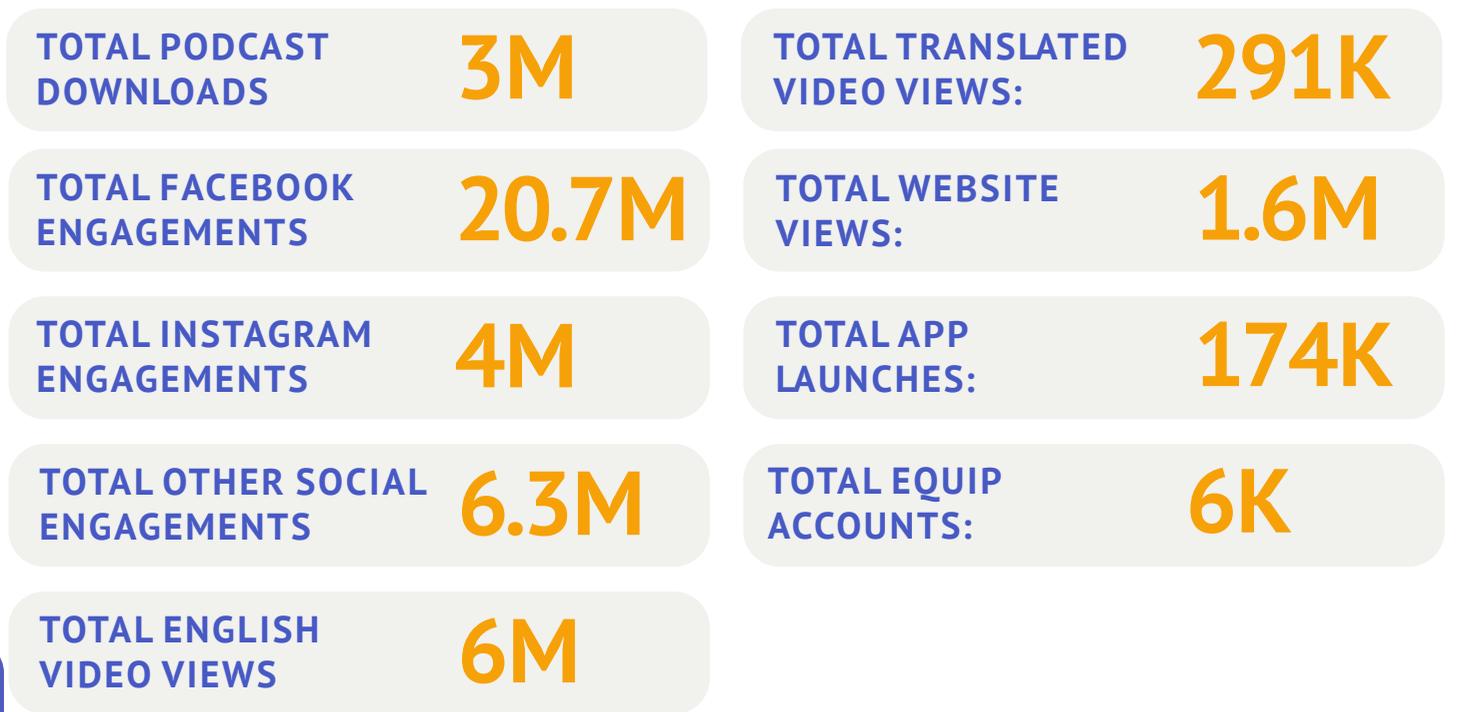
Our Equip platform hosts courses that walk a user through the mountain of content Reasonable Faith produces. Start a free account and start growing in your knowledge of Christian apologetics!

RESOURCES PUBLISHED IN 2022

In 2022, we produced or added over 1,000 new pieces of content from a wide range of sources. Here is what your financial partnership allowed us to produce last year and on into 2023.



IMPACT OF 2022-23 RESOURCES



Letter from the Executive Director



AS I REFLECT on the incredible work and legacy of Dr. William Lane Craig, the people from around the world who serve with the Reasonable Faith team creating, developing, planning, and ministering, and the financial partners who help make it all possible, I am filled with gratitude to the

Lord. We have reached monthly engagements via social media platforms that we have never seen before, averaging more than 3.5 million a month in 2023 (as of July).

I have served with Reasonable Faith for more than eleven years, fulfilling various roles along the way, and I can say, without a doubt, that I am more excited about the impact of Reasonable Faith today than I ever have been before. For years Reasonable Faith has been disseminating Dr. Craig's work to a world that is in dire need of an articulate, intelligent, uncompromising yet gracious defense of the Christian faith in the public arena. We have consistently driven toward that goal through digital platforms, local Reasonable Faith Chapters, translations, speaking engagements, and more. In September 2013, we launched the creation of our seventeen extremely popular, animation videos that take the viewer through the arguments for the existence of God and the evidence for Jesus, culminating with a personal invitation for salvation through the resurrected Jesus. These videos have reached millions of people across the globe. However, the question naturally arose: What more can be done?

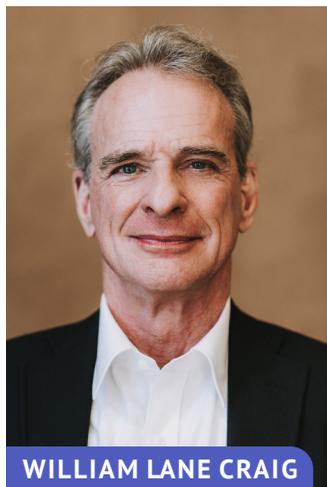
In just the last year, we began preparing for a brand new animation series on the Attributes of God (see page 10) that will start being released in 2023. We also launched a brand new digital platform called Equip (see page 11), which is a guided tour of courses through Dr. Craig's content in Christian philosophy, theology, and apologetics – all free of charge to the user. In less than a year we have begun training over 6,000 people around the world on this platform. Our local chapters continue to spread among the nations of the earth, and we now have chapters on every continent but Antarctica! We have appointed Regional Directors in Latin America and Brazil to help facilitate this growth. It is incredible to see how God has taken Reasonable Faith from the personal ministry of Dr. Craig into a worldwide ministry that is training thousands to carry on his work through their personal lives and ministries by sharing and defending the truth of Christianity.

Thank you for being such a vital part of this ministry, as none of this would be possible without financial partners like you. I cannot wait to see what the next eleven years look like for Reasonable Faith as we proclaim together: To God be the glory!

A handwritten signature in dark ink that reads "Michael Lepien".

MICHAEL LEPIEN
REASONABLE FAITH
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Systematic Philosophical Theology Update



WILLIAM LANE CRAIG

JUST AS THE pandemic hit in March of 2020, I began work on my systematic philosophical theology, the culmination of my life’s work, projected to fill several volumes. The coincidence turned out to be a happy one, since I was forced to curtail my speaking schedule and stay at home, where I could devote every working day

almost entirely to my reading and writing. It is an enormous project, which will take several years, Lord willing, to complete.

A daunting task! But I follow what Jan and I call “the turtle method,” which has served me so well in my research and writing over the years. That method comes from the story “The Tortoise and the Hare,” where, you’ll remember, the tortoise wins the race, not

by being a fast sprinter, but by his steady, relentless plodding, which over time brings him across the finish line. Given the difficulty of the material, there are days when, at the end of the day, I come upstairs from my office and tell Jan, “Well, today I wrote one paragraph.” That is not said in defeat! Rather I know that, like the tortoise, I am daily inching forward toward the eventual finish line. Therefore I am encouraged. So what has been accomplished thus far? A great deal! Here are the volumes I have completed:

VOL. I (150,700 WORDS)

Prolegomena
Locus I. Scripture
Locus II. Faith

VOL. IIA (242,000 WORDS)

Locus III. God
Pt. 1. Divine Attributes
Introduction
Incorporeality
Necessity
Aseity
Simplicity
Omniscience
Eternity
Omnipresence
Omnipotence
Goodness

PROGRESS OF MY SYSTEMATIC PHILOSOPHICAL THEOLOGY.....



VOL. IIB (174,900 WORDS)

Excursus on Natural Theology

Introduction

Contingency Argument

Kalām Cosmological Argument

Applicability of Mathematics

Fine-Tuning Argument

Moral Argument

Ontological Argument

Problem of Evil

Pt. 2. The Trinity

VOL. III. (149,000 WORDS)

Locus IV. Creation

Creation, Conservation, and Concurrence

Providence

Excursus on the Origin and Evolution of Life

I'm planning to finish out Vol. III by treating Locus V. Man, which is the subject of my current study.

You'll notice that Vol. II on the Doctrine of God is divided into two books, IIa and IIb. The doctrine of God is the very heart of a systematic theology and so occupies the most space. I really like dividing up Vol. II in this way to keep the Doctrine of God in one volume. Plus, as one philosopher friend reminded me, it is reminiscent of Thomas Aquinas' great *Summa Theologica* with its Part I and Part 2!

Although I've written on many of these subjects over the years and can incorporate that work into this magnum opus, in every case I have expanded and updated the discussion to include the cutting edge material on each subject, some of it not even published yet. I have learned so much, more than I ever dreamed! It's like being a student all over again. This is a labor of love: it's hard work, but I find it so rewarding!

As you can see, I'm averaging about one volume per year, which is a pretty good rate! Five loci still remain to be written:

V. Man

VI. Christ

VII. Salvation

VIII. The Church

IX. Last Things

With the exception of Doctrine of Christ, these should not be as massive as what I've already done. So this can be done! As I push forward, my request would be that you would pray for me for patience and perseverance in this long project.

FOR CHRIST AND HIS KINGDOM,

BILL



What is a Chapter?



TYSON JAMES

OUR CHAPTERS

program is essential to fulfilling the mission of Reasonable Faith in-person at the local level and has afforded attendees vital opportunities for connection in this post-quarantine moment.

Currently, there are 241 active chapters in 39 countries on

six continents (157 U.S. chapters; 84 international chapters). To manage the explosion of new chapters in Latin America and Brazil, we have hired two Regional Chapter Directors: Raul Jaramillo (Latin America) and Leandro Vilaça Borges (Brazil). Each chapter is led by a chapter director who has completed our thorough certification process and received a set of high-quality promotional materials (physical and digital) with Reasonable Faith branding. Once a chapter is launched, it receives its own landing page on the Reasonable Faith website and the chapter director is provided with an official ministry email account. Since these chapter directors are usually the only ones in their communities with apologetics training, the ministry also provides networking services for them in order to obtain speaking engagements with churches and organizations. This allows them to be educational and evangelistic resources for their broader communities.

One of the things we love about the chapters program is seeing the Lord use these chapters to take the Gospel to the farthest reaches of the globe. Pictured here are chapter directors in Nepal, Nigeria, and Peru, respectively. The chapter director in Nepal, Kamal Adhikari is shown here during his time sharing the Gospel with the Raute people, a previously unevangelized nomadic tribe of about 150-200 people in West Nepal. Note his Reasonable Faith shirt!



None of these chapters would exist without the amazing, continued support of our generous donors! Upon becoming a chapter director and hearing of all of the different kinds of support the ministry provides, one chapter director stated, “I’ve served with some of the best apologetics ministries in the world. None of them provides the amount of support that Reasonable Faith does.” This statement is the fruit of Dr. Craig’s vision from the start: that the Reasonable Faith ministry would provide a platform and resources for local apologetics to thrive in their communities.

TYSON JAMES
GLOBAL CHAPTER DIRECTOR



241 Chapters All Around the World

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New Animation Series



JIM ZANGMEISTER

AS FOLLOWERS OF CHRIST, we worship God, we pray to God, we tell people about God, and we defend the existence of God. But who is God? Can you describe him? What characteristics or attributes does he have? It's crucially important for us, as Christians, to have good answers to these questions. Here's why.

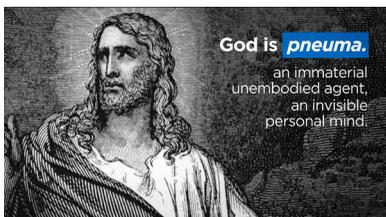
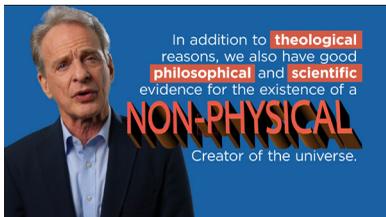
1. First, a familiarity with God's attributes enables us to defend the coherence of Theism. Many contemporary objections to the existence of God are based on the impossibility of God's having certain attributes. For example, the problem of evil is usually stated something like this: If God were all-good, he would want to rid the world of evil. And if God were all-powerful, he'd be able to rid the world of evil. But as we all know, there's evil in the world! Therefore, God is not really all-good ... or God is not really all-powerful. He cannot have both of these attributes.

Take, for example, the doctrine of the atonement. This doctrine states that when Christ died on the cross, he paid the penalty for our sins. But notice that the atonement is directly connected to God's moral attributes of justice and mercy. If God were not just, then there'd be no penalty for sin - so there would be no need to atone for our sins! And if God were not merciful, he would not allow us to escape the punishment we deserve for the sins we've committed.

3. A third reason God's attributes deserve our time and attention is that in order for us to know God we must know about God. Our understanding of who God is affects how we relate to him. This is true of our human relationships, as well. If you know that someone is completely trustworthy, for example, you will relate to him differently than you would if you didn't know this. Likewise, when you realize that God is all-good, all-knowing, and all-powerful, you're more likely to trust him with your life.

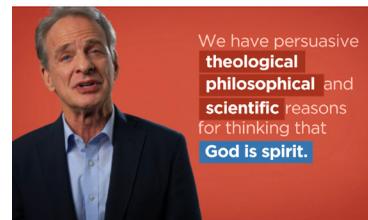
In this 10-part Attributes of God animated series, we'll explore some of the most important attributes traditionally ascribed to God. Our hope is that this

study will enable you to better defend the coherence of the idea of God, to clarify your understanding of Christian doctrine,



So the very concept of an all-good, all-powerful God just doesn't make sense!

But if the very concept of God is incoherent, then it follows immediately that he does not and cannot exist. Thus, it's absolutely critical that the Christian be able to defend the coherence of theism - that is, that the concept of God, as characterized by these various attributes, is a coherent, logically consistent idea.



2. A second reason we need to understand God's attributes is that they are determinative of the entire system of Christian thought.

and to deepen your personal relationship with God.

“Great is the Lord, and greatly to be praised, and his greatness is unsearchable.” (Psalm 145:3)

JIM ZANGMEISTER
LEAD ANIMATOR

The Equip Platform



CASEY SUDDUTH

SEVERAL YEARS AGO, we realized that Reasonable Faith had a mountain of incredible content that might seem overwhelming for an individual visiting Reasonable Faith for the first time. “Where do I start? How can I track what I know and what I don’t know?” Thus was born the idea for the Equip platform. Over the next year and a half, our team set out to see this vision realized.

In September of 2022, the Equip online course platform was finally launched. We have created a guided tour through Dr. Craig’s material with nine free courses thus far.

These courses are rooted in his short videos, articles, questions of the week, and Defenders lessons:

- **APOLOGETICS 101: INTRODUCTION**
- **APOLOGETICS 102: SPECIAL TOPICS**
- **APOLOGETICS 201: THE KALAM COSMOLOGICAL ARGUMENT**
- **APOLOGETICS 202: THE FINE-TUNING ARGUMENT**
- **APOLOGETICS 203: THE MORAL ARGUMENT**
- **APOLOGETICS 206: THE RESURRECTION**
- **APOLOGETICS 207: MIRACLES**
- **APOLOGETICS 208: THE PROBLEM OF EVIL**
- **THEOLOGY 300: THE ATTRIBUTES OF GOD**

We published Theology 300 in June 2023; this challenging course is based on lectures Dr. Craig delivered for a graduate class at Houston Christian University in 2022.

Since its launch, we have averaged about 3,000 users on the platform each month, and over 6,100 people have created accounts. Among all users, over 1,000 courses have been completed, and over 25,000 quizzes have been passed with perfect scores. We have received almost universally positive feedback from people who are becoming more confident in their faith and sharing it with others. We have even received reports of people using the courses for high school curriculum and church group studies! Each course has a forum for members to engage with each other and these forums have become more active as time goes on. A community has developed so much via Equip that we have done several Zoom meetings with Equip members to continue conversations from the courses and associated forums.

While we are pleased about how far Equip has come, we are excited about the future! In the coming months, our vision is to launch courses on the Leibnizian Contingency Argument, the Ontological Argument, as well as a course on Molinism.

We are thrilled with the many ways that Equip is being used to train God’s people in defending the faith and drawing closer to Him.

CASEY SUDDUTH

SOCIAL MEDIA DIRECTOR & EQUIP ADMIN

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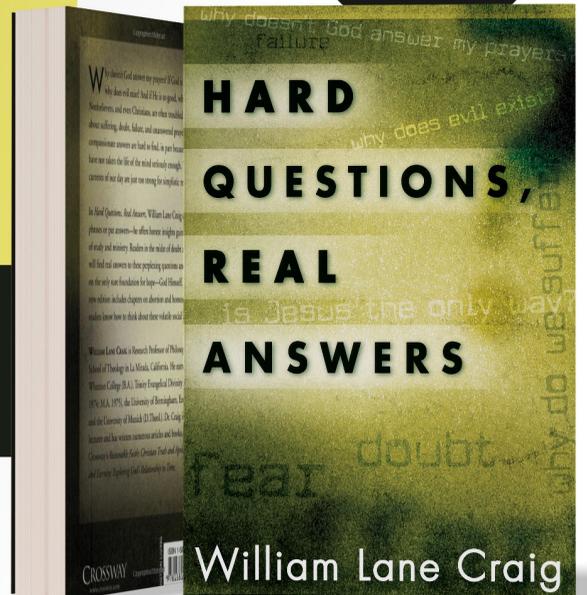
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