

*Fast Facts on Defending Your Faith* by John Ankerberg and John Weldon. (Eugene, Oregon: Harvest House Books, 2002), 187pp, paperback, \$9.99

This work is one in a series of *Fast Facts* books that are designed to provide basic information about a number of topics related to the Christian faith. These books are organized topically in a “question and answer” format, and each response briefly presents several key facts in a format that is easy to understand. Information quoted from primary source material is well documented in a series of detailed endnotes. Although there is no index for the book, information is relatively easy to find because of the topical organization of the material. Additional resources are suggested for further study, including internet web sites and several respected apologetics works by a variety of authors.

*Fast Facts on Defending Your Faith* addresses 36 questions of general apologetic interest, and it provides a concise two- to five-page answer for each of these concerns. After a brief examination of atheism and agnosticism this book deals with questions such as, “How does a person find one true God among many?” – “Does science provide evidence for God and confirm faith?” – “Can we know the New Testament documents are trustworthy?” – “How can the Bible be without error?” – “Is Jesus unique when compared with other religious founders?” – “Did Jesus actually rise from the dead?” Especially noteworthy is the fact that significant space is devoted to explaining the importance of biblical prophecy as “one of the strongest evidences of the divine inspiration of the Bible.”

Although not claiming to be comprehensive, this small volume is packed with excellent information and practical responses to difficult questions. It would be a handy book to put relevant facts at the fingertips of young people sharing the claims of Christianity in a college dorm room, of workers discussing spiritual issues with co-workers in the break-room, or of believers in a small group setting who are studying apologetics in order to become more adept at answering the questions of skeptics.

Reviewed by Steve Lewis, *High Peaks Bible Fellowship*