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How to Make Disciples By Exploring Doubts with Core Apologetics

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FRANK:

Ladies and gentlemen, how do we know that the New Testament documents are historically reliable? We have two guests on today that both have their PhDs in theology and apologetics from Liberty University. One is Ron Davis, and another is Ben Shaw.

As I say, both PhDs, some of you may know, have heard the name Ben Shaw, because Ben Shaw has been working with Dr. Gary Habermas for over a decade and he's actually helped Gary put together his four volume magnum opus, 'On the Resurrection.'

Well, Ben has written his own book. It just came out just very recently. It's called 'Trustworthy: Thirteen Arguments for the Reliability of the New Testament.' Well, we're going to have a conversation with Ron and Ben, and the person that's going to facilitate the conversation is my friend and board member, Dan Hodges, who also has a degree in apologetics from Biola University. They're going to take conversation from here. So, here we go with Ben, Ron and Dan. Take it away.

DAN:

Ladies and gentlemen, welcome to the midweek CrossExamined podcast. Our guests today are Ben Shaw and Ron Davis from CORE Apologetics. I'm Dan Hodges, Board Chairman at CrossExamined, and I wanted to cover in a very conversational way today, what CORE Apologetics is. What's up? We interviewed a year ago, I think it was Ben and Ron, his first time here.

So, I wanted to get caught up as to what's occurred over the last year, what you focused on, perhaps what some of the needs might be. And so, Ben, if you could just catch us up with what you're up to.

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BEN:

Yeah, thanks for having us. We appreciate it. It was one year ago, so this is actually about one year, almost our one year anniversary for CORE Apologetics. So, it's been a pretty exciting year. We've done a lot of things in the past year. We talked about doing online classes where we teach them live online, doing Zoom classes, and we've done those.

We're actually completing our fourth one this year, and it's on New Testament reliability. We also had one on resurrection. Ron did one on dealing with doubt, and we had a worldview and discipleship class. They've been really good. This class, we've got a heart surgeon in the class. We have--

DAN:

We got a fighter pilot.

BEN:

We've got a fighter pilot. Yeah, we've got people. It's great because we're able to help equip people who aren't planning to go to seminary, who aren't in seminary with the core truths of Christianity. So, it's been really great to do that. Right now, Ron and I, we're trying to figure out next year if we're going to double the number of classes and we're working on that schedule right now.

So, we're going to keep doing that. It's gone really well. Just to be able to interact and have live interaction with people is a great way to do that. But we've also had a number of events that we've done from Florida. We had some in Virginia beach and we're working on some for next year as well, which we're getting to get to do with Dr. Habermas, which should be fun.

DAN:

Tell me some of the comments that you've had from people that have attended. For instance, I know I've referred somebody to one of those Sunday night courses you're doing right now, and I hear great things from them. But what are some of the comments you've heard over the last year and how has it helped them with just their day to day interaction with friends and family?

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BEN:

Well, one coincidentally, another medical professional, he was, you know, he's studying, working hard, and I believe he's in medical school, or he was getting ready to start his own profession. But he was also moving at the time. But he took one of our classes on the resurrection and he said the class is a perfect length, six weeks, one hour a week.

There's enough time for him to attend our class. He could do it with his daughter if she wanted to attend with him. So, he liked he could do it with his family. But then he was equipped to go into the medical field where he's engaging with people of all different faiths, of all different worldviews and share with the hope of the resurrection.

So, that was one of the people who attended our classes. We've had a number of youth because we did a youth camp this year too. And I think Ron, you might be able to remember some of the comments from.

RON:

Yeah, we did. You had one in Indiana; you did one in West Virginia. We did a leadership event here in Charlotte called You Lead at Cramerton Church, which is just really a fantastic event. And it was leaders from youth groups from several different churches that came in and then the different topics we were focusing in on for them to be able to engage even with their fellow students and the confidence that they can have in doing so.

That was really interesting to hear and especially in some of the camp settings when it was a little more personal at times. Cause I had some, because obviously we were going through some doubt things. How do you handle these things? It is normal. This is not something that's so difficult for you to deal with. And, man, they just love understanding those things.

DAN:

Following up on this is, you know, most apologists have their shtick, right? I mean, and Dr. Gary Habermas, whom you've worked with for a dozen years, Ben have. And you've helped edit some of his recent books as well, that were his life's work. So, you're really spun up on the resurrection as well as many theological issues.

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Both of you have PhDs in theology and apologetics from Liberty University. And, Ron, correct me if I'm wrong, but you also, your specialty, I guess you could say, might be dealing with doubt.

RON:

Yes, absolutely.

DAN:

Working with Gary.

RON:

Yes. Yeah.

DAN:

Tell me a little bit about how that came to be and how that's led you down.

RON:

Well, years ago, I came across his works just trying to help a student that I've been working with maybe 15 years ago or so and came across the Thomas Factor. I didn't know how to answer some of the questions. This seemed to be a very solid student. I'm like, this doesn't sound right.

So, I was using his material, and then when I started looking at the PhD programs, different places, and you know him, Dr. H. being at Liberty, I'm like, this is where I want to go. I want to study under him. And so, this is the very first class we had. It was miracles.

And he was like, I'm working on my magnum opus. I've got zero time to help these doubters. I'm really wanting to help. Anybody want to volunteer? Well, a couple of us did. I was one. And so, he started sending them to me, and he sent me a couple of test cases, like, I wonder if this guy's going to be able to handle it.

And then the next thing I know, he's sending me all of them, like, hey, Ron. Meet this guy, you know, via email. And that's really what turned into CORE Apologetics at the end of the day.

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DAN:

So, you think it really changed your perspective?

RON:

Oh, man. Yeah. Absolutely. Right.

BEN:

Ron and Doc were talking yesterday. Because Ron, he's a numbers guy.

RON:

Oh, yeah.

BEN:

He keeps track of who he's talked to and what types of doubt.

RON:

And Doc loves to know that. He grills me on those things. Yeah.

BEN:

So, Ron, tell Dan how many, what your recent counts are.

RON:

Yeah, I had just updated these a couple days ago. I've had 1532 doubters since started helping Doc, and they come from him. They've come from all other places now, you know, through our website and the doubt course that we have. And then so he starts asking, okay, what's your average conversation?

You know, because, you know, it takes so much time. And do you average 10 conversations per doubter or whatever? And I'm like, I don't know, Doc, but that's probably about right. So, he said, what would you say? How many conversations?

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I'm like, well, if we're averaging 10, you know, because some drop out, some you have three or four conversations, some you have 30 or 40. So, 10 is probably average or maybe around 15,000 or so conversations over time. Yeah.

DAN:

That's incredible. As an aside, I've got to get one of those CORE Apologetics.

BEN:

You want this one? [Laughter]

DAN:

No. It's kind of funny. I don't know if it ever happened to you, but I'm leaving my cabin, you know, to get here yesterday. And I'm on the phone, and I get distracted, and I get an hour down the road on the way to Charlotte, you know, from being up in the Blue Ridge Mountains there, I realize I forgot my bag.

So, I have a friend here in Charlotte named TJ and he hung me up. You probably heard of him. TJ Maxx, you know, sets me up occasionally when I forget my clothes. [Laughter] But I got to get one of those.

RON:

You got it. No problem.

DAN:

To get back to it, though, if I were to have a family member come to me and say, hypothetically, come to me and say, I'm having doubts about whether this whole thing is true. I grew up with this influence of Christianity in a church and maybe even went to a Christian school, but it just doesn't resonate anymore, and I'm doubting it's true. How would you handle that initially?

RON:

Yeah, and that's a great question, because that's the question that you get from so many people, is how do you start? And that's one thing that, you know, we're so passionate about at CORE, is being able to put people in the right position to help people with different kinds of

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doubt. You know, in writing my dissertation, one thing I understood very clearly is Doc is one of the really only scholars who has designated different kinds of doubt.

And when you read the other scholars, whether it's McGrath, or Ortberg, or whoever's writing on doubt, they talk about the different kinds of doubt in those categories, but they don't designate them. And understanding the types of doubt is so important, because the first thing I want to know is what kind of doubt that they have. Just because they ask that question doesn't mean that you automatically know what type of doubt it is.

DAN:

What do you mean, what kind of doubt?

RON:

So, we categorize them. This is all from Dr. Habermas, but in three ways. You have painful doubt, which is emotional doubt. You have factual doubt. It's just asking questions about different elements of Christianity, the truthfulness of it. And then volitional doubt, which is, you know, has to do usually with the anger toward God.

Someone that, you know, professes faith but has gone through maybe a tragedy or something like that. And they don't want to engage Scripture, they don't want to do anything like that. That's a very small percentage. And I keep up with the percentages of those. Emotional is the biggest one.

DAN:

Where would a doubter be that might be engaged in something they know is wrong and therefore have kind of shouldered it away and would like to...? It's almost, maybe that's a volitional doubt then to say.

RON:

Yeah, it could be.

DAN:

Because I don't want to change my lifestyle because I like what I'm--

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RON:

Sure. Definitely I would put them in the volitional category. And that, you know, that's really very rare. That out of the 1500 plus we've had, that's a very small percentage, 4 or 5%. About 76% are emotional doubters.

DAN:

I'm a [unintelligible].

RON:

Right. [Laughter] But you know, because doubt can be a result of sin, but most of the time it is not. It's something that is a question that arises.

DAN:

So, when you get the type of doubt or the kind of doubt, then how do you further address that? Maybe hypothetical.

RON:

Yeah. So, like the way I look at it, you know, when someone has the question, did Jesus exist?

DAN:

That's a factual doubt.

RON:

They could be. Or emotional, because the factual doubter could, did Jesus exist? We'll give them the evidence, we'll look at minimal facts approach, and they'll be, oh man, that's great, thank you, I'll talk to you later. And an emotional doubter will say, did Jesus exist? And you'll give them the same exact evidence and they'll go, okay, I hear you and that's good. But what if this.

So, the emotional doubter usually isn't designated by those what if types of questions. And I agree with Dr. H, that emotional is the most common, and it's the most painful, but it's the least likely to hurt you because it's really something that you bring on yourselves.

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So, it's how you're processing that information. You know, it's not necessarily what the intrusive thoughts or the things that's going on, it's what you believe about them that's causing the long-term effects. And so, we teach people how to, you know, isolate those, designate those, remove those, replace those, and be able to...

BEN:

Conversely, if it was a factual question, how do I know Jesus rose from the dead? And then someone's like, hey, go in peace. Be filled with the presence of Jesus. That might make an emotional connection. But I've got a factual question. I'm trying to understand, how did Jesus rise from the dead?

And you're addressing my emotions. It's a crisscross. Like you're not addressing my actual needs at the moment. And so, when you start giving the factual to the fact...and sometimes, like Ron was just saying, it might start as factual, but then you understand, oh, this is more of an emotional kind. And guys typically try to, we tend to hide.

RON:

We don't want to say that. Right? Getting them to admit that can be really difficult.

DAN:

It is. It's ironic to me when you bring this up, it all of a sudden pings a thought in my head about, love the Lord, you, God, with all your heart, soul, mind and strength. And it's almost as if the kinds of doubts that you're explaining fit one of those.

RON:

Absolutely.

DAN:

It's almost synonymous with those very things.

RON:

Dead on there. Absolutely.

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DAN:

So, if you're trying to love God with your heart, soul, strength, and you just can't get your mind there, which was my case, or, gosh, almost 30 years, you know, being in the military, being a fighter pilot, I'm going to hard charge, play hard. You know, was not a nice person any way you look at it.

You know, I had in my head, I kind of knew that, you know, I knew there was a God. I was brought up, you know, saved and baptized, but I just walked away. And I liked the way I was living and didn't want to hear it.

So, it's volitional, but also in my mind, I just did not have it. When I went to Biola, you know, for the grad program in Christian apologetics, I've got to tell you, I lied my way to get in. You know, they said, well, are you this kind of Christian? And I said, yeah, yeah, yeah. But I didn't.

And then when I got in and I started researching, it was almost like the Josh McDowell one, where I was going to prove it wrong because I wanted to live the way I wanted to live. And after I got into it, went, man, this stuff is true.

So, that's the intellectual doubt I had. When that's erased, then I could actually combine it back with my heart and soul and then apply my strength to it.

BEN:

That's bridging the heart, the head, and the hands all together. Yeah. I think that's awesome. And then what's also interesting is kind of what your story is sharing is similar to what Ron and I have seen where people who go through doubts or questions, if they actually engage it and go through it, they come back stronger afterwards.

DAN:

Absolutely.

BEN:

And more capable of encouraging and equipping others to do the same.

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RON:

And that's one of the things that we want to try to help and change at CORE is just helping people understand that having these conversations are good. So, the vast majority of the people I deal with, I was asking Doc this not that long ago and he said, yes, this has been something that's normal, is when they come to me, they have been either afraid to talk to someone in leadership of their church or another Christian that they knew, or if they did, the answers they were given was almost like, you know, this is a sinful issue.

You should pray, read your Bible, you'll be okay. And you really, if you're afraid to have those conversations, I think it's very difficult to be able to address it on that level. So, we want to help people understand that even in leadership positions, like this is good. Here's the material to do it and we can help you with that.

DAN:

Yeah, I like the Barna surveys. You know, everybody talks about the Barna surveys, but they really just put statistics to what we all observe. Which is, if you do not have answers, especially for young people that have been raised in the Church, and this is my parent's religion, if you don't have answers for them, number one, you're lazy and you're actually pushing your kids away because 80% of them are going to walk away from the Church. They're going to walk away from Christianity.

Some come back, some never do. It's so important to have answers. And that's why I think CORE apologetics is such a critical ministry to have, to address doubts and to educate, you know, on why you can have confidence intellectually but also emotionally, and deal with those kinds of doubts. I think it's just invaluable.

BEN:

And for me, it was funny because when I went to Liberty, I was going there because they had a hockey team, but I found out you could ask questions there and people actually studied them, they treated them seriously. And I thought it was great because I had all those questions. A lot of times people think, oh, if I've got questions, I've got doubts.

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Well, you can have questions. If you're a disciple and you're trying to understand what it means to follow Jesus, you should have questions. What does it mean to do that? What does it look like? What does He want me to do? What's pleasing to Him? How do I know those sorts of things? And so, those are good questions to be asking. So, doing so not only addresses doubts, but it encourages and equips believers. And that's why we try to highlight that two-front position.

DAN:

So, if somebody comes to one of you and says, I, you know, I've been a Christian all my life, but I have... Don't tell anybody, but, you know, it's like, you know, I'm caught in this illicit activity of doubt. You know what, how do you address almost the guilty feelings somebody might come to you with and say, I'm having doubts. What do I do?

BEN:

Yeah, Ron's great.

RON:

Well, I mean, I had a doubt journey myself. So, when I start talking about that, they're like, you had doubts, really? And it was for years, not as long as Dr. H. This was a couple of decades. Mine was probably off and on for 8 to 10. But my biggest time was as a young person in college studying to go into ministry.

And these intrusive thoughts come into my head and the very, very strong emotional doubter. And when they find out that this is normal, and I'm like, I've had this conversation with 40 people this week. Really? You know, and that's very relieving to them. It helps them a lot. And then, you know, and I know that person's an emotional doubter right off the bat.

But then we're going to have them go, we have a doubt diagnostic tool they can go through. You answer seven questions, you read this little thing, answer seven questions, this is the type of doubt you have. And then we can address what it is.

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DAN:

Do you find most of them accept that or do they still think they're a kind of an outlier and may hold back from full admissions?

RON:

Guys have a tendency to think they're an outlier, you know, if it's emotional doubt. I'm not emotional, you know, and they usually say it that way. I'm not emotional. I'm like, okay, that's good. You know,

BEN:

I doubt it. [Laughter]

RON:

But yeah, you get them there. Yeah.

BEN:

Reminds me of the comedy bits like no yelling on the bus.

RON:

You do get the outliers a lot though. You know? Because they're emotional doubters. But what if I'm the one person this doesn't work for?

DAN:

Exactly, exactly. So, what's in store for the next year, the next 12 months if I have you back on here, you know, in 12 months, what would I hear?

BEN:

Well, we'd love to tell you about some events we've already got scheduled for 2025. We've got one in North Carolina with Dr. Habermas and we're working on another one in Tennessee with Dr. Habermas as well for that one, possibly doubling the number of classes. And then we also have something for the next generation we're trying to work on. I'll let Ron share about that.

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RON:

Just looking at what's going on in the landscape of Gen-Z and Alpha coming along and do a lot of research. You look at a lot of statistics from Barna and I missed this one. I don't know how I missed it. It came out in 2023 but it's for Gen-Z. It said 52% of Gen-Z are motivated, teenagers are motivated to learn more about Jesus.

And I'm like how did I miss that? And then the second statistic just floored me. It said 95% said the number one trustworthy source is a dedicated Christian teenager. And I thought wow, you know, that's incredible to think about. On one level it's a little scary what's a teenager going to tell another teenager?

And then I thought about what an opportunity. And so, we began just really digging into that and unpacking that and talking to a lot of next gen pastors across the country and this such a need, something that I think that we can provide. And we're looking at building a curriculum, I think we're going to call it Ask Me.

And you know, what we'd like to do is provide a couple of sessions for leaders. You know we want guys, I mean we'd love for teenagers to not, you know, to be motivated to tell and to answer those questions and if they're equipped to do so. They've got to get equipped.

So, let's train the leaders to teach them maybe a couple of sessions that are kind of, you know, very intense for them to learn the material and maybe like a six week online course that would be available for those leaders or someone in their church with life group leader to work with those teenagers that want to learn about it and then send them out there, you know?

I think when they finish, let's give them a T-shirt that says ask me about Jesus and let them wear it, you know? And see what happens. So, we're looking at do it. That's something we're really passionate about right now and trying to get that done.

DAN:

Fantastic. So, then I'm going to ask you to quantify that next year.

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RON:

Yeah, absolutely.

DAN:

Are you seeing...? Sometimes we Christians aren't very good at staying ahead. You know, in business, you know, in entrepreneurialship, you're always looking two to five years down the road at a need that's not being filled right now somewhere else.

And so, you're looking forward. You can't be an entrepreneur in reverse. It just doesn't work. So, you have to look forward and plan for that. Do your research. And sometimes we as Christians get that bad about what kids need. Are you starting to see...?

I tend to believe because I'm starting to see a skepticism where kids are doubting the social media now and realizing that they've been misled and are looking for perhaps true answers instead of popular answers. Are you seeing that?

RON:

Yeah. I think it's maybe as they're looking at the culture around them and the pressure to be authentic and what true authenticity is and pushing back again, because at the end of the day, what we're seeing from culture for a young person and embracing their own authenticity at the end of the day is arrogance because they're putting themselves in the place of God. And only God can define who we are and who we are in Christ. What is our identity? It's to be conformed to the image of His Son.

So, when a young person starts to embrace, especially a Christian young person, starts embracing the cultural elements of that as they're growing in their faith, they definitely, I think, are going to repulse against and you know, against that social media pressure that is causing them to present who they are constantly and hope the interactions with that is going to substantiate what they want other people to think that they are is embracing their own identity.

And so, once they embrace that and grasp it, I think it'd be a huge factor for them in their growth, and their faith to be authentic. True authenticity, which is who we are in Christ.

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BEN:

And the recent studies have shown, I think a number of Gen-Z, and actually as they get younger, they wish like TikTok and things like that weren't created because they're seeing the detrimental effects. And if we're surrounded by people who put themselves in the place of God, they're not typically the greatest people to be around.

It's quite unpleasant because they're very selfish and narcissistic and you don't want to be around that. But then from another perspective, Thaddeus Williams, he's got this great comment that it is an unbearable burden to put on someone to say you get to define everything in the universe.

DAN:

That's fascinating. We see that sign wave now coming back down from influencing into reality again. And I think it's just a golden opportunity that I think CORE is going to fit perfectly. And I think you entrepreneurial, wise in the ministry have read the tea leaves correctly. Let's perhaps wrap up the last five minutes. Ben, tell me about your new book, 'Thirteen Arguments.'

BEN:

Yes. So, I've got this book called, 'Trustworthy: Thirteen Arguments for the Reliability of the New Testament.' I've shared my story a little bit and how I only went to Liberty because they had a hockey team. And when I went there, there were some basics about the Bible I didn't know, even though I'd been saved for a while. And I didn't know, for example, Paul wrote half the New Testament. That's kind of a big deal.

So, when I came to Liberty, I got to ask those questions, and I started to really get disciplined. Because if you want to read the Bible, you want to know about it to help you understand it. And so, I started asking all those questions. And throughout studying and doing the minimal facts, I also learned these other things about the Bible. And actually, it was Dan who helped put the book together. He didn't know it at the time.

DAN:

That's why I'm plugging it. [Laughter]

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BEN:

Yeah. He didn't know I was going to say this.

RON:

Getting commission.

BEN:

But he invited Dr. Habermas and I to go speak at an event in Florida. I was just on Habermas' coattails. For some reason, I got asked to go and I was like, yes, all right. And then I got home. What am I going to talk about? Because everything I know about the resurrection, Habermas has taught me. And if he's talking, you don't want to hear me talk about it.

So, I was trying to think of something that would be fruitful in how I was when I was in Florida. So, I started putting together these different angles and levels at which the New Testament is reliable. And when you get into them, you've got the textual evidence shows that the words we have now are what were written. We've got good reasons to believe that.

The genre, the dating, the authorship, New Testament creeds and criteria, archaeology, undesigned coincidences, non-Christian sources, non-Christian non-New Testament sources, the development of the canon itself, and spiritual and life transformations. Those are 12 arguments. I'm very happy I can remember all of them.

DAN:

Oh, wait a minute, you've got one more. There's baker's dozen.

BEN:

Because in case all of those are bad, maybe I just missed on all those, you still have the minimal facts argument, and you have the Gospel: Jesus' deity, death, and resurrection.

DAN:

Yeah, and this is so important, so important, because if you're going to base your life and if this is the only physical life that you're going to have, as people believe and most people believe,

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and as you approach something like Christianity, which is so set upon these days as stupid, you're ignorant. You're not being intellectual. We all know those are completely false things. If you're going to base your life on a source document, that source document better be one thing, and that is true.

And so, what I think your book presents is 13 arguments that show people this is true. And if it's true, kind of like C.S. Lewis said, if Christianity is not true, it's of no importance. If it is true, it is of utmost importance. There is nothing more important. And I think your book brings out to people in a fresh new perspective that this source document that we have, that we're basing our entire lives on here, physical lives here, is true. And that's critical.

BEN:

And if you think about it, it's the most influential book in Western society ever. So, even non-Christians should go, okay, well, let me see what these guys are doing. Why do they put so much value on it? What's going on here with this book? Because it has been so transformative for the West.

That's why I include that section on spiritual and life transformation, because it is culture changing, it is dramatically impactful. And then the other. I know Habermas has his thousand-page volumes coming out. This book is two. No, I'm just kidding. It's only 150 pages.

So, you know, 10 pages to just introduce you to those things. Because so many of us just hear on social media, funnily enough, that, oh, it's just this or it's old, it's just that. And you know, it's so much more. And when we start to look at what is it authentically, we can see it's trustworthy.

RON:

And it's so helpful for doubters too, once we teach them how to calm their emotional side and we start looking into data again, a lot of them do have this question because of Bart Ehrman's influence. And what is so good about Ben's book is the way it's been systematized. Someone asked him yesterday, what's new?

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Well, there's not a whole lot of new information there, but the way it is put together, it is so accessible. I've told everyone, maybe I'm a little precious, but it is my favorite new book of the year. It's really, really good. Very helpful.

DAN:

I think you're going to have a lot of comments from people affected by that book by this time next year. I'm not saying it's got to be a year. We can get together in six months or something like that, but any last plug you'd like to make for CORE Apologetics or anything you want to add?

BEN:

Well, I'm still thinking on New Testament reliability, and I'm just thinking of the value of reading it because having that...

I remember I tried to read my Bible so many times, and because I didn't understand it, I struggled, and I wrestled. And maybe those were my doubts, you could say. But we talk about the Center for Biblical Engagement. They've got a study of 400,000 people that talk about the benefits of just having read your Bible four times a week.

And so, that's one of the things that not just the book, but CORE is trying to encourage, because doubters, when they're starting to do that, Ron has a CORE journal he made. You can download it free on our website, but it's designed to get people engaging into daily reading of Scripture because your life will be transformed through the reading of the Word.

So, we want to encourage people to do that and then equip them to better and more deeply understand it and to live it out. And when they're living their lives in such a way, then people are bound to ask them, why are you doing that? Why are you living your life this way? I actually just was at a business, a CEO summit at Liberty University and they had a business as ministry session.

And one of the speakers mentioned that he was asked that very question, why are you different? Because he wasn't taking bribes. He was in a different country, and they frequently take bribes. And he was like, we don't do that. And he's like, well, why not?

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Well, let's get coffee and I'll talk to you about it. So, those things make dramatic impacts in our heads, and our hearts, and our hands kind of like you were getting at before.

RON:

And thank you for letting us be on to share our passion and what the Lord's doing in our hearts, and minds, and what He's really putting together for us to engage for the sake of the kingdom. And we appreciate that, and we definitely desire your prayers and support as we go forward.

DAN:

Thank you both for coming on at CrossExamined. Of course, it's a very different ministry than most, as I think everybody knows. We want to promote, and assist, and put the word out for all of our apologetic friends. And CORE Apologetics is an absolute critical ministry, as I think you've seen today. Thanks for joining us, gents.

RON & BEN:

Thank you.

DAN:

See you again soon.

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