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# CASE-MAKERS COURSE

SESSION 30

COMMUNICATING THE  
EVIDENCE AND MAKING  
A CLOSING ARGUMENT

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# COMPLETE THE READ, WATCH, AND WRITE SECTIONS TO EARN THE CERTIFICATE



## READ

Study These Segments from J. Warner's Book and Answer the Questions:

*Forensic Faith: A Homicide Detective Makes the Case for a More Reasonable, Evidential Christian Faith* (Pages 182-204)

Now is *not* the time to retreat. Instead, it's the best time ever to gather " \_\_\_\_\_ " from the vocal opposition so you can be prepared. Read the papers, magazines, and websites that represent non-Christian views. Listen to what they're saying so you can anticipate the \_\_\_\_\_ and act preemptively. (Page 186)

Ask two important questions when someone makes a claim about Christianity or God: (1) \_\_\_\_\_ and (2) \_\_\_\_\_ These two simple questions will help you clarify what people believe and why they believe it. \_\_\_\_\_ carefully for the attributes of truth when people respond to these two questions. Truth isn't all that hard to recognize, and false ideas are even easier to identify. (Page 187)

If we want to know what our friends or family members are going to say in advance of our discussions, we had better take the time to \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ our hearers and \_\_\_\_\_ ourselves to answer each and every possible response they might offer. (Page 188)

The best evangelists I know are \_\_\_\_\_. They are passionate and unafraid, and they never forget to \_\_\_\_\_ someone if they are ready to change their mind and become a follower of Christ. (Page 195)

Let's get busy *together* as the church. Now more than ever, it's time for us to accept our duty as case makers and start \_\_\_\_\_. It's time to investigate the case for Christianity and communicate it convincingly to others. It's time for all of us to become \_\_\_\_\_. Now more than ever, we need to embrace a *forensic faith*. (Page 204)



## WATCH

Review This Video from the Case Maker's Course and Answer the Questions:

Case Making Course Session 30 (Investigating Christian Case-Making) - Communicating the Evidence and Making a Closing Argument

Good Case-Makers are Self-Effacing and Gracious

The jury are only going to see the \_\_\_\_\_ once. But they are going to be watching \_\_\_\_\_ for weeks.

We don't want the jury to make the decision based on \_\_\_\_\_; we want them to make a decision based on what they think about the \_\_\_\_\_.

## Good Case-Makers are Accessible

When we start to talk about the gospel to others, just make sure that every sentence you are about to use is really \_\_\_\_\_ to a world that may not be churched.

## Close Confidently

If Christianity is the “\_\_\_\_\_” of worldviews, why do we sound like Chihuahuas?

## Offer a Rebuttal (with Gentleness and Respect)

Be harsh with bad \_\_\_\_\_. Be kind to \_\_\_\_\_ who believe bad ideas.

## Place the Case in the Hands of the Jury Confidently

You don't have to hit a home run to be effective in the game, our duty is simply to step up and \_\_\_\_\_.

If our church had a yard full of \_\_\_\_\_, we wouldn't have a wolf problem in the church.



## WRITE

Answer the Prompt Briefly to Master the Material:

What work do you still need to do in preparation of becoming a good Christian case-maker and sheepdog?

