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"What has been will be again, what has been done will be done again; there is nothing new under the sun."

— Ecclesiastes 1:9 (N/V)



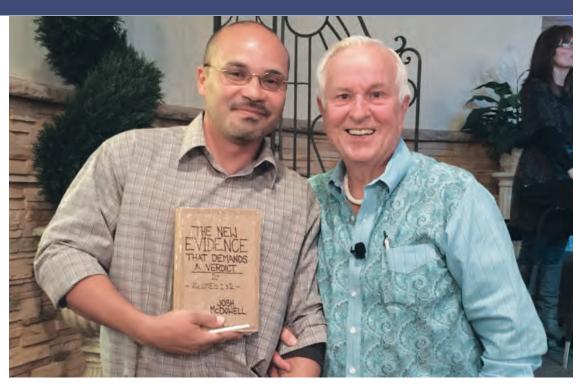
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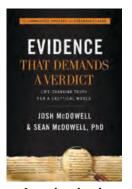
# Why a brand-new *Evidence That Demands a Verdict*? And why now?

You've probably heard the sayings, "Everything old is new again" and "There's nothing new under the sun." They're simple phrases that remind us: The thing you just "discovered" — it's been around for ages!

The truth of God's Word is not new.

Scripture tells us, "In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. He was in the beginning with God" (John 1:1–2 NASB).

Yet, every day, men, women and children all around the world are "discovering" the truth of His Word as they find



An updated and revised edition to reach a new generation themselves faced with the question: Who do I believe Jesus is?

# Reaching the next generation with the truth of God's Word

You see, the facts about Jesus never change — but His critics do.

That's why we're pleased to announce a brand-new edition of Evidence That Demands a Verdict: Life-Changing Truth for a Skeptical World

— updated and expanded for a new generation facing new challenges to the Christian faith.

#### SEE INSIDE . . .

to find out how your gifts of truth-filled resources like *Evidence That Demands a Verdict* are helping people discover new life in Christ. >>>>

## Evidence That Demands a Verdict

**THEN (1972)** . . . When Evidence That Demands a Verdict was first published in 1972, there was nothing else like it available. Nothing with such extensive documentation. Nothing of this sheer volume. It was revolutionary! In a world before the internet, it became the go-to book for documentation on the truth of Christianity.

"I wrote the original Evidence
That Demands a Verdict
because I saw that Christian
readers needed answers to
defend their faith against
the harshest critics and
skeptics."

— Josh McDowell

And NOW (2017) . . . "For over 40 years, *Evidence That Demands a Verdict* has been a trusted resource for believers young and old and has encouraged and strengthened the faith of millions," says Sean McDowell, Ph.D.

"I'm honored to have partnered with my dad on this new edition, Evidence That Demands a Verdict: Life-Changing Truth

for a Skeptical World. And I'm eager to see how it will impact the faith and evangelism of a new generation."

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— Sean McDowell

Josh McDowell with his son, Sean McDowell

# High praises for this new *Evidence* . . .

"When I was a college student full of questions about the authenticity of my faith, I used *Evidence That Demands a Verdict* as my go-to reference book. I'm grateful to Josh for this updated release for my two sons."

— Jim Daly, President Focus on the Family

"In 1972, shortly after the accident in which I became paralyzed, I picked up a book that helped solidify my belief in God and faith in Christ. Still struggling to accept my wheelchair, I needed rock-solid evidence that there was a personal God who genuinely cared about my plight. Evidence That Demands a Verdict was that remarkable book, and I'm so happy that this timeless classic is now updated and being released to a whole new generation of readers! Can't recommend it enough!"

— Joni Eareckson Tada, Founder/CEO Joni and Friends International Disability Center "Here's a treasure trove of apologetic gems! This is an indispensable book that all Christians should keep within reach. Countless people benefitted from the original version, but this updated and expanded edition makes this volume even more valuable and timely. Thank you, Josh and Sean — this classic resource has my very highest recommendation!"

— Lee Strobel, best-selling author of The Case for Christ and In Defense of Jesus

# Life-change that YOU helped make possible through your support!

### **Trespassing for the Lord**

"In my village there is NO witness for Christ except for one little church. There I discovered a copy of *New Evidence That Demands a Verdict*, but they wouldn't let me take it out and the church was almost always closed. So for over a year, I would sneak into the church and by the light of one small candle, I hand-copied the entire book! Here is one page for you."

— Kahlil, a student in the Middle East





### Jin's most valuable possession

"I was a senior at seminary the first year of the Book Gifting." [Since 2012, Josh McDowell's faithful partners have made it possible to gift graduating seminary students in East Asia with an 8-book personal library of Christ-centered books.] "My life has been greatly impacted by this one book specifically: New Evidence That

Demands a Verdict. It is my most precious possession and I use it weekly as a reference in my sermon preparation."

— Jin, recent seminary graduate

## The prodigal pastor

"Thirty-five years ago, I walked away from the will of God and sold my pastoral library. Now in my senior years, God has taken me off the shelf to use again. Thanks be to my loving Heavenly Father. There were only two books that I wanted again: Evidence That Demands a Verdict and More Evidence That Demands a Verdict."

— Gregory, a pastor in the U.S.A.



**Our world is in desperate need of truth!** Find out how you can help provide Christ-centered resources *like Evidence That Demands a Verdict* to help reach truth seekers, strengthen believers, multiply disciples and build faith worldwide! **SEE BACK** >>>

## From Josh

Reaching a new generation with the truth of God's Word



Our world's perception of truth is changing. The internet has ushered in the greatest era of intellectual and

spiritual skepticism. And technology has created a "front door" to our minds, giving every ideology, worldview and opinion equal access — especially among our youth.

This "information overload" is a force to be reckoned with — and it's getting more and more powerful every day. Now more than ever before, we must help people to discover the validity of scripture — and the universal truth that is found only in God's Word.

That's why sound, Christ-centered resources like *Evidence That Demands a Verdict* are more important than ever! And it's why we're releasing this new, updated version for a new generation . . .

Evidence That Demands a
Verdict: Life-Changing Truth for
a Skeptical World, which I wrote
together with my son Sean, is a fully
updated and expanded edition that
addresses the latest challenges to
the Christian faith with brand-new
research.

Thank you for your faithful partnership that makes life-changing resources like this possible.

Until the whole world hears,

# You can help even more men and women discover and share the truth!

Every dollar you send will be used to reach seekers and strengthen believers worldwide through Christcentered resources like our brand-new edition of Evidence That Demands a Verdict!

Every year, we get more requests for resources than we can possibly fulfill.

That means seekers all around the world who are desperate for the truth don't have the means to discover Jesus. And believers, seminary students, ministry leaders, pastors and more are unable to deepen their understanding of Him.

Your gift today will be put to use right away for translation and printing of this <u>updated version</u> of *Evidence That Demands a Verdict*.



Your gift will help give truth to seekers and believers worldwide!

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