



Session 11 - The TALL acronym: Reasons to reject other worldviews.

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1. **The TALL acronym - Reasons to _____ other worldviews.**
 - a. Jesus was adamant that he alone was the way, the truth, and the life (Jn. 14:6).
 - b. Truth is always exclusive; two plus two always equals _____.
 - c. The TALL _____ describes why other religious perspectives are lacking.
 - d. Be _____ as you use these arguments.
 - e. Other _____ perspectives fall short because of their theological incoherence, ambiguous truth claims, lack of evidence, and lack of power to change lives.
2. **T - Theological _____.**
 - a. The _____ is coherent.
 - b. Buddhism and Hinduism believe in reincarnation, which assumes an infinite regress, which is a _____ fallacy.
 - c. _____ claims that it is wrong to kill (Quran 5:32) yet commands adherents to kill non-Muslims (Quran 8:12, 9:5, 9:29).
 - d. Atheism argues for God's non-existence, which is an _____ negation, a logical fallacy.
3. **A - _____ truth claims.**
 - a. Buddhism insists that _____ is the root of all suffering yet insists that one must desire to follow the eight fold path.
 - b. Islam claims _____ was created from nothing (Sura 19:67), from dust (Sura 30:20), from clay (Sura 15:26), from water (Sura



25:54), from a blood clot (Sura 96:1-2), and from sperm (Sura 40:67).

- c. _____ taught polygamy was good, now they teach it is not.
 - d. Atheism claims to be _____ but science could never disprove the supernatural.
4. **L - Lack of _____ requiring a "leap of faith."**
- a. Most religions talk about _____ that isn't accurate, scientific _____ that have been proven false, and _____ predictions that have not come true.
 - b. Atheism is based on an incorrect assumption that there is not _____ for God's existence; atheists rarely offer evidence for God's non-existence.
5. **L - Lack of _____ to change lives.**
- a. There are only two world _____: the one that says you can get to God on your own by trying harder and the one that says you can't and you need a Savior.
 - b. Millions of people have been transformed by _____!
6. **Summary:** Only bring up the TALL arguments if you absolutely have to. Try to stay positive by focusing on the evidence for your faith in Jesus rather than refuting others. Only use the TALL arguments to respectfully answer specific questions if needed.

Review the BEST FACTS acronym and discuss this session and questions:

- 1. Why should we emphasize the evidence for Christianity more than refuting other faiths?
- 2. How can you respect people of other faiths when talking through these issues with them?
- 3. How did today's session encourage you in your faith?

Answers: reject, four, acronym, respectful, religious, incoherence, Bible, logical, Islam, absolute, Ambiguous, desire, man, Mormonism, scientific, history, statements, prophetic, evidence, power, religions, and Jesus.