

S. Ross Hickling

Curriculum Vitae

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EDUCATION

North-West University, South Africa-Potchefstroom Campus Ph.D. in Missiology (Christian Apologetics)	2017
Biola University, La Mirada, California M.A. in Christian Apologetics Highest Honors	2014
Liberty Baptist Theological Seminary, Lynchburg, Virginia M.A. Religion Graduate with High Distinction	2010
Liberty University, Lynchburg, Virginia B.S. Religion Summa Cum Laude	2007
Saint Leo University Associate of Arts	2004

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Graduate Level: Carolina Graduate School of Divinity- Introduction to Christian apologetics from a “legal/judicial apologetics” perspective	2016
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PUBLICATIONS

- Articles: Numerous blog articles located on the “Shield Your Faith” Internet website: <http://shieldyourfaith.org/blog>

CONFERENCES/SEMINARS

Mount Vernon Baptist Church/Ratio Christi, Engage Conference	2017
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Presentations at Engage Conference (Boone, NC):

Evidence for the New Testament: An examination and application of the *Federal Rules of Evidence* and federal pattern jury instructions to the New Testament Scriptures.

Contradictory Gospels?- An Assessment of the Evidence: An evidentiary examination of a prominent skeptic's claim that the resurrection accounts contradict each other.

Apologetics Conference: "The Momentum of Christian Thinking"
Manila, Philippines- Ratio Christi Apologetics-Plenary/Breakout Speaker 2016

Presentations at Manila Conference:

Contradictory Resurrection Narratives?: A study of the Gospels from a "juridical apologetics" perspective. Are the resurrection narratives contradictory in nature? Do accepted principles of evidence support this conclusion?

Darwin's Dangerous Idea- An overview of the life and thought of Darwin, his naturalistic perspective, and the dangerous outcomes from his naturalistic philosophy.

Don't Be Fooled: Know Good Evidence for Yourself- An overview of accepted principles of evidence from the criminal justice system and applying these principles to the ministry, death, and resurrection of Jesus Christ.

Debunking "Hallucinating Disciples"- An explanation of the theory that the disciples hallucinated and an analysis of this view from an evidentiary or "juridical apologetics" perspective.

The Resurrection of Jesus Christ from Pagan Myths?- An overview of this skeptical perspective and an evidentiary analysis (from a "juridical apologetics" viewpoint)

Ratio Christi (RC) Symposium- The Reason of Christ: Bridging, Church, College, and Culture: 2017

- Ratio Christi regional directors training module
- Ratio Christi national staff and chapter director training module

Presentations to Conferences of Law Enforcement Organizations/Groups (FBI NA Alumni, Triad Area Association of Chiefs of Police, and the NC Sheriff's Association) 2010-2013

Presentation made: Presentations made to these organizations during this time frame were related to the U.S. Marshals Service Sex Offender Program.

ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENTS

- Summa Cum Laude-Liberty University 2007
- Graduate With High Distinction- Liberty Baptist Theological Seminary 2010
- Highest Honors- Biola University 2014

WORK EXPERIENCE

National Staff Member/Regional Director NC and SC/Chapter Director for UNCG chapter, Ratio Christi 2015-present

Along with my ministry "Shield Your Faith," I have functioned at different times in the aforementioned capacities for Ratio Christi since 2015.

Adjunct Professor of Theology, Carolina Graduate School of Divinity 2016

I formulated/taught "Introduction to Christian Apologetics" at C.G.S.D. before its closure in June of 2016

Founder, "Shield Your Faith" 2014-present

A ministry founded to encourage Christians and non-Christians alike as to the great reasons for faith in Jesus Christ (www.shieldyourfaith.org).

Deputy U.S. Marshal/Senior Inspector- U.S. Marshals Service (ret.) 1993-2014

Worked in many roles fulfilling the mission of the U.S. Marshals Service to include:

- Sex Offender Investigations Coordinator
- National Critical Incident Response Team Leader (Assistant)
- On Scene Critical Incident Team Leader
- High Threat Trial Supervisor
- Fugitive/Sex Offender Operation Supervisor
- Fugitive Investigator/Coordinator
- Protective Investigations Coordinator

Police Officer/Detective- Portsmouth, Virginia Police Department 1988-1993

- Uniformed Police Officer
- Narcotics/Vice Detective
- Tactical Response Team Member (SWAT, Street Narcotics, High Risk Stakeouts, Dive Team)

AWARDS

- Medal of Honor 1989

- The Honor Graduate, Federal Law Enforcement Training Center
Criminal Investigator Class 1993
- Five U.S. Marshals Service Directors Awards for Distinguished Group
(2002, 2007, 2010, 2012x2)
- Certificate of Appreciation-Director of the U.S. Marshals "Operation
TAPS" 1997
- Certificate of Appreciation, New York Police Department
(Detective Endowment Association) 2000
- Certificate of Appreciation, Outstanding Contributions- DEA 2008
- Certificate of Appreciation, U.S. Attorneys Office 2008
- Newport News Police Department Group Award- Fugitive Task Force 2009
- Law Enforcement Public Service Award, U.S. Attorneys Office 2009
- Certificate of Appreciation, U.S. Attorneys Office 2014

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

- U.S. Marshals Service Association
- Evangelical Philosophical Society