

# No Blind Faith Ministries

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*No Blind Faith Ministries is an apologetics and theology ministry. The following is a list of talks that are available on short notice. Other talks and topics can be developed for your specific needs. Please contact us at [speaking@NoBlindFaith.com](mailto:speaking@NoBlindFaith.com) if you wish to schedule Neil Mammen to speak at your church, retreat, school, or college.*

Many of these talks are available on line in both text and audio formats for download at [www.NoBlindFaith.com](http://www.NoBlindFaith.com)

## List of Talks and Topics (Adult, College and High School Versions)

### Apologetics

1. How to prove Abortion is ethically wrong **without** using the Bible or Religion. (Ideally two sessions of 45 mins or 1 of 90 mins, but there is a 50 min version as well)
2. What is Cloning and Stem Cell Research. Myths the Media is telling you. Ethical considerations (60 mins)
3. Detecting and Countering Suicide (Self Refuting) Statements when you talk to nonbelievers.
4. What if Jesus had never been born? Is Christianity and Religion the cause of more atrocities in History than anything else?
5. Rational Faith: What a concept. Blind Faith is unbiblical. The difference between Christianity and all other religions. The different between rational faith and blind faith.
6. How to historically, logically and rationally prove that Jesus really existed; died and rose from the dead with a case that would stand up in a court of law.
7. How to debate an Atheist – How to prove that it is more rational to believe that God exists: Who is Agent X (How to scientifically and logically prove that there is a Freewill Multidimensional Being outside of time and space who can create a Universe.)
8. How to debate an Atheist -Why doesn't God just reveal himself to everyone and be done with it?
9. God and Suffering: How to logically and rationally answer the question of: How there can be a God when there is so much evil and suffering in the world.
10. How can a Good God send someone to Hell forever?
11. The Accuracy of the New Testament. How to prove to someone that the New Testament documents are within a 99.8% accuracy of what was written by the original apostles and how the 0.2% unknowns are not theological issues.
12. World Religions: Hinduism
13. World Religions: Islam
14. World Religions: Reincarnation
15. World Religions: Sikhism and Jainism
16. World Religions: Mormonism

17. World Religions: Buddhism
18. World Religions: A review of cults
19. World Religions: A review of Christian Denominations
20. Jericho: The rocks cry out: A Historical and Archaeological study showing the Accuracy of the Old Testament account of Jericho.
21. Absolute Morality and The Culture:
  - How to respond to common questions about Morality.
  - How to answer the following statements about the Law and Morality
    - a. You have no right to impose your moral values on me.
    - b. You can't legislate Morality
    - c. There is no absolute Morality
    - d. Laws don't change hearts
22. How to respond to Rabbi Kushner and his letter about 911 titled "Where was God when the Towers fell?"
23. How to answer College Philosophical questions:
  - a. Can God create a stone so big that he cannot move it?
  - b. Can the supernatural happen? (How to logically prove the supernatural is not impossible, just improbable).
24. What is the Just War doctrine? Can Christians approve of their nation ever going to war?
25. How can Christians support the death Penalty when God said we are to forgive. The law (Personal law vs. Governmental Law).
26. How to answer the charge that there are two Creation stories in Genesis.
27. Evolution: You have to have faith to believe in Evolution.
28. Why God said Divorce was bad: A statistical study of the huge social consequences of Divorce.

### **Politics:**

29. Jesus was Involved in Politics: Why aren't You, Why isn't your Church? – Is there a Biblical justification for involvement in Politics? Is there a Biblical requirement? Examples from the Bible, the early Church Fathers, and from the US Founding fathers. The consequences of not being involved.
30. Politics for a **Secular Audience**: Why even Atheists should want Christian morals in their government.
31. Various topics from any of the chapters of the Book "Jesus Is Involved In Politics!" (available at Amazon.com and [www.JesusIsInvolvedInPolitics.com](http://www.JesusIsInvolvedInPolitics.com)).

### **Theology & Ministry**

34. Decision Making and the Will of God (5 week series)
35. Praise: What is the Chief purpose of Man? Why it is OK and in fact logically required for God to Glorify Himself but not for us to do so: isn't that vain?
36. Taking the Bible out of Context (how NOT to).
37. The Claims of Christ: How to refute the common misconceptions about Christ -
  - a. Jesus NEVER claimed to be God

- b. You don't need to pay much attention to this "born again" nonsense
  - c. And hell is not a real place and a loving God would NEVER send anyone there.
  - d. Jesus only came to teach love and never said anything about sending people to hell if they didn't believe in him.
  - e. It's wrong to tell someone their religion is wrong and try to make them believe in Jesus.
  - f. Christians shouldn't go around telling everyone they are the ONLY way. i.e. Jesus never said we must preach the Gospel to everyone
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38. How to explain logically and rationally to an unbeliever Why Christ had to die and Why God must punish Sin (while being theologically accurate).
  39. A lighthearted discussion: Who is in charge of Hell? Who did Christ die to save us from? Who is the Grim Reaper? And other common misconceptions.
  40. Why we need to learn Theology and not *only* learn practical applications.
  41. I Will Build My Church (Building the Church/Growth Engines and Encouraging the layperson to be in a Ministry)
  42. A short History of the Jewish People from Adam to the birth of Christ, Assyria, Babylon & Persia (in preparation for watching the movie "The Passion").

### **Encouragement**

43. Are you afraid to Die?
44. Life Is Tough & Then You Die
45. Who Will You Be In 10 Years? (How do you respond to Pain in your life?)
46. Encouragers & Discouragers: which one are you
47. Loneliness and Belonging.

### **Singles**

48. Dating and Social Success for Men (or "Men: How to never get turned down for a date").

## **List of Talks (Junior High Versions)**

These are Junior Versions of the above talks, while many of these talks may seem to be too "high brow" for Junior High, they actually aren't and the Jr Highers actually are motivated by them and are stimulated to engage. These talks are broken down into bite sized chunks and are much more interactive than the adult versions. Most of these talks were refined through almost 8 years of Junior High ministry.

### **Apologetics**

1. How to prove Abortion is ethically wrong **without** using the Bible or Religion. (6 sessions) (Jr Highers have gone home and converted their parents with this one)
2. What if Jesus had never been born? Is Christianity and Religion the cause of more atrocities in History than anything else?

3. Rational Faith: What a concept. The difference between Christianity and all other religions. The different between rational faith and blind faith.
4. How to historically, logically and rationally prove that Jesus really existed; died and rose from the dead. (4 sessions)
5. How to debate an Atheist - Who is Agent X (How to scientifically and logically prove that there is a Freewill Multidimensional Being outside of time and space who can create a Universe.) (Yes Junior Highers eat this up)
6. How to debate an Atheist -Why doesn't God just reveal himself to everyone and be done with it?
7. The Accuracy of the New Testament. How to prove to someone that the New Testament documents are within a 98.6% accuracy of what was written by the original apostles and how the 1.4% unknowns are not theological issues.
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18. A lighthearted discussion: Who is in charge of Hell? Who did Christ die to save us from? Who is the Grim Reaper? And other common misconceptions.
19. A short History of the Jewish People from Adam to the birth of Christ, Assyria, Babylon & Persia (in preparation for watching the Passion).

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20. Are you afraid to Die?

## References

Pastoral references for Neil Mammen are available at: [www.NoBlindFaith.com](http://www.NoBlindFaith.com)

## Bio and Background

Neil Mammen is an engineer during the day, designing boards and FPGAs and a lay preacher and apologist at night; he has a BSEE in Computer and Electrical Engineering and an MSEE in Solid State Physics and Computer Engineering with a minor in Mathematics. He's managed to manipulate himself into being a founder of 4 startup companies in the Bay Area and 2 companies internationally. Some that actually survived the dot com bomb, but unfortunately he can't retire just yet. He has about 20 issued and pending patents in areas varying from Networking and Packet Processing to Highway Alert Systems.

In his free time, Neil travels and speaks around the US teaching a Rational Defense of the Christian Faith. The emphasis of his latest teaching is titled: Losing My Religion: Why blind faith is unbiblical and the same as superstition.

Neil is on the board of directors of the Values Advocacy Council in San Jose ([www.vac.org](http://www.vac.org)) and has spoken on engagements for the Family Research Council [www.frc.org](http://www.frc.org).

He is the father of the most beautiful baby girl in the world and the husband of the loveliest woman in the world. Anna, Neil and Mary-Katherine live in San Jose.

Neil is currently working on two books.

Gödel, Einstein and Darwin: How 4 Dimensional Questions cannot be answered by 4 Dimensional Answers.

And Jesus *was* involved in Politics: Why aren't you? Why isn't your Church?

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