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**SAN JOSE, CALIFORNIA, NOVEMBER 8 & 9, 2013**

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## SCHEDULE

### FRIDAY

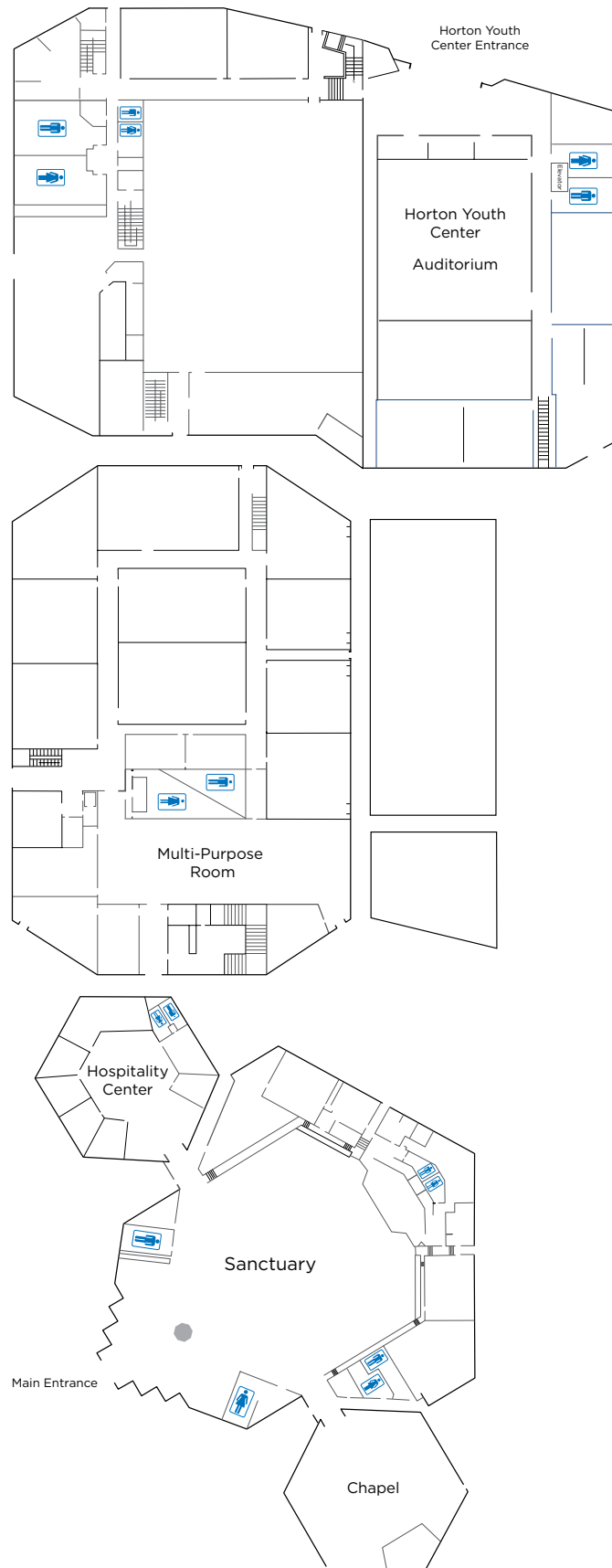
5:30 – 7:00 PM	Dinner for Biola Alumni, Parents and Friends
6:30 PM	Registration Opens
7:30 – 8:30 PM	Kickoff Lectures from Conference Speakers
8:30 – 8:45 PM	Break
8:45 – 9:45 PM	<b>CLAY JONES:</b> Why God Allows Evil

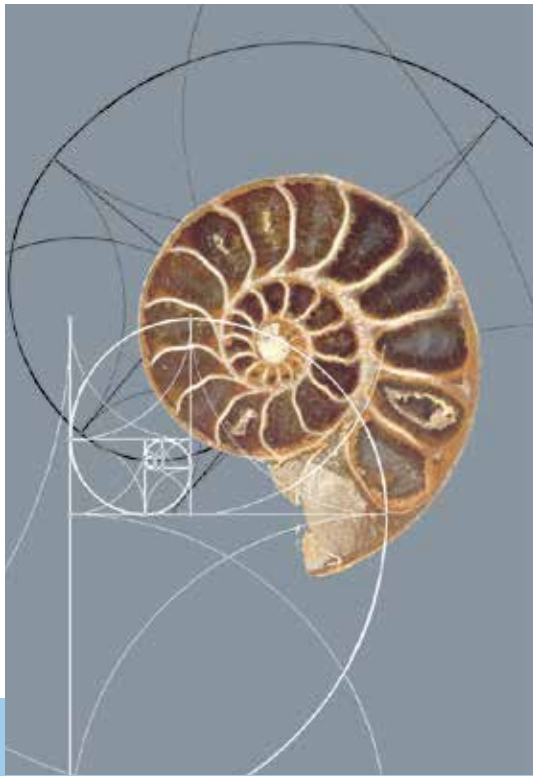
### SATURDAY

8:00 AM	Registration Opens
8:25 – 9:15 AM	<b>CRAIG HAZEN:</b> Christianity and the Challenge of World Religions
9:15 – 9:30 AM	Break
9:30 – 10:15 AM	<b>NEIL MAMMEN:</b> Arguments for the Existence of God
10:15 – 10:25 AM	Break
10:25 – 11:10 AM	Five parallel sessions from which to choose:  <b>CLAY JONES:</b> The Crusades, Slavery, and the Oppression of Women <i>(Multipurpose Room)</i>  <b>GREG KOUKL:</b> Responding to Relativism <i>(Sanctuary)</i>  <b>NEIL MAMMEN:</b> The Biblical Response to Cloning, Stem Cells, and Other Problems of Modern Biology <i>(Horton Youth Center)</i>  <b>CRAIG HAZEN:</b> The Reliability of the Scripture <i>(Chapel)</i>  <b>BARRY COREY:</b> Meet and Greet with for Prospective Students and Parents
11:10 – 11:25 AM	Break
11:25 AM – 12:10 PM	<b>GREG KOUKL:</b> Tactics for Defending the Faith
12:10 – 12:20 PM	Break
12:20 – 1:10 PM	<b>LEE STROBEL:</b> Case for Christ — the Resurrection

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### DR. BARRY COREY

Dr. Barry H. Corey became Biola University's eighth president in

2007 and has led the university into its second century with the launching of an ambitious 10-year University Plan (2012-2022), including the largest comprehensive fundraising campaign in school history. A Fulbright Scholar, he received his B.A. in English and biblical studies from Evangel University, his M.A. in American Studies with a concentration in literature and religious history from Boston College's Graduate School of Arts and Sciences, and his Ph.D. from Boston College in curriculum, instruction and administration.



### DR. CRAIG HAZEN

Craig J. Hazen is a Professor of Comparative Religion and Christian

Apologetics at Biola University and Director of the Christian Apologetics Program. He is the editor of the philosophy journal, *Philosophia Christi*. He has authored or contributed to a range of scholarly works including *To Everyone an Answer*, *Apologetics Study Bible*, and the break-out new novel, *Five Sacred Crossings*. Hazen holds a Ph.D. in Religious Studies, a degree in Biological Sciences, and has studied International Human Rights in Strasbourg, France. At Biola he was named the winner of the Fischer Award for Faculty Excellence, the highest faculty honor. Prof. Hazen has lectured all over North America and Europe on the evidence for the Resurrection, religion and science, and Christianity among world religions.



### DR. CLAY JONES

Clay is Associate Professor of Christian Apologetics at Biola

University. He holds a D.Min from Trinity Evangelical Divinity School as well as an M.Div and a B.A. in Philosophy. He is the former host of Contend for Truth, a nationally syndicated call-in talk radio program. Dr. Jones was the executive director of Simon Greenleaf University (now Trinity Law School). He has been on the pastoral staff of two large churches and has authored apologetics software as well as encyclopedia and journal articles. Dr. Jones is currently writing a book titled *Why God Allows Evil* and speaks widely on that subject.



### MR. GREG KOUKL

Greg Koukl is the founder and president of Stand to Reason ([www.str.org](http://www.str.org)).

Greg's teaching has been featured on Focus on the Family radio, and he's debated Deepak Chopra. Greg is author of *Tactics: A Gameplan to Discuss Your Christian Convictions*, and co-author of *Relativism: Feet Firmly Planted in Mid-Air*. Greg has spoken on more than 55 campuses in the U.S. and abroad. Greg received his M.A. in Religion and Ethics at Talbot School of Theology and his M.A. in Christian Apologetics from Simon Greenleaf University. He is an adjunct professor in Christian Apologetics at Biola University. He hosts his own radio talk show advocating clear-thinking Christianity and defending the Christian worldview.



### NEIL MAMMEN

Neil holds BSEE & MSEE degrees in Electrical Engineering, Computer

Engineering and Solid State Physics, He is an Engineering Scientist during the day and an apologist at night with NoBlindFaith.com. As an engineer, he spends his time designing video and networking chips and systems. Neil has co-founded four startup companies in Silicon Valley. In his free time, Neil speaks to politicians and pastors on the importance of the involvement of the church in politics. In 2014, he will be traveling through the state of Kansas with the Governor of Kansas teaching the Judeo-Christian basis for our constitutional principles from his book *Jesus Is Involved In Politics! Why Aren't You? Why isn't Your Church?* Neil's daily "Jesus and Politics" one minute Broadcast can be heard on 160 stations around the U.S.



### LEE STROBEL

Lee Strobel is a former award winning legal editor turned "one of the

evangelical community's most popular apologists" (Washington Post). Strobel was an atheist until he conducted a two-year investigation into the evidence for Christianity and became a Christian, going onto author several Gold Medallion winning books including "The Case for Faith," "The Case for Christ" and "The Case for a Creator." Strobel received his Bachelor's degree from the University of Missouri and a Master's degree from Yale. You can read more at [www.leestrobel.com](http://www.leestrobel.com)



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## WHY GOD ALLOWS EVIL

Clay Jones

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## CHRISTIANITY AND THE CHALLENGE OF WORLD RELIGIONS

Craig Hazen

### 1. Christianity is \_\_\_\_\_ .

1Cor 15:12-19

Upon careful investigation, the life, death and Resurrection of Jesus is found to be one of the best attested fact of ancient history.

### 2. In Christianity, salvation is a \_\_\_\_\_ .

Ephesians 2:8-9

For by grace you have been saved through faith; and that not of yourselves, it is the gift of God; not the result of works, that no one should boast. (Ephesians 2:8-9)

### 3. With Christianity you get an amazing \_\_\_\_\_ .

Psalms 119:159-160, Romans 1:20, Ps 19:1-4

The picture that Christian teaching paints of the world actually matches the way the world really is!

“I believe in Christianity as I believe that the sun has risen: not only because I see it, but because by it I see everything else.” — C.S. Lewis

### 4. Christianity has \_\_\_\_\_ at the center.

John 1:1-5, John 1:14

And the Word became flesh, and dwelt among us, and we beheld His glory, glory as of the only begotten from the Father, full of grace and truth. (John 1:14)

For further study:

Hazen, *Five Sacred Crossings: A Novel* (Contend Publishing Group, 2012)

Hazen, Bickel, Jantz, *World Religions and Cults 101* (Harvest House, 2004)

Hazen, *The Challenge of World Religions* (Biola University Audio CD)

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## ARGUMENTS FOR THE EXISTENCE OF GOD

Neil Mammen

### POINT I: The Universe is N\_\_\_\_\_ E\_\_\_\_\_

Everything which has a beginning has a C\_\_\_\_\_. Anything that existed forever needs N\_\_\_\_  
C\_\_\_\_\_.

Agent X is the \_\_\_\_\_ of the Universe. Our job is to find out \_\_\_\_\_ Agent X.

Conclusion 1. Agent X is \_\_\_\_\_ enough to create a Universe

Conclusion 2. Agent X exists forever without \_\_\_\_\_

If the first cause is something like a photo or a quantum particle we have 2 options:

**A.** It will make \_\_\_\_\_ universe then stop. Or **B.** It will make universes on a \_\_\_\_\_ basis.

Why? Because it's M\_\_\_\_\_

If **A** above: How old should the Universe be? \_\_\_\_\_. But the Universe is only \_\_\_\_\_ years old.

If **B** above: How many universes should there be? \_\_\_\_\_. But I can't see, touch, taste, smell, hear, feel etc. these universes. Wasn't this the objection to the existence of \_\_\_\_\_?

Conclusion 3. Agent X is a N\_\_\_\_\_ M\_\_\_\_\_ agent. It has a F\_\_\_\_\_ W\_\_\_\_\_

### POINT II: The Universe F\_\_\_\_\_ T\_\_\_\_\_

Conclusion 4. Agent X is K\_\_\_\_\_ enough to create a fine tuned universe.



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**ARGUMENTS FOR THE EXISTENCE OF GOD**

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**POINT III: The Universe seems D\_\_\_\_\_ for D\_\_\_\_\_**

Conclusion 5. Agent X wants us to D\_\_\_\_\_ him using S\_\_\_\_\_

**POINT IV: The Universe has upto 10 D\_\_\_\_\_**

Conclusion 6. Agent X is not C\_\_\_\_\_ by Time and Space

Given the 6 conclusions, the only thing/person/being that can fit these traits is \_\_\_\_\_.

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**TACTICS FOR DEFENDING THE FAITH**

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Greg Koukl

**I. Introduction**

A. Modifying your goal

B. Staying in the driver's seat

**II. The Columbo Tactic**

A. The tactic in brief

B. Columbo: three uses

First application of Columbo:

*Key question:*

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Second application of Columbo:


*Key question:*

Third application of Columbo:

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