

NO APOLOGY FOR GOD
Copyright 2013, Paul Spite
For inclusion in newsletters, all other rights reserved

I once heard someone say, “When you are right, and you know you are right, there is no need to apologize.”

Contrary to common usage, an apology is not just saying we are sorry. It is defined in one dictionary as a formal justification, offered in defense or explanation. It is offered when our actions disturb or harm others. The usual source of discomfort is their lack of understanding of our motives. So we apologize, to clear up the misunderstanding.

I guess that is why the term “apologetics” bothers me somewhat. It is defined as a theological science which has for its purpose, the explanation and defense of the Christian religion. It is, in essence, our attempt to defend our belief in God and His Word. The truth is, no matter how the Truth comes under attack, God’s Word does not need us to defend it.

Alternate versions of scriptural truth abound. Many, who would never open the scriptures, obtain theological knowledge from fictitious writing about biblical events. They assume an air of authority on these, having acquired no truth on the subject whatsoever. They fail to understand that something well said or argued does not constitute truth.

God’s Word is its own defense and its own final authority. We need not stand before it to contend or defend. We only need to get behind it and follow it. Ultimately, what determines whether words are right and true is whether time and events prove them right and true. God alone has power to bring His scriptural prophecies to utterance, and then to pass. He needs no help from us to prove His scriptures are true. If others ask, and genuinely want to know, fulfillment of His promises can then be used to illustrate one very important aspect of God.

He always keeps His Word. That makes it true.