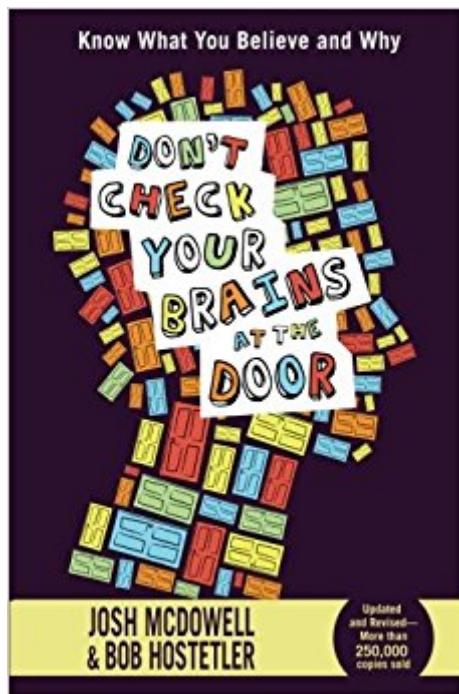


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# Don't Check Your Brains At The Door



## **Synopsis**

â œSeven in 10 Protestants ages 18 to 30â •both evangelical and mainlineâ •who went to church regularly in high school said they quit attending by age 23, according to the survey by LifeWay Research.â • (USA Today)Donâ ™t Check Your Brains at the Door gives teens answers that make sense, even for the toughest of questions. Internationally known defender of the faith Josh McDowell and co-author Bob Hostetler offer clarity laced with humor to expose common myths about God, the Bible, religion, and life to show how Christianity stands up to the test of fact and reason. Teens will be better equipped to stick with their faith as they begin to understand why they believe and why itâ ™s important to make a lifetime commitment to Christ and the church.

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## **Customer Reviews**

As a young man, Josh McDowell considered himself an agnostic. He truly believed that Christianity was worthless. However, when challenged to intellectually examine the claims of Christianity, Josh discoveredÂ compelling and overwhelming evidence for the reliability of the Christian faith. After trusting in Jesus Christ as Savior and Lord, Joshâ ™s life changed dramatically as he experienced the power of Godâ ™s love. After his conversion, Josh committed his life to telling a doubting world about the truth of Jesus Christ. After studying at Kellogg College, Josh completed his college degree at Wheaton College and then attended Talbot Theological Seminary, graduating magna cum laude with a Masters of Divinity. Working with Campus Crusade for Christ and founding the youth outreach, Josh McDowell Ministry, Josh has shared the gospel with more than 25 million people in 125 countries. He is the author or co-authored of 147 books.

Great study guide for my Junior High Class. I like the short lessons that allow for allot of teacher enhancement to spur on discussions. The brain food areas are a good bible based focus for each lesson.

My teenage daughter loves this book. So much so that even after going through it in a Bible study, she wanted her own copy to go through it with online friends that don't fully believe in Jesus.

Glad for the updated version for today's world, but if you have the older version it's very, very similar to the new.

I recently read *Don't Check Your Brains* as part of the BookSneeze.com review program. An evaluation copy was provided to me at no charge. In the interest of full disclosure, as soon as I finished it, I purchased a copy for our teen Sunday School teachers. This book makes a great introduction to "Christian mythbusting." It tackles the ideas that are fed to us--and that so many of us swallow whole. Do these sound familiar?\* God is an impersonal force\* Jesus was a white plastic wimp\* All roads lead to Heaven\* The body of Jesus was really stolen\* As long as I'm better than Hitler, I must be alright in God's eyes. (God grades on a curve!)\* Christians are idiots\* Christianity is easy\* Manhood is about sex, strength, and money\* Sex is dirty and bad\* Mankind can save itselfThese are just a few of the 42 myths tackled by McDowell and Hostetler. The chapters are 2-5 pages each making for a quick and easy read. The authors include great illustrations and anecdotes that help the book relate. I'd recommend the book on this count alone. Another great feature is the inclusion of questions in each chapter. These aren't typical discussion questions; they are "brain food" with scriptures to look up and evaluate. The form has some variation from chapter to chapter to help maintain interest.I enjoyed the book thoroughly. If you're looking to work with young people, I'd consider it a great resource on the basics of intentional Christian thought and living.

This is a good basic apologetics primer for its intended audience - teenagers. It has some very good information about the historical evidences of Jesus and his resurrection. It is also good at exposing several of the myths about Christianity. This text is certainly very basic in comparison to McDowell's 'Evidence That Demands A Verdict', C.S. Lewis' 'Mere Christianity', or Lee Strobel's books, 'The Case For Christ' and 'The Case For Faith'. I would recommend all of these books for adults or teens looking for more indepth treatment of evidences for the Christian faith. As a starting point for high

school or younger kids, this is a pretty good one.

Great book for teens to learn about their faith. Easy & straightforward. I wish they had left the illustrations from the 1st edition. The kids love to laugh at them and they helped them get into the text. But the content is what counts!

Fabulous book! Great resource especially for teens.

I teach Confirmation at our church to our 8th graders, and I buy a copy of this book for all of the students every year. It is a great tool for them to have and reference back to in knowing there is logic and evidence to the Christian faith. The only criticism I might have is that the wording might be a little simpler for teenagers, but the chapters are otherwise a very easy and engaging read for them.

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