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Review

Dr. Johnston loves the truth and he loves people. In Unanswered, both come through clearly. He writes and communicates as a scholar with a keen mind, but also as a pastor with a compassionate heart. By God's grace, *Unanswered* will "teach Christians to become thinkers and thinkers to become Christians." *?Eric Geiger*

Vice President, LifeWay Christian Resources

"You have not because you ask not," said New Testament writer, James. "Your questions are not answered because you've not yet read Unanswered," said...me! In this fresh, intelligent book, Dr. Jeremiah Johnston (don't let the "Dr." scare you; he writes in plain English) gives great responses to some of the most daunting spiritual questions we're all curious about. My advice: 1.) Get this book (seriously, how many books do you know of that smartly discuss both the *veracity of the Bible* and *vampires*?); 2.) Read this book right away (it's too important to put in the stack with all the other ones you want to read "some day"); 3.) Give copies of this book to people you know (some of whom are just a few good answers away from a confident faith in Christ).

?Mark Mittelberg

Best–selling author of *The Questions Christians Hope No One Will Ask* and *Confident Faith* Executive Director, The Center for American Evangelism

Intriguing...stimulating...challenging. These words represent Dr. Jeremiah Johnston's new book, *Unanswered*. It will definitely meet a huge need in today's church. Not only will it answer questions for those seeking the truth, it will also encourage the communicators of God's truth, giving them greater confidence in answering the current questions people are asking today.

?Dr. Ronnie Floyd

President, Southern Baptist Convention

Senior Pastor, Cross Church, Springdale, Arkansas

It is a pleasure to commend this lively and readable book. Some apologetics books are overly technical (and frankly, dull), and many fail to grapple with the current questions as framed by modern enquirers and sceptics. Not so *Unanswered*. Jeremiah Johnston writes with the heart of a pastor and the mind of a scholar. Unanswered questions? about silence, suicide, suffering, and Scripture, to name but a few? pose real problems for real people, which demand the care and compassion that this book provides. This book is accessible and credible; it is a delight to read, and I shall be giving copies away to friends who have wrestled with unanswered questions for years.

?Reverend Dr. Simon Vibert

Vice Principal, Director of the School of Preaching

Wycliffe Hall, University of Oxford

Unanswered is a brilliant showcase of Dr. Johnston's tremendous mind and, more importantly, his love for people and the church. In it, he tackles some of Christianity's toughest questions and gives readers, believers

and nonbelievers alike, the answers they've sought. He is one of the brightest minds of our generation and I cannot recommend *Unanswered* more highly.

?Matthew Barnett

Cofounder, The Dream Center, Los Angeles, California

Author, The Church That Never Sleeps

I commend to you this new and vastly important work. Having pastored and ministered for over three decades, I have found the questions upon which Johnston focuses to be real life points of concern. Combining Scripture, common sense, solid research, and a kind heart, Johnston masterfully presents a compelling case for the powerful ministry of our Lord in real life situations. Having been in a family that has experienced mental illness and suicide, I especially appreciate his balanced treatment to these issues. This will be an important addition in the field of apologetics and pastoral ministry.

?Frank Page, Ph.D.

President and CEO, Southern Baptist Convention Executive Committee

Unanswered tackles the questions that no one talks about in the church. This is a must read for anyone who desires to deal with the difficult questions people are asking today!

?Dr. Ben Young

Author, Why Mike's Not a Christian

Pastor, Second Baptist Church, Houston, Texas

Jeremiah Johnston has an impressive résumé in a multitude of areas: media, biblical scholarship, apologetics, and pastoral work in a megachurch. He is also a man of almost unfathomable vision. His Christian Thinkers Society addresses our post—Christian world head—on with remarkable clarity and insight. It is vast in its concept and fills a massive gap in apologetics and biblical literacy. God has raised up Dr. Johnston for such a time as this.

?Daniel B. Wallace, Ph.D.
Professor of New Testament Studies
Dallas Theological Seminary

Not since the days of the Roman Empire have Christians faced so many challenges and attacks. Many Christians are unsure how to respond and do not know how to defend their faith. In *Unanswered*, Dr. Jeremiah Johnston offers a fresh yet striking defense of the Christian faith, providing the tools and resources essential for every believer in a post–Christian world. Christian Thinkers Society is a go–to ministry for powerful yet concise discussion and answers from some of the world's brightest minds. Its founder, Dr. Johnston, is a respected scholar whose humor and personality make the discussions engaging, even entertaining.

?Dr. Michael Licona Associate Professor of Theology Houston Baptist University

We all know someone who has walked away from the faith, tragically, because of unanswered questions and doubts. With *Unanswered*, Dr. Jeremiah Johnston offers precisely what the church needs today?tools and answers! His Christian Thinkers Society is a creative, engaging forum that truly connects with this

generation. It is a ministry that reaches both seekers asking the tough faith questions as well as believers desiring to strengthen their faith. I enthusiastically support this endeavor!

?Dr. Paul Copan

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About the Author

Dr. Johnston is a New Testament scholar, apologist, and sought—after speaker on university campuses and churches. He completed his doctoral residency in Oxford and received his Ph.D. from Middlesex University (United Kingdom). He also earned advanced degrees in theology from Acadia University (Canada) and received his M.Div. at Midwestern Baptist Theological Seminary. Dr. Johnston has distinguished himself with publications in both popular and scholarly books, refereed journals, and serials. His most recent book is Jesus and the Jihadis, coauthored with Craig Evans. Dr. Johnston currently serves as the founder and president of Christian Thinkers Society, a Resident Institute at Houston Baptist University, where he also serves as Associate Professor of Early Christianity in the School of Christian Thought.

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