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## **Compelling new book brings apologetics to the common Christian**

*Houston, TX—Add date—In his book, Nourishment from the Word: Select Studies in Reformed Doctrine, (Nordskog Publishing Inc., 2008), Dr. Kenneth Gentry, Jr., Th.D., makes the solid meat of apologetics—the intellectual defense of Christian truth—accessible and appetizing to everyone, from the new babe in Christ to the mature believer.*

Pastors across the country are bemoaning the eroding scholarly landscape that once marked the average Christian's faith walk. As believers we are called to love God with all our hearts, souls and minds, but we cannot love God with our minds if we have not trained them according to His ways.

Modern Christians are in dire need of rebuilding a strong spiritual foundation based on Biblical truth, says Gentry, stating, "We live in an age of doctrinal confusion and spiritual anemia" and that God's people are "'destroyed for lack of knowledge'" (Hosea 4:6). In his book, *Nourishment from the Word*, he offers a solution to the dilemma.

Following the Biblical instruction to "be a good servant of Jesus Christ, constantly nourished on the words of the faith and of sound doctrine (1 Timothy 4:6), in *Nourishment from the Word* Gentry tackles key issues of Christian faith and doctrine in compelling, easy to understand language.

The book is divided into two sections of four studies each. The first section deals with characteristics of the Reformed church, focusing on the Biblical basis for practices common to many Christian churches today. The second section addresses keystone doctrinal topics debated through the ages and still deliberated today.

Included are discussions of the relevance of creeds in a modern church; infant baptism and baptismal modes; and the spiritual gift of speaking in tongues. Also included are studies of the Genesis creation account; the book of Revelation and its meaning to both ancient and contemporary Christians; the viability of God's moral law in a post-modern era; and the importance of defending one's faith and beliefs based on Peter's command to "be ready to give a defense to everyone who asks you a reason for the hope that is in you" (1 Peter 3:15).

In each chapter, Gentry first provides an introduction and a fair and thorough explanation of the varying viewpoints of the discussion, followed by analysis for both perspectives. He then uses the technique of allowing scripture to enlighten scripture in order to present and defend his own position on each topic, always with an eye toward preserving the unity of Holy Writ. Each chapter ends with a summary statement or conclusion and plentiful endnotes.

*Nourishment from the Word* is framed with an informative preface explaining the author's understanding of each chapter's topic and why he believes each is an important point of discussion, and a complete index arranged by both subject and scripture.

"Dr. Gentry has constructed a wonderful resource on key ecclesiastical and doctrinal issues," according to reviewer Rev. Dan Dodds.

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