

**BOOK RECOMMENDATIONS BY CATEGORY**  
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<b>Debate Series</b>	
<b>Helpful Websites for Christian Evidences</b>	
<b>Leadership / Church Building</b>	

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Beyond the Firmament – Understanding Science and the Theology of Creation (Gordon Glover) —  
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