



## Chapter 4 Leader Guide - The Mysteries Deepen

### Forensic Faith for Kids

#### Prepare Yourself:

Read the following sections in *Forensic Faith: A Homicide Detective Makes the Case for a More Reasonable, Evidential Christian Faith*:

Chapter 2 - Targeted Training

Read the following section in *Forensic Faith for Kids*:

Chapter 4: The Mysteries Deepen

#### Important Concepts In This Chapter:

In this chapter, the cadets are introduced to more detail about Marco's objection related to Jesus in the form of a book he is reading. This is an great opportunity to talk to your reader about the existence of material that opposes Christianity. Kids will inevitably encounter such material on-line and through exposure to their friends. Parents need to be familiar with the arguments leveled against Christianity, or at least know where to go to get answers. Sometimes young Christians are surprised to encounter aggressive opposition. Adults can inoculate young believers by anticipating the counter-arguments and reacting calmly when they are confronted with objections. Detective Jeffries reminds the cadets that the *frustrating tests* they are experiencing will cause them to train so they can accomplish the *future task* of identifying Bailey's owner and answering Marco's objection. Help your young readers embrace these kinds of challenges so they can train themselves for the future. There's also an opportunity in this chapter to talk about the exclusive nature of Christianity by reading the CSI sidebar involving John 14:6. Help your reader understand that even though "different kinds of religious people believe different things about God," this doesn't mean everyone is *right*.

#### Good Questions to Ask:

"What would *you* have said to Marco if he had shown *you* the book he read about Jesus?"

"Who do you know you could ask to get more information about Jesus?"

"Why does Detective Jeffries give Daniel 'that look' when Daniel starts talking about Vikings?"

"What does John 14:6 tell us about how we can know God?"

"Why does Detective Jeffries give the cadets notepads? What three things are required to take good notes?"