

Speaker's Bio

DALE AHLQUIST

One of the most respected Chesterton scholars in the world, Dale Ahlquist is President of the American Chesterton Society, creator and host of the EWTN series "G.K. Chesterton: The Apostle of Common Sense," and Publisher of *Gilbert Magazine*. He is the author of three books on Chesterton, including *The Complete Thinker*, to be published in the fall of 2012.

An internationally sought-after speaker, Dale has given over 400 lectures at major colleges and universities and other venues, including Yale, Columbia, Cornell, Notre Dame, Oxford, Cal-Berkeley, Cal-Tech, Rice, Penn, Dartmouth, San

Pablo (Madrid), the Vatican Forum in Rome, and the House of Lords in London. He is a Fellow of the Veritas Institute at Oklahoma Wesleyan University.

Dale is the co-founder of Chesterton Academy, a new high school in Minneapolis, Minnesota, that is centered on Chesterton's ideas of integrated learning. He is also the executive producer of *Manalive*, a film based on a novel by G.K. Chesterton, which will be released in 2012.

Dale received a B.A. from Carleton College in Northfield, Minnesota, and a M.A. from Hamline University in St. Paul, Minnesota. He and his wife Laura have six children.

Dale Ahlquist has made Chesterton once again a recognized and revered 20th century Catholic literary figure. In his first book, *The Apostle of Common Sense* (Ignatius), a bestseller, he takes the reader through 12 of Chesterton's most important works as well as the famous Father Brown detective series. In his book, *Common Sense 101: Lessons from G.K. Chesterton*, Ahlquist takes a thematic approach, presenting a Chestertonian perspective of such topics as wonder, paradox, art, education, history, science, fashion, faith, love and marriage. In his forthcoming book, *The Complete Thinker*, Dale looks to the wisdom of Chesterton to explain why modern man has lost his ability to think clearly.



Dale Ahlquist
Travels from Minneapolis

TALKS INCLUDE:

- *The Apostle of Common Sense: An Introduction to G.K. Chesterton*
- *G.K. Chesterton: Poet and Prophet*
- *The Glorious Side to Social Decline: Chesterton on Civilization*
- *A Bout of Sanity: Chesterton on the Theme of Sanity*
- *To Be: Chesterton on Shakespeare*
- *Abandon Hopelessness: Chesterton on Dickens*
- *Words about Words: Chesterton on Literary Criticism*
- *Murder and Other Diversions: Chesterton on Detective Fiction*
- *Catholic Social Teaching: Why Both Liberals and Conservatives Get it Wrong*
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- *Getting into the Ring with GK Chesterton, the Heavyweight Champion of our Faith*
- *The Art of Thinking: G.K. Chesterton on How to Use Your Brain for Its Intended Purpose*
- *Laughing and Crying: Chesterton on Comedy and Tragedy*
- *The Mystery of Mysticism*
- *Polls and Pews: I Vote for Chesterton*
- *God is Dead: Nietzsche vs. Chesterton*

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