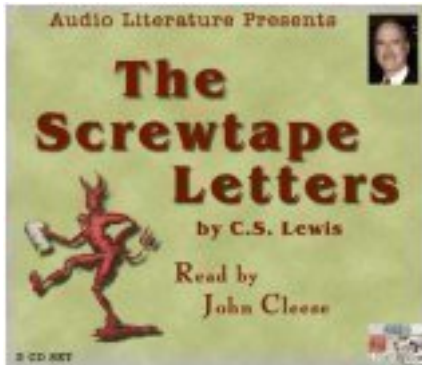


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## C.S. Lewis

### The Screwtape Letters



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## Description

This set of three audio CDs by author and scholar C.S. Lewis is read by English comedian John Cleese. This full-length version runs over 4 hours, including bonus track "Screwtape Proposes a Toast". Imported from the U.K., the set comes in a deluxe triple case with great artwork and will play in any ordinary CD player.

The work became popular when published in The Guardian newspaper during World War II. Screwtape, an older successful devil in hell, responds to the naive letters of his nephew Wormwood, just graduated from a devil-based university. Now in the human world, Screwtape points Wormwood in the direction of his first "patient" with instructions to distract him from heavenly things. Wormwood's task is to cast doubt into his victim's soul, rendering him vulnerable to temptation and ultimately leading to self-damnation. It sounds easy, but proves to be a complex process that can take years (and many letters) to do.

In the early 1970s, the letters were recorded by John Cleese, popular member of "Monty Python's Flying Circus" television show (i.e., Ministry of Funny Walks). Cleese is an accomplished intellectual, holding a Master's degree from Cambridge University, adding his own unmistakable style of realism to the correspondence. Making this his own personal project and classic work, Cleese's infusion of personality, character and intelligence into Lewis' Screwtape produces an addictive listening experience. As funny as it is disturbing, Cleese is downright uncomfortable to listen to at times. But while you may turn him off, you will sneak back a few hours later to continue listening to the entrancing conversations, supplying a rare chance to hear the devil's own thoughts into the complex social politics of good and evil. Many people ponder if they might have a similar Screwtape in their own life.

## Insightful reviews

Mike (the Paladin): Fantastic book! C. S. Lewis' first "novel" (actually Pilgrim's regress was first but it's a rather oblique allegory). It was and still is a best seller. I can recommend it to Christians and non-Christians alike. It's full of (yes I know it's a cliché, but here it's just true) "wit and wisdom". You'll see yourself and everyone else you've ever known well. You'll see situations that come up in everyday life. I recommend it highly!

This is probably my second favorite novel by Lewis...after *The Great Divorce*, and rates up there in my favorite books of all time list.

Okay...did you get that I like it? :)

Jessica Journey: In a short, inefficient word that must suffice: *wow*.

No book, short of the Bible, has ever done so much for my relationship with God.

This is powerful stuff, a story of opposites. Viewing our world from the dark depths of hell, from the hateful eyes of a demon, emphasizes incredibly the light of heaven and love of God.

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I was moved to tears nearly every time I sat down to read a few chapters. *He, God, loves me.* I have never understood that so fully as when Lewis allowed me a glimpse of what life might be like if He didn't.

*The Screwtape Letters* has made me wiser; more discerning. And perhaps more importantly, even: more thankful. Every Christian needs to read this book.

El: This book has probably one of the easiest premises around to understand: The senior devil, Screwtape, writes advice to a junior devil, his nephew, Wormwood. The letters are his advice to Wormwood how to prevent a human from reaching his full Christian capabilities, and to turn the human to their "side", as it were. Screwtape is one of the best villains in literature, and the epistolary format of this book helps to see the world through the demon's eyes.

Apparently C.S. Lewis had a hard time writing this book, and after a brief sequel or continuation later, he was not able to return to the whole Screwtape thing because it "hurt" him too much to write from the point of view of the devil. For someone like myself who is in no way religious, I'm more fascinated by that than anything else. He certainly did not write this book in order to garner sympathy for Screwtape, and it's meant to be satirical anyhow, so I'm not sure I understand his reasoning. Still, it's a good book, religious or not.

In fact, reading some of the reviews of it here I find that to be a true Christian this is the book that must be read. A lot of people go on about how this book helped them see more clearly how the devil can lead one astray, and how there are such negative forces preventing good people from being fully happy. The part which trips me up about the whole thing and makes me snicker as I read some of these reviews is that this book is comprised of letters from a devil to another devil. It's the devil's advice. It even says in the Preface: "Readers are advised to remember that the devil is a liar. Not everything that Screwtape says should be assumed to be true even from his own angle." The devil lies, so... his words shouldn't be taken as truth, so...

Maybe it's just late and my mind is playing tricks on me. The end result is this is a great little book, and a quick read. Clearly non-Christians can benefit from reading this just as much as a Christian can, so don't let the reviews throw you. It's a satire and should be read as such, and like I always say, just enjoy the read.

Then again, I felt the same way about the Narnia books too. They were just a fun read and I don't care *who* Aslan was supposed to represent.

Wendy: i did not rather get pleasure from this publication yet am pleased that I learn it. In fact, every now and then the booklet made my pores and skin crawl. in the event you haven't learn it, the booklet is written as a host of letters from a tempter, Uncle Screwtape, to his nephew, a tempter in training, named Wormwood. Screwtape tutors Wormwood on how you can tempt the "patient" he's assigned. throughout the letters, you're regularly reminded and made to consider how the adversary tempts us. what's poignant is that the crafty and evil plans should not situated round seen sins, that so usually are what we predict approximately once we take into consideration temptation and sin. Instead, the tempters concentrate on even more refined

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sins corresponding to vanity, pride, distraction, insincerity, forgetting or being too drained say prayers, and how those can in achieving an analogous aim because the extra seen sins that is eventually to steer us clear of God. that is how crafty and evil the Satan is. He is familiar with that through chipping away a bit at a time he has a greater likelihood at gaining us as his own. You can't learn this e-book and never give some thought to how pertinent it truly is in your life. It was once a bit scary to discover myself within the publication as anyone who has succumbed to a couple of those subtle temptations (many times). might be that's why I did not benefit from the learn yet nonetheless chanced on it very insightful. I discovered this "Beatitudes" in anyone else's assessment (Jenelle) and proposal it was once nice so I copied it from her evaluate to mine. fairly hit it domestic for me. Screwtape Counterfeits

1. Blessed are those people who are too tired, too busy, too distracted to spend an hour as soon as per week with their fellow Christians — they're my top workers.
2. Blessed are these Christians who wait to be requested and count on to be thanked — I will be able to use them.
3. Blessed are the sensitive who cease going to church — they're my missionaries.
4. Blessed are the difficulty makers — they will likely be known as my children.
5. Blessed are the complainers — I am all ears to them.
6. Blessed are people who find themselves tired of the minister's mannerisms and error — for they get not anything out of his sermons.
7. Blessed is the church member who expects to be invited to his personal church — for he's part of the matter rather than the solution.
8. Blessed are those that gossip — for they shall reason strife and department that please me.
9. Blessed are people who are simply indignant — for they are going to quickly get offended and quit.
10. Blessed are those that don't provide their delivering to hold on God's paintings — for they're my helpers.
11. Blessed is he who professes to like God yet hates his brother and sister — for he can be with me forever.
12. Blessed are you who, for those who learn this, imagine it truly is approximately people and never your self — I have you too!

Cary: this is often my first ebook of C.S. Lewis outdoors the Chronicles of Narnia Series. I would like to stability my examining checklist with good, healthy and encouraging Christian books so I made a decision to aim the works of Lewis and search for an e-book. Fortunately, I used to be capable of finding one on-line so I began with Screwtape Letters. The Screwtape Letters is a chain of letters written via Screwtape, a senior demon, to his nephew and a neophyte tempter, Wormood, in regards to the alternative ways to tempt a newly switched over Christian they known as "Patient". Their target is to safe the "Patient's" everlasting damnation in hell. during this book, C.S. Lewis attempted to explain the non secular battles among Christians and the forces of evil in a distinct element of view. At first, I felt uncomfortable examining the components the place Lewis referred God as "the Enemy" and devil because the "Father" simply because being a baby of God, I do know it is the wrong way around. yet it as a literary piece, this can be really the spice of the tale and this what makes the ebook specific to me, that I actually can not help yet recognize Lewis for his knowledge and creativity. After interpreting the book, I used to be particularly enlightened and reminded of the truths that we people may still think approximately God:

1. God loves us and He doesn't wish a person folks to perish yet He wishes us to have everlasting existence with Him and so He his Son to die for us and pay for our sins (John 3:16). so one can have everlasting life, we need to settle for Jesus in our existence and think that he's our Lord and Savior. via demise on at the cross, he redeemed us and supplied the forgiveness of our sins - past, current and future.
2. God promised that for us who obtain Jesus, He gave the fitting to be known as His Children. No you can actually separate us from His love thus, our salvation via Jesus is guaranteed and not anyone can take it clear of us, no

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longer even Satan.3. What devil merely wishes from each human is to steal, kill and destroy. he's like a lion who's continually taking a look round for prey, able to eat every time therefore we must always be on guard. he'll try out all attainable potential for us to show clear of God.4. God promised us victory. What Jesus did at the pass is already complete. due to that, we're successful in Christ so we have now the facility to win any conflict together with non secular conflict with the genuine Enemy. Therefore, we mustn't ever lose wish and stand company on our religion that God has already given us the holy existence via Jesus and all we need to do is to reside it and prevent doing the issues that aren't entertaining to Him. This ebook supplied a few examples of the disagreeable issues which could look insignificant yet can finally bring about our personal destruction as the satan understands tips on how to control our ideas so we actually must be careful.5. Of course, find out how to defeat the Enemy is to put down all our battles to God via praying and petition. The Bible said, "Finally, be robust within the Lord and in his powerful power. wear the whole armor of God, so you might take your stand opposed to the devil's schemes. For our fight isn't really opposed to flesh and blood, yet opposed to the rulers, opposed to the authorities, opposed to the powers of this darkish international and opposed to the religious forces of evil within the heavenly realms. for this reason wear the complete armor of God, in order that whilst the day of evil comes, you can be capable of stand your ground, and upon getting performed everything, to stand. Stand enterprise then, with the belt of fact buckled round your waist, with the breastplate of righteousness in place, and together with your ft equipped with the readiness that comes from the gospel of peace. as well as all this, soak up the safeguard of faith, with that you can extinguish all of the flaming arrows of the evil one. Take the helmet of salvation and the sword of the Spirit, that's the be aware of God. And pray within the Spirit on all events with all types of prayers and requests. With this in mind, be alert and consistently stick with it praying for the entire Lord's humans (Ephesians 6:10-18). this is often truly the passage that retains on coming out of my brain the whole time i used to be examining the book. This publication in basic terms desires to indicate that we have to realize that similar to Heaven, Hell can be genuine and devil additionally exists. he's consistently trying to find attainable "recruits" and deceiving humans through suggesting varied lies in our minds to maintain us from turning to God. yet God is loving and gracious. he'll by no means permit His childrens fall if we'll basically stay in Him. God wishes all His kids to be reunited with Him in eternity, yet sadly, no longer everybody can visit heaven simply because no longer each person has permitted the Truth. He gave us unfastened will to settle on how are we going to reside our existence right here on earth. So in each second and each motion of our lives, we're given diversified options: to do His will or to persist with our personal will? And we have to opt for good simply because one could be the street to hell. If you're looking for a booklet approximately dwelling a Christian life, then I hugely suggest this one yet in fact dwelling a holy lifestyles in keeping with God's common can basically be completed if we consistently search to understand our author an Savior extra via analyzing his written Word.

Bagger: i've got learn this ebook two times earlier than yet after my worship pastor pointed out a quote that I had forgotten in a single a part of the publication Wormwood writes his uncle Screwtape with nice worry that his topic has began going to church, his uncle relatively simply assures him that the simplest factor to do is hold him in church, yet continue him pleased with the truth that he consistently attends the companies or sits within the similar area, so long as Wormwood retains him within the development and clear of God. I imagine Lewis is a type of authors you might want to reread at diverse levels of your life, at a few issues it my appear a

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foolish paintings of fiction, yet i feel that it exhibits what we all know yet don't need to confess that there's a strength actively operating opposed to us, so simply reaffirming that with this ebook is an efficient reminder.

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