



## C.S. Lewis and Christian Apologetics with Dr. David Schenk

### Lecture 15: God in the Dock

#### Outline:

*God in the Dock* by C.S. Lewis

- To say that God is in the dock means that God is on trial.
- We have a dilemma where people will use a word to mean one specific thing, but the audience is completely accustomed to hearing in that word something entirely different.
  - Person and spirit are two examples of these words.
  - This is more extreme in social media. All sorts of contextual information is lost.
  - This linguistic hurdle is a very serious one.
- The greatest barrier is the absence of any sense of sin.
  - For the modern man, the roles are reversed. He is the judge, God is in the dock.
  - What are the sins of today?
    - Stay away from chastity, worldliness, and pride.
    - Turn to the sins where they know that people do suffer on account of them, where they know they are worse people than they should be. Turn to sins of snarkiness, moral impatience, judgmental attitudes, resentment, habitual distraction, dissoluteness, malice, greed, coldness, indifference.