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

Lecture 4: The Weight of Glory, Part 1

Outline:

The Weight of Glory by C.S. Lewis

- We are far too easily pleased.
- What is it that people really want today for success?
 - They want to indulge in their own passions.
 - They want to be congratulated and fawned over.
 - They want to live happy, comfortable lives.
- There are things so great and so beautiful that we worry we would exploded under their pressure. God does offer that and we are afraid of that.
- The little kid is not going to learn long division because of the beauty or usefulness of it. You have to reach them where they are.
 - There are some things they can do at a young age for beauty's sake.
 - A child must begin working more as a mercenary.
- Much of what is ruining lives today is that our own desires are undermining us. We are becoming a dissolute people. It is that we haven't learn to love and want these other greater things.
- We are making mud pies in the slum. It's comfortable, and we know how to do it.
- My own deepest desires will change, loving things that I am incapable of loving today (in the distant tomorrow).
- Man is made for God. Man is cast into a world in which he does not see God. Our desire for God attaches to finite things instead of infinite perfection. We have an infinite desire, but are surrounded only by finite objects.