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

Lecture 5: The Weight of Glory, Part 2

Outline:

The Weight of Glory by C.S. Lewis

- Our real desire when we behold beauty is what we do when we are yearning for something. Your desire is it enter into it (the desire to walk into the music you behold). You want to become one with it. You want to go where that beauty lives and be surrounded by it.
- What we want, we will never have in this world. What you really want simply isn't in this world. In our current condition, we are not yet ready to withstand that face to face experience.
- We were not made for this Earth.
- There is a lot of Augustine and the Apostle Paul in this essay.
- If there were no infinite, we would not want it.
- Can anything be added to the conception of being with Christ?
- The promise of glory:
 - There is a moment at which a child beams innocently because they have received praise from their parent. Our relationship with God ought to be like that.
 - Olory is luminosity. We do not want merely to see beauty. We want to be united with beauty, to become part of it.
 - o "There are no ordinary people, you have never talked to a mere mortal." C.S. Lewis
- No matter how strongly we believe it, to understand that we are immortal is a constant challenge. Everything we see around us is temporary or changing.
- The second sense of glory: The impossible desire of ours is only impossible on this side of the eschaton. On the other side, not only is it possible, it is promised.