



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

Lecture 6: Mere Christianity, Part 1

Outline:

The Weight of Glory by C.S. Lewis

- Our deepest desire is for the infinite (Lewis' version of the argument from desire).
- The way we encounter beauty is real. This is a direct encounter with infinite beauty.
- The way we encounter the infinite is as absolutely real. It is hard to explain this.

Mere Christianity, Book 1 by C.S. Lewis

- The argument Lewis gives us, is Aquinas's argument for the existence of God from the argument of good and evil, understood under Natural Law theory.
- He begins by noting the reality of quarrelling (which has amplified greatly today).
 - This is regarding quarrelling over what is fair and unfair, just and unjust.
 - The laws of right and wrong don't need us to go on being the laws that they are. They are functions of the world, independently of us.
 - If good and evil are not real, then justice is also socially constructed.