

Questions for Week 2 (July 6)

3. The Reality of the Law

Lewis concludes that the moral law (or natural law) is alive and active in human lives.

1. According to Lewis, the statement, *Men ought to behave decently in order to benefit society*, is a redundant statement. Why?
2. Do you think the *Law of Nature* as described by Lewis is real and not invented by humanity?
3. How is the law pressing on us?

4. What Lies Behind the Law

1. According to Lewis, science cannot discover the mind behind the creation of the universe. Why not?
2. What is the one thing that is unique about humanity that is different than anything else a scientist can study?

5. We Have Cause to be Uneasy

Lewis gives three reasons to consider religion as a means to satisfy the guilt imposed by the moral law.

1. Lewis suggests that one reason to reconsider religion is that humanity is on the wrong road. Do you think humanity is still on the wrong road?
2. Lewis states that if God is like the moral law, he is not soft or sentimental. Why is this shocking? What else points to the existence of God apart from the moral law?
3. According to Lewis, what realization must occur before Christianity will make sense to any person?

Resources:

Audio of this book can heard on our podcast or at our webpage at <http://www.beaconnet.org>

A professional recording can be heard on YouTube, with Chapter 3 starting partway through this file: <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=uPQtELTdwBA>

The **radio address** that became the final chapter of *Mere Christianity* is here in Lewis' own voice: http://www.bbc.co.uk/religion/religions/christianity/people/cslewis_16.shtml

The entire text can be read on-line here (among other places): <http://www.philosophyforlife.com/mctoc.htm>

A more detailed study guide can be downloaded here (the next-to-last file): <http://scholia.net/mccoy.html>

Finally, **a detailed outline designed for small group leaders** can be found below. It may also be useful for general use or review: http://www.opendiscipleship.org/Mere_Christianity_leaders_notes