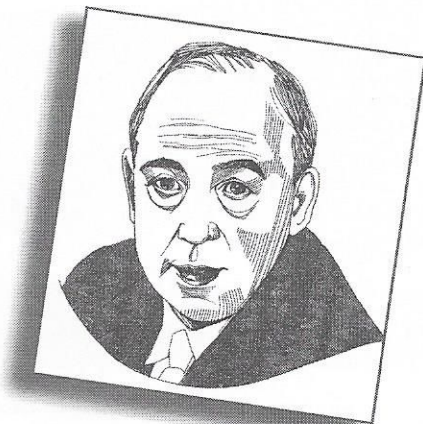


CLIVE STAPLES LEWIS

[1898 – 1963]



Clive Staples Lewis was born in Belfast, Ireland, on November 29th 1898. Throughout his life, Lewis was known to his family and friends as "Jack" - a nickname he 1] _____ for himself at the age of four after the death of 'Jackie', a much loved neighbourhood dog.

In 1913, he went to Malvern College. It was here that fifteen year old Lewis became an 2] _____ .

Eventually, Lewis went to Oxford University College but took a break from study when WWI broke out. He 3] _____ in the British Army in 1917. On April 15th 1918, he was wounded in the Battle of Arras and was discharged just over a year later.

While in the army, Lewis became close friends with his roommate Paddy Moore. Moore was killed in battle in 1918. When Lewis arrived home, he fulfilled a 4] _____ he had made to his friend to look after his family if he died. Lewis moved in with Paddy's mother, Jane, in 1920.

On May 20th, 1925, Lewis became a teacher of English Literature at Oxford University. He worked here for twenty-nine years until 1954.

During this time, Lewis went from being an atheist to being one of the most important Christian writers of the 20th century. He was 5] _____ a Christian in 1931. Lewis said his friendship with *Lord of the Rings* writer J. R. R. Tolkien helped him to find 6] _____ .

The Chronicles of Narnia are a deeply religious set of books. There are seven in total:

The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe (1950)

Prince Caspian (1951)

The Voyage of the Dawn Treader (1952)

The Silver Chair (1953)

The Horse and His Boy (1954)

The Magician's Nephew 7] (_____)

The Last Battle (1956)

However, it is perhaps his first book that we will best remember him for, as we follow the adventures of Peter, Edmund, Susan and Lucy (the sons of Adam and the daughters of Eve) as they battle against the 8] _____ White Witch (the devil) and join forces with Aslan the lion (Jesus).

Lewis was married late in life, at the age of fifty-eight, to Joy Gresham, an American writer fifteen years younger than him. After a four-year fight with bone cancer, Joy passed away in 1960. Lewis continued to care for her two sons, Douglas and David Gresham.

C. S. Lewis died at his home on November 22nd 1963.

A enlisted

B atheist

C promise

D baptised

E God

F coined

G wicked

H 1955