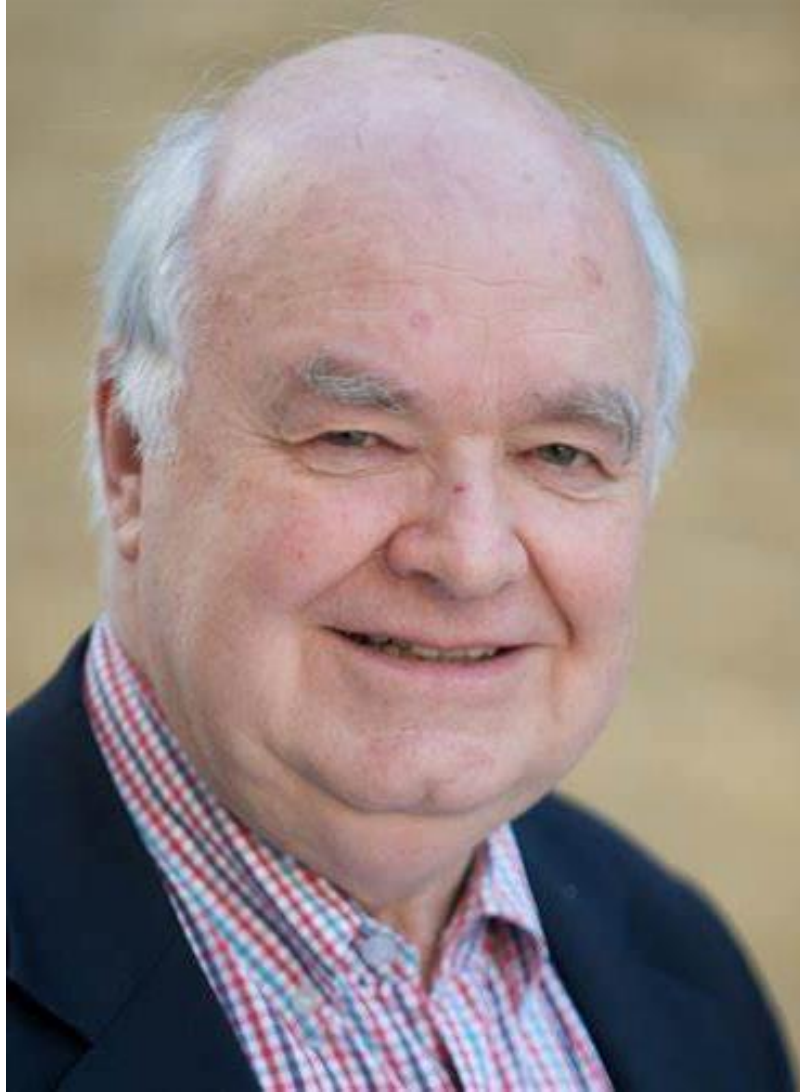
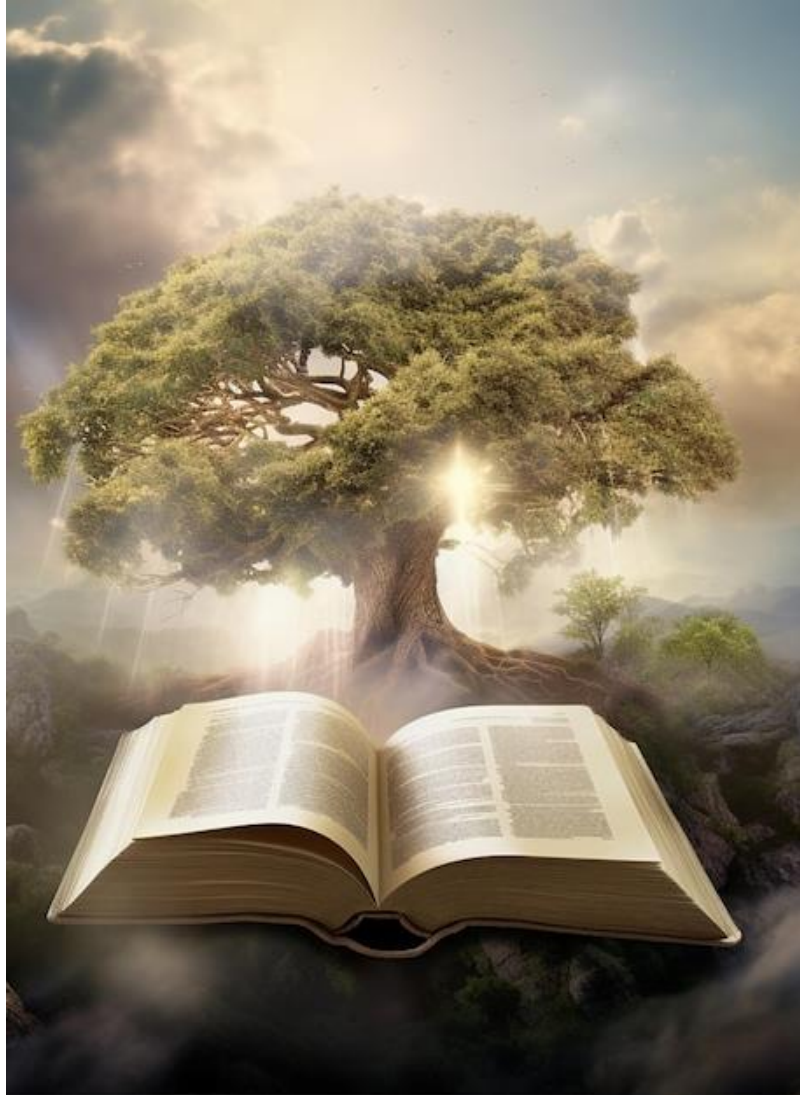




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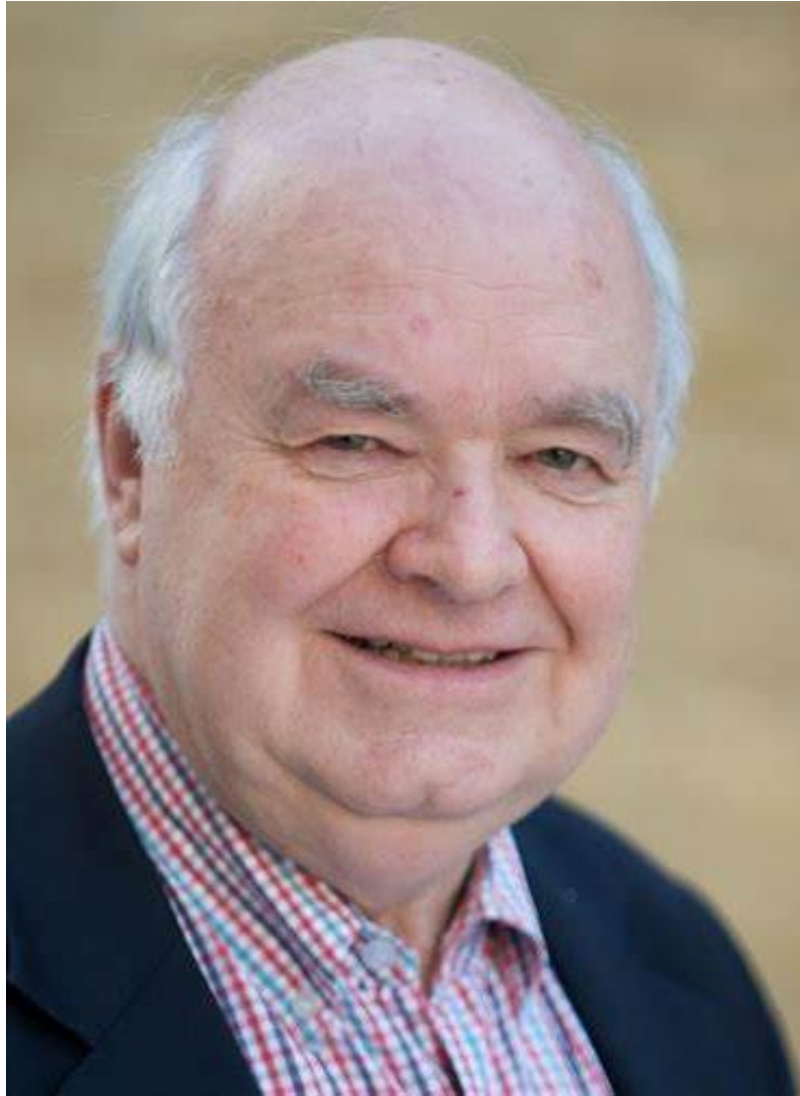


John Lennox



“Why would you choose to worship a creator God who forbade man to actually eat from the tree of knowledge, of which you have obviously eaten from, because you are a rather knowledgeable man.

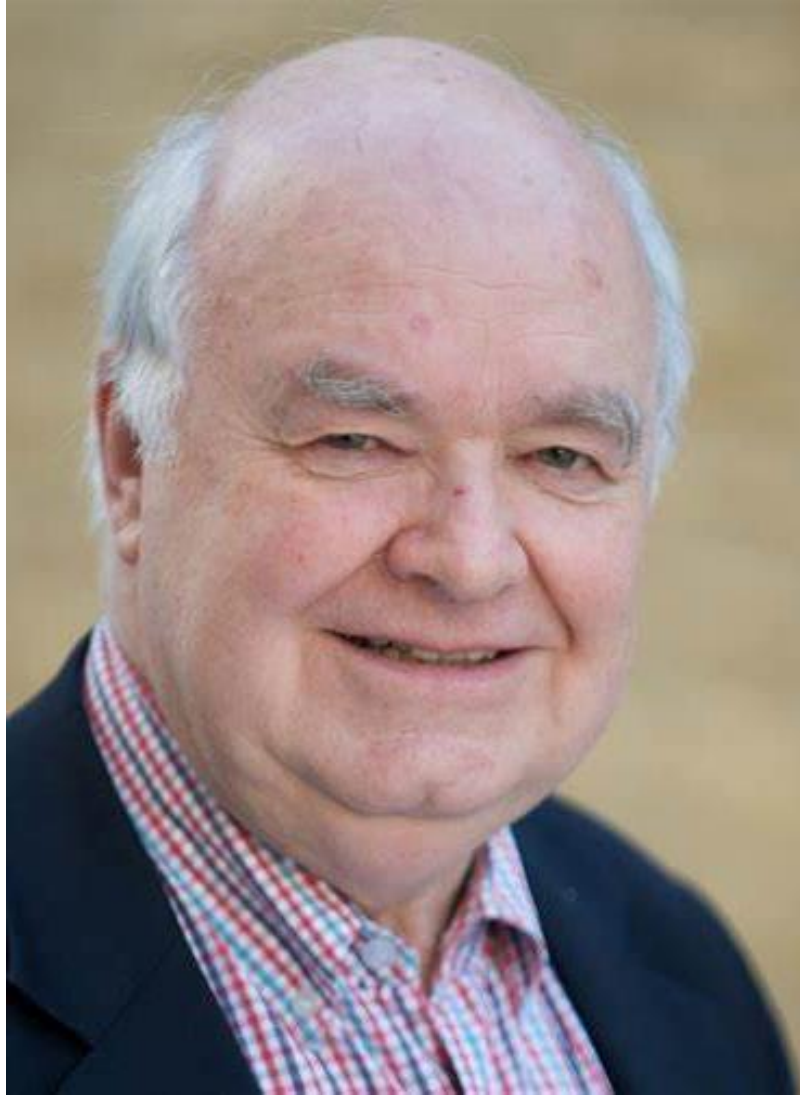
Why would you worship this sort of deity who would have kept you down.”



“That’s a very good question.

I will tell you why it’s a good question.

I notice it was asked originally by a snake.”



*“The answer to your question is this:
Do I worship a God who wants to keep me down?
I’ll tell you the kind of God I worship.
I worship the kind of God who made me in His
image, and coded Himself into humanity, came
into our world, to provide a basis through His death
and resurrection that I could become something
that I was not by creation.
And that is a son of God.
The notion that God is trying to keep us down is
actually the original lie.”*

“Theology proceeds from God, teaches us about God, and leads us to God.”

Thomas Aquinas

“True worship is to be so personally and hopelessly in love with God, that the idea of a transfer of affection never even remotely exists.”

AW Tozer

Ephesians 1:

¹³ And you also were included in Christ when you heard the message of truth, the gospel of your salvation. When you believed, you were marked in him with a seal, the promised Holy Spirit, ¹⁴ who is a deposit guaranteeing our inheritance until the redemption of those who are God's possession—to the praise of his glory.

Ephesians 1:

¹⁵ For this reason, ever since I heard about your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love for all God's people, ¹⁶ I have not stopped giving thanks for you, remembering you in my prayers. ¹⁷ I keep asking that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the glorious Father, may give you the Spirit of wisdom and revelation, so that you may know him better. ¹⁸ I pray that the eyes of your heart may be enlightened in order that you may know the hope to which he has called you, the riches of his glorious inheritance in his holy people, ¹⁹ and his incomparably great power for us who believe.

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That power is the same as the mighty strength ²⁰ he exerted when he raised Christ from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly realms, ²¹ far above all rule and authority, power and dominion, and every name that is invoked, not only in the present age but also in the one to come. ²² And God placed all things under his feet and appointed him to be head over everything for the church, ²³ which is his body, the fullness of him who fills everything in every way.

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“Thou that hast given so much to me, give one thing more, a grateful heart. Not thankful when it pleases me, as if thy blessings had some spare days, but such a heart whose pulse may be thy praise.”

George Herbert

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“The very same power which raised Christ is waiting to raise the drunkard from his drunkenness, to raise the thief from his dishonesty, to raise the Pharisee from his self-righteousness, to raise the Sadducee from his unbelief.”

Charles Spurgeon

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“I actually find that Christianity is obsessed with love.

The teaching of Christ as I see it, is that the message of Christianity is a message of redemption, it’s a story of renewal and rebirth.

Jesus dying and rising again symbolizes that story, and so, in a small way I felt like I had died and been reborn.



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