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"TO KNOW CHRIST AND MAKE HIM KNOWN"

Jan. 11, 2026

Mere Christianity: Week 2

"I am a CHRISTIAN, a MEER CHRISTIAN, of no other Religion; and the Church that I am of is the Christian Church..." – Pastor Richard Baxter, 1680

C.S. Lewis uses this quote as the title of his book about the essentials of the faith. He is not saying Christianity is small or weak. He is focusing on what is essential. "Mere Christianity" focuses on what all Christians, across time and tradition, hold in common: God exists, Humanity is broken, Jesus Christ saves.

Lewis begins with an invitation to consider:

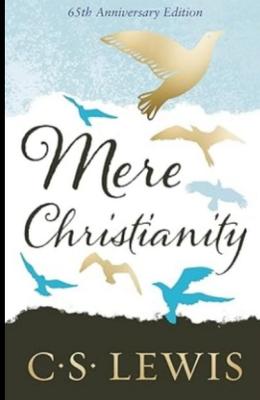
1. Is there a God?
2. What is that God like?
3. What should be our response?

Lewis suggests that we have a choice between being "materialists" or "religious." He argues that examining your spirit is the one means you have of knowing whether there is a God and what He is like. **Genesis 1:1** *In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth.*

Lewis argues that belief in what God is like explains our sense of right and wrong, our need for purpose, and anger at "unfairness" far better than chance or instinct.

Romans 2:15 *They (Gentiles) show that the requirements of the law are written on their hearts, their consciences also bearing witness, and their thoughts sometimes accusing them and at other times even defending them.*

Lewis concludes there is a God and God is absolute goodness. *"God is the only comfort, He is also the supreme terror: the thing we most need and the thing we most want to hide from. He is our only possible ally, and we have made ourselves His enemies."*



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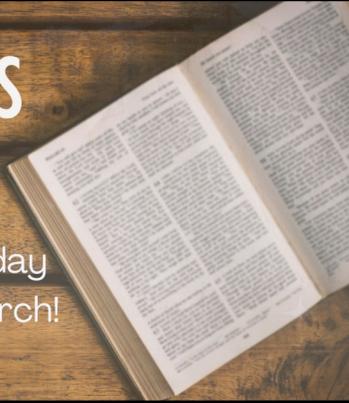
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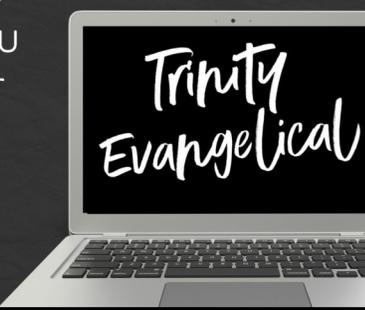
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Through Jan. 4, 2026

Main Budget for 2026	\$1,271,695.34
Year To Date Need	\$ 24,455.68
Year To Date Offerings	\$ 51,968.54*
	*212 % of YTD budget need

Dec. 28 attendance:	8:30	10:00	11:15
In person	182	366	172
Peak Live Views	24	29	-
Total Views	245	222	-

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