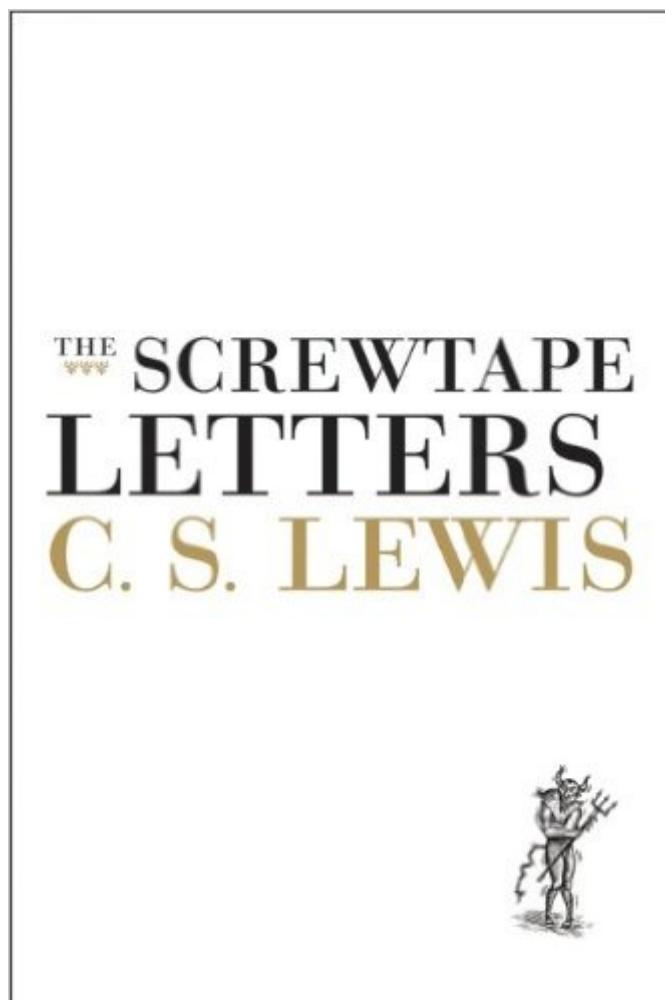


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The Screwtape Letters: With Screwtape Proposes A Toast



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A milestone in the history of popular theology, *The Screwtape Letters* is an iconic classic on spiritual warfare and the dynamics of temptation. This profound and striking narrative takes the form of a series of letters from Screwtape, a devil high in the Infernal Civil Service, to his nephew Wormwood, a junior colleague engaged in his first mission on earth, trying to secure the damnation of a young man who has just become a Christian. Although the young man initially looks to be a willing victim, he changes his ways and is "lost" to the young devil. Dedicated to Lewis's friend and colleague J. R. R. Tolkien, *The Screwtape Letters* is a timeless classic on spiritual conflict and the psychology of temptation which are part of our religious experience.

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Customer Reviews

Today I loaned a copy of "Screwtape" to a young woman - the receptionist where I work -- who just celebrated her 21st birthday. I HOPE she enjoys it, even as I wonder if a fifty year old book could strike a chord with her -- the way it did with me, when I was her age. She seemed eager enough to borrow a copy (I have two) just as soon as I described the book's delightful premise: "Screwtape" I told her, "is letters from a senior devil to a junior devil - and it's the funniest thing C.S. Lewis ever wrote - Have you heard of C.S. Lewis?" I asked. "No? Well he authored 'Narnia.' (Neither of us has seen the movie yet.) I told her 'Screwtape' is funny because (like all good humor) it seems so TRUE. Or at least you want to BELIEVE it's real, as 'Screwtape' the experienced devil coaches his nephew 'Wormwood' in his first assigned task: to "secure the damnation" of his 'patient' -- a young man who has just become a Christian. As with "Narnia," the story unfolds in wartime (WWII) England. That's a

long time ago for someone 21 years old and "I'm really interested" I said "to find out if the 'dialogue' of this book still speaks to someone your age." "Personally, I think it would make good movie" I said. "It has been made into a talking book - read, I think, by John Cleese - the funny guy who starred in the movie 'A Fish Called Wanda' - I read somewhere he's recorded a version of 'Screwtape.' ----So . . after loaning that copy of "Screwtape" today, I opened, at random, my OTHER copy -- it fell open to page 24 -- and I re-discovered why I've loved this book so much for so many years.

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