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The Shape of My Early Life *Houghton Mifflin Harcourt*

First published in 1955, the classic autobiography of the literary scholar and children's author recounts his journey from a youthful atheism to a thoughtful Christianity, his experiences in World War I, and his introduction to Oxford.

Surprised by Joy

The Shape of My Early Life *HarperCollins*

A repackaged edition of the revered author's spiritual memoir, in which he recounts the story of his divine journey and eventual conversion to Christianity. C. S. Lewis—the great British writer, scholar, lay theologian, broadcaster, Christian apologist, and bestselling author of *Mere Christianity*, *The Screwtape Letters*, *The Great Divorce*, *The Chronicles of Narnia*, and many other beloved classics—takes readers on a spiritual journey through his early life and eventual embrace of the Christian faith. Lewis begins with his childhood in Belfast, surveys his boarding school years and his youthful atheism in England, reflects on his experience in World War I, and ends at Oxford, where

he became "the most dejected and reluctant convert in all England." As he recounts his lifelong search for joy, Lewis demonstrates its role in guiding him to find God.

Surprised by Joy *HarperCollins UK*

For many years an atheist, C. S. Lewis vividly describes the spiritual quest that convinced him of the truth and reality of Christianity, in his famous autobiography.

C. S. Lewis on Joy *Thomas Nelson Incorporated*

This beautifully illustrated selection draws together some of his reflections on joy and shows the qualities of intelligence, honesty, and humility which made him such a respected teacher.

The Surprising Imagination of C. S. Lewis

An Introduction *Abingdon Press*

Narnia, Perelandra—places of wonder and longing. The White Witch, Screwtape—personifications of evil. Aslan—a portrait of the divine. Like Turkish Delight, some of C.S. Lewis's writing surprises and whets our appetite for more. But some of his works bite and nip at our heels. What enabled C.S. Lewis to create such vivid characters and compelling plots? Perhaps it was simply that C.S. Lewis had an unsurpassed imagination. Or perhaps he had a knack for finding the right metaphor or analogy that awakened readers' imaginations in new ways. But whatever his gifts, no one can deny that

C.S. Lewis had a remarkable career, producing many books in eighteen different literary genres, including: apologetics, autobiography, educational philosophy, fairy stories, science fiction, and literary criticism. And while he had and still has critics, Lewis' works continue to find devoted readers. The purpose of this book is to introduce C.S. Lewis through the prism of imagination. For Lewis, imagination is both a means and an end. And because he used his own imagination well and often, he is a practiced guide for those of us who desire to reach beyond our grasp. Each chapter highlights Lewis's major works and then shows how Lewis uses imagination to captivate readers. While many have read books by C.S. Lewis, not many readers understand his power to

give new slants on the things we think we know. More than a genius, Lewis disciplined his imagination, harnessing its creativity in service of helping others believe more deeply. "Truly fresh, rhetorically astute works about C. S. Lewis are rare, but this provocative new volume by Jerry Root and Mark Neal emerges at just the right time to reinvigorate Lewis scholarship beyond the clichés we continue to repeat to each other. The Surprising Imagination of C. S. Lewis delivers just that salvo, an ingenious, empathetic, lavishly informed elucidation of Lewis's understanding of the life of the imagination." —Bruce L. Edwards, Professor Emeritus of English and Africana Studies, Bowling Green State University, Bowling Green, OH "Our grasp of 'imagination' is such a

pale and paltry thing; Neal and Root offer a much-needed corrective by illustrating Lewis's robust use of the word. The happy result is a more accurate and nuanced reading of Lewis. But there is more: through their careful work, we are graced with a rich, new vocabulary to discern and describe the many uses of creative imagination all around us." —Diana Pavlac Glycer, Professor of English at Azusa Pacific University, Azusa, CA, author of *The Company They Keep: C. S. Lewis and J. R. R. Tolkien as Writers in Community* "This fabulous book on Lewis's imagination will delight readers new to Lewis and those who, like the authors, have been reading him for decades. It shimmers with the joy of exploration and discovery. The Surprising Imagination of

C. S. Lewis is a reliable and inspiring guide not only to Lewis but to a treasure trove of imaginative books that fired Lewis's own imagination. In Robert Frost's delightful phrase, this book is the occasion for a 'fresh think.'" —Wayne Martindale, Emeritus Professor of English, Wheaton College, Wheaton, IL "Jerry Root and Mark Neal make excellent use of Lewis's literary criticism of other authors to show how he employed different varieties of imagination in his own works. The result is a good book about Lewis and an even better one on the capacity of imagination to enrich each of our lives every day." —Mark Noll, Francis A. McAnaney Professor of History, University of Notre Dame, Notre Dame, IN "For nearly four decades I have been

reading books and articles in the field of Lewis studies. This volume is one of the most original and fascinating books on Lewis to appear in a long time." —Lyle W. Dorsett, Billy Graham Professor of Evangelism, Beeson Divinity School, Samford University, Birmingham, AL

Surprised by Oxford

A Memoir *Thomas Nelson*

"Well written, often poignant and surprisingly relatable." - Kirkus Reviews
 "A hugely readable journey of cultural and spiritual discovery, sparkling with wit and wisdom." - Alister McGrath
 "Carolyn Weber's memoir reads like a fast-paced novel. I loved the humor, skillful use of language and her compelling account of her steps to

finding God at Oxford. I was totally captivated from beginning to end." - Marilyn Meberg
 Surprised by Oxford is the memoir of a skeptical agnostic who comes to a dynamic personal faith in God during graduate studies in literature at Oxford University. Carolyn Weber arrives at Oxford a feminist from a loving but broken family, suspicious of men and intellectually hostile to all things religious. As she grapples with her God-shaped void alongside the friends, classmates, and professors she meets, she tackles big questions in search of Truth, love, and a life that matters. From issues of fatherhood, feminism, doubt, doctrine, and love, Weber explores the intricacies of coming to faith with an aching honesty and insight echoing that of the poets and writers she studied.

Rich with illustration and literary references, *Surprised by Joy* is at once gritty and lyrical; both humorous and spiritually perceptive. This savvy, credible account of Christian conversion and its after-effects follows the calendar year and events of the school year as it entertains, informs, and promises to engage even the most skeptical and unlikely reader. "Surprised by Joy is a sprightly contribution to the genre of spiritual memoirs in the vein of C.S. Lewis's *Surprised by Joy* and Lauren F. Winner's *Girl Meets God*. Carolyn Weber is an unconventional thinker whose engagingly told faith journey will speak to folks who still believe that thoughtful people cannot be Christian." - Lyle W. Dorsett

Surprised by Joy/ The Four Loves
Houghton Mifflin

Two candid and intensely intimate books from one of the most influential Christian apologists of the twentieth century.

Out of My Bone

The Letters of Joy Davidman *Wm. B. Eerdmans Publishing*

A captivating collection of letters offers rare personal insight into the life of C. S. Lewis's wife, an accomplished writer in her own right, revealing her curious mind and chronicling her intellectual journey, from secular Judaism to Christianity; her struggles in reconciling her career goals with family life; and her confrontation with cancer, which eventually took her life.

Surprised by Laughter

The Comic World of C.S. Lewis

Thomas Nelson Inc

Surprised by Laughter looks at the career and writings of C. S. Lewis and discovers a man whose life and beliefs were sustained by joy and humor. All of his life, C. S. Lewis possessed a spirit of individuality. An atheist from childhood, he became a Christian as an adult and eventually knew international acclaim as a respected theologian. He was known worldwide for his works of fiction, especially the Chronicles of Narnia; and for his books on life and faith, including Mere Christianity, A Grief Observed, and Surprised by Joy. But perhaps the most visible difference in his life was his abiding sense of humor. It was through

this humor that he often reached his readers and listeners, allowing him to effectively touch so many lives. Terry Lindvall takes an in-depth look at Lewis's joyful approach toward living, dividing his study of C. S. Lewis's wit into the four origins of laughter in Uncle Screwtape's eleventh letter to a junior devil in Lewis's The Screwtape Letters: joy, fun, the joke proper, and flippancy. Lindvall writes, "One bright and compelling feature we can see, sparking in his sunlight and dancing in his moonlight, is laughter. Yet it is not too large to see at once because it inhabited all Lewis was and did." Surprised by Laughter reveals a Lewis who enjoyed the gift of laughter, and who willingly shared that gift with others in order to spread his faith.

Joy

Poet, Seeker, and the Woman Who Captivated C. S. Lewis *HMH*

“A lush Narnia tale for grownups”: The first comprehensive biography of the rebel thinker who married C. S. Lewis (Megan Marshall, Pulitzer Prize winner). If Joy Davidman is known at all, it’s as the wife of C. S. Lewis, author of *The Chronicles of Narnia*. On her own, she was a poet and radical, a contributor to the communist journal *New Masses*, and an active member of New York literary circles of the 1930s and ’40s. Growing up in a family of Jewish immigrants in the Bronx, she became an atheist, then a practitioner of Dianetics, and finally a Christian convert after experiencing a moment of transcendent grace. She was

also a mother, a novelist, a screenwriter, and an intelligent, difficult, and determined woman. In 1952 she set off for England to pursue C. S. Lewis, the man she considered her spiritual guide and her intellectual mentor. Out of a deep friendship grounded in faith, poetry, and a passion for writing grew a timeless love story, and an unforgettable marriage of equals—one that would be immortalized in the film *Shadowlands* and Lewis’s memoir, *A Grief Observed*. “Plumbing the depths of unpublished documents, Santamaria reveals the vision and writing of a young woman whose coming of age in the turbulent thirties is both distinctive and emblematic of her time” (Susan Hertog, author of *Anne Morrow Lindbergh: Her Life*). Finally, Joy Davidman is brought

out of her husband's shadow to secure a place in literary history that is both a long-time coming and well-deserved. "This book gives Davidman her life back. . . . Ms. Santamaria succeeds in demythologizing Davidman's story." —The Wall Street Journal "Compelling . . . clear, unsentimental." — The New York Times Book Review

The Cambridge Companion to C. S. Lewis *Cambridge University Press*

A comprehensive 2010 single-volume study surveying C. S. Lewis's career as an academic, Christian thinker, and creative writer.

Joyful Christian *Simon and Schuster*

More than one hundred selections from the distinguished theologian's writings

covering such topics as liturgy, prayer, pain, vices, virtues, other religions, and homosexuality

The Beloved Works of C.S. Lewis

The Beloved Works of C.S. Lewis includes *Surprised By Joy*, *Reflections on the Psalms*, *The Four Loves*, and *The Business of Heaven*.

Jesus Under Fire

Modern Scholarship Reinvents the Historical Jesus *Zondervan*

Who is Jesus? What did he do? What did he say? -Are the traditional answer to these questions still to be trusted? - Did the early church and tradition "Christianize" Jesus? - Was Christianity built on clever conceptions of the

church, or on the character and actions of an actual person? These and similar questions have come under scrutiny by a forum of biblical scholars called the Jesus Seminar. Their conclusions have been widely publicized in magazines such as Time and Newsweek. Jesus Under Fire challenges the methodology and findings of the Jesus Seminar, which generally clash with the biblical records. It examines the authenticity of the words, actions, miracles, and resurrection of Jesus, and presents compelling evidence for the traditional biblical teachings. Combining accessibility with scholarly depth, Jesus Under Fire helps readers judge for themselves whether the Jesus of the Bible is the Jesus of history, and whether the gospels' claim is valid that he is the only way to God.

Surprised by Hope

Rethinking Heaven, the Resurrection, and the Mission of the Church *Zondervan*

For years Christians have been asking, "If you died tonight, do you know where you would go?" It turns out that many believers have been giving the wrong answer. It is not heaven. Award-winning author N. T. Wright outlines the present confusion about a Christian's future hope and shows how it is deeply intertwined with how we live today. Wright, who is one of today's premier Bible scholars, asserts that Christianity's most distinctive idea is bodily resurrection. He provides a magisterial defense for a literal resurrection of Jesus and shows how this became the cornerstone for the

Christian community's hope in the bodily resurrection of all people at the end of the age. Wright then explores our expectation of "new heavens and a new earth," revealing what happens to the dead until then and what will happen with the "second coming" of Jesus. For many, including many Christians, all this will come as a great surprise. Wright convincingly argues that what we believe about life after death directly affects what we believe about life before death. For if God intends to renew the whole creation—and if this has already begun in Jesus's resurrection—the church cannot stop at "saving souls" but must anticipate the eventual renewal by working for God's kingdom in the wider world, bringing healing and hope in the present life. Lively and accessible, this

book will surprise and excite all who are interested in the meaning of life, not only after death but before it.

C.S. Lewis

A Biography *W. W. Norton & Company*
Provides a documented portrait of the well-known author.

Mere Christianity/Screwtape Letters - Collector Box *HarperOne*

A gift set containing C. S. Lewis's most popular works -- Mere Christianity and The Screwtape Letters.

The Most Reluctant Convert

C. S. Lewis's Journey to Faith *Wipf and Stock Publishers*

In his teens, a young man wrote, “I believe in no religion. There is absolutely no proof for any of them.” After serving in the trenches of WW1, the same young man said, “I never sank so low as to pray.” To a religious friend, he wrote impatiently, “You can’t start with God. I don’t accept God!” This young man was C. S. Lewis, the “foul-mouthed atheist” who would become one of the most eloquent Christian writers of the twentieth century. David C. Downing offers a unique look at Lewis’s personal journey to faith and the profound influence it had on his life as a writer and eventual follower of Christ. This is the first book to focus on the period from Lewis’s childhood to his early thirties, a tumultuous journey of spiritual and intellectual exploration. It was not

despite this journey but precisely because of it that Lewis understood the search for life’s meaning so well.

The Intellectual World of C. S. Lewis

John Wiley & Sons

Marking the 50th anniversary of Lewis’ death, *The Intellectual World of C. S. Lewis* sees leading Christian thinker Alister McGrath offering a fresh approach to understanding the key themes at the centre of Lewis’ theological work and intellectual development. Brings together a collection of original essays exploring important themes within Lewis’ work, offering new connections and insights into his theology. Throws new light on subjects including Lewis’ intellectual development, the uses of images in literature and theology, the

place of myth in modern thought, the role of the imagination in making sense of the world, the celebrated 'argument from desire', and Lewis' place as an Anglican thinker and a Christian theologian. Written by Alister McGrath, one of the world's leading Christian thinkers and authors; this exceptional pairing of McGrath and Lewis brings together the work of two outstanding theologians in one volume

Mary, Called Magdalene *Penguin*

The New York Times bestselling author of *The Splendor Before the Dark* reveals the untold story of Mary Magdalene—a disciple of Jesus Christ and the most mysterious woman in the Bible. Was Mary Magdalene a prostitute, a female divinity figure, a church leader, or all of

those? Biblical references to her are tantalizingly brief, but we do know that she was the first person to whom the risen Christ appeared—and the one commissioned to tell others the good news, earning her the ancient honorific, “Apostle to the Apostles.” Today, Mary continues to spark controversy, curiosity, and veneration. In a vivid re-creation of Mary Magdalene's life story, Margaret George convincingly captures this renowned woman's voice as she moves from girlhood to womanhood, becomes part of the circle of disciples, and comes to grips with the divine. While grounded in biblical scholarship and secular research, *Mary, Called Magdalene* ultimately transcends both history and fiction to become a “diary of a soul.”

Grief Observed *Zondervan*

Written after his wife's tragic death as a way of surviving the "mad midnight moment," *A Grief Observed* is C.S. Lewis's honest reflection on the fundamental issues of life, death, and faith in the midst of loss. This work contains his concise, genuine reflections on that period: "Nothing will shake a man -- or at any rate a man like me -- out of his merely verbal thinking and his merely notional beliefs. He has to be knocked silly before he comes to his senses. Only torture will bring out the truth. Only under torture does he discover it himself." This is a beautiful and unflinchingly honest record of how even a stalwart believer can lose all sense of meaning in the universe, and how he can gradually regain his

bearings.

A Year with C. S. Lewis**Daily Readings from His Classic Works** *Harper Collins*

The classic *A Year with C.S. Lewis* is an intimate day-to-day companion by C.S. Lewis, the most important Christian writer of the 20th century. The daily meditations have been culled from Lewis' celebrated signature classics: *Mere Christianity*, *The Screwtape Letters*, *The Great Divorce*, *The Problem of Pain*, *Miracles*, and *A Grief Observed*, as well as from the distinguished works *The Weight of Glory* and *The Abolition of Man*. Ruminating on such themes as the nature of love, the existence of miracles, overcoming a devastating loss, and

discovering a profound Christian faith, *A Year with C.S. Lewis* offers unflinchingly honest insight for each day of the year.

Becoming Mrs. Lewis

The Improbable Love Story of Joy Davidman and C. S. Lewis *Thomas Nelson*

Now a USA TODAY and Publishers Weekly bestseller! Meet the brilliant writer, fiercely independent mother, and passionate woman who captured the heart of C.S. Lewis and inspired the books that still enchant and change us today. When poet and writer Joy Davidman began writing letters to C. S. Lewis—known as Jack—she was looking for spiritual answers, not love. Love, after all, wasn't holding together her

crumbling marriage. Everything about New Yorker Joy seemed ill-matched for an Oxford professor and the beloved writer of *The Chronicles of Narnia*, yet their minds bonded over their letters. Embarking on the adventure of her life, Joy traveled from America to England and back again, facing heartbreak and poverty, discovering friendship and faith, and against all odds, found a love that even the threat of death couldn't destroy. In this masterful exploration of one of the greatest love stories of modern times, we meet a brilliant writer, a fiercely independent mother, and a passionate woman who changed the life of this respected author and inspired books that still enchant us and change us. Joy lived at a time when women weren't meant to have a voice—and yet

her love for Jack gave them both voices they didn't know they had. At once a fascinating historical novel and a glimpse into a writer's life, *Becoming Mrs. Lewis* is above all a love story—a love of literature and ideas and a love between a husband and wife that, in the end, was not impossible at all. Praise for *Becoming Mrs. Lewis*: “*Becoming Mrs. Lewis* deftly explores the life and work of Joy Davidman, a bold and brilliant woman who is long overdue her time in the spotlight. Carefully researched. Beautifully written. Deeply romantic. Fiercely intelligent. It is both a meditation on marriage and a whopping grand adventure. Touching, tender, and triumphant, this is a love story for the ages.” —Ariel Lawhon, New York Times bestselling author of *I Was Anastasia*

“Patti Callahan Henry breathes wondrous fresh life into one of the greatest literary love stories of all time . . . The result is a deeply moving story about love and loss that is transformative and magical.” —Pam Jenoff, New York Times bestselling author of *The Orphan's Tale* “It's novel. And it's a very good one. . . . extraordinarily accurate. . . . more accurate than most biographical essays that have been written about my mother.” —Douglas Gresham, son of Joy Davidman, wife of C.S. Lewis This expanded edition includes: Map of Oxford Expanded discussion guide with 20+ questions for book clubs Timeline of Jack's and Joy's Lives Joy's (imagined) letter to Jack 10 Things You May Not Know About Joy Davidman and C. S. Lewis's Love Story Behind-the-scenes

essay: Oxford—The City

The Everlasting Man

In *The Everlasting Man*, G. K. Chesterton paints the full panorama of human history in light of Christian tradition--Amazon.

All My Road Before Me

The Diary of C. S. Lewis, 1922-1927 *HarperCollins*

A repackaged edition of the revered author's diary from his early twenties—a thought-provoking work that reveals his earliest thinking about war, atheism, religion, and humanity. While serving his country in the Great War, C. S. Lewis' the great British writer, scholar, lay theologian, broadcaster, and Christian

apologist—made a pact with a close friend and fellow soldier. If one of them died, the survivor would take care of his family—a promise Lewis honored. Developing a deep friendship with his fallen friend's mother, Jane King Moore, Lewis moved into the Moore household after the war. Returning to Oxford, the twenty-three-year old Lewis—then a staunch atheist—struggled to adapt to life in post-war England. Eager to help the tormented young man, Jane encouraged him keep a diary of his day-to-day life. Those reflections are collected in this illuminating journal. Covering five remarkable years in Lewis's life, *All My Road Before Me* charts the inspirations and intellectual and spiritual development of a man whose theology and writing—including

Mere Christianity, The Screwtape Letters, The Great Divorce, The Chronicles of Narnia, and many other beloved classics—has had immense influence on the Christian world.

C. S. Lewis' Little Book of Wisdom

Meditations on Faith, Life, Love, and Literature *Hampton Roads Publishing*
Novelist, poet, critic, lay theologian, and best-selling author of the 'Narnia' series, C. S. Lewis' works have become timeless classics for adults and children around the world. Here in one concise volume is the essence of his thought on subjects ranging from love and faith to ethics and morality and myth and literature that will throw open the windows of the soul and provide readers with bite-sized nuggets

of wisdom and inspiration from one of the best-loved writers of the 20th century. This lovely little gift book will provide sustenance, wisdom, and hope for both believers and seekers. And, most importantly, it will provide an entry point for those unfamiliar with Lewis that will make them want to explore his fiction and nonfiction works. Selections from C.S. Lewis' Little Book of Wisdom: "If God had granted all the silly prayers I've made in my life, where should I be now?" "Surely arrested development consists not in refusing to lose old things, but in failing to add new things..." "Do not dare not to dare." "We are mirrors whose brightness is wholly derived from the sun that shines upon us." "I didn't go to religion to make me happy. I always knew a bottle of Port

would do that. If you want a religion to make you feel really comfortable, I certainly don't recommend Christianity."

The Poems of William Wordsworth

Smoke on the Mountain

An Interpretation of the Ten Commandments *Westminster John Knox Press*

The Christian reader is encouraged to obey the Commandments with a positive attitude rather than fearfulness

Ask a Manager

How to Navigate Clueless Colleagues, Lunch-Stealing Bosses, and the Rest of Your Life at Work

Ballantine Books

From the creator of the popular website Ask a Manager and New York's work-advice columnist comes a witty, practical guide to 200 difficult professional conversations—featuring all-new advice! There's a reason Alison Green has been called "the Dear Abby of the work world." Ten years as a workplace-advice columnist have taught her that people avoid awkward conversations in the office because they simply don't know what to say. Thankfully, Green does—and in this incredibly helpful book, she tackles the tough discussions you may need to have during your career. You'll learn what to say when • coworkers push their work on you—then take credit for it • you accidentally trash-talk someone in an email then hit "reply

all" • you're being micromanaged—or not being managed at all • you catch a colleague in a lie • your boss seems unhappy with your work • your cubemate's loud speakerphone is making you homicidal • you got drunk at the holiday party Praise for Ask a Manager "A must-read for anyone who works . . . [Alison Green's] advice boils down to the idea that you should be professional (even when others are not) and that communicating in a straightforward manner with candor and kindness will get you far, no matter where you work."—Booklist (starred review) "The author's friendly, warm, no-nonsense writing is a pleasure to read, and her advice can be widely applied to relationships in all areas of readers' lives. Ideal for anyone new to the job

market or new to management, or anyone hoping to improve their work experience."—Library Journal (starred review) "I am a huge fan of Alison Green's Ask a Manager column. This book is even better. It teaches us how to deal with many of the most vexing big and little problems in our workplaces—and to do so with grace, confidence, and a sense of humor."—Robert Sutton, Stanford professor and author of The No Asshole Rule and The Asshole Survival Guide "Ask a Manager is the ultimate playbook for navigating the traditional workforce in a diplomatic but firm way."—Erin Lowry, author of Broke Millennial: Stop Scraping By and Get Your Financial Life Together

Boxen

The Imaginary World of the Young C.S. Lewis *Harcourt*

A collection of maps, histories, sketches, and stories created by C.S. Lewis as a child to describe his private fantasy world, known as Animal-Land or Boxen. A scholarly introduction explains the stories in the context of Lewis's life.

The C. S. Lewis Collection: Biographical Works

The Eight Titles Include: Surprised by Joy; A Grief Observed; All My Road Before Me; Letters to an American Lady; Letters of C. S. Lewis; and The Collected Letters of C. S. Lewis Volumes I, II, and III

HarperCollins

With his trademark warmth and wit, Lewis shares his biographical and personal faith journey with readers. Includes: • Surprised by Joy • A Grief Observed • All My Road Before Me • Letters to an American Lady • Letters of C. S. Lewis • The Collected Letters of C. S. Lewis, Volume I • The Collected Letters of C. S. Lewis, Volume II • The Collected Letters of C. S. Lewis, Volume III

Studies in Words *Good Press*

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A collection by a celebrated author candidly discusses the human issues of faith, joy, and love, and includes *Surprised by Joy*, *Reflections on the Psalms*, *The Four Loves*, and *The Business of Heaven*.

The Reading Life

The Joy of Seeing New Worlds Through Others' Eyes *HarperCollins*

The revered teacher and bestselling author of such classic Christian works as *Mere Christianity* and *The Screwtape Letters* reflects on the power, importance, and joy of a life dedicated to reading books in this delightful collection drawn from his wide body of writings. More than fifty years after his death, revered intellectual and teacher C. S. Lewis continues to speak to readers, thanks not only to his intellectual insights on Christianity but also his wondrous creative works and deep reflections on the literature that influenced his life. Beloved for his instructive novels including *The Screwtape Letters*, *The Great Divorce*, and *The Chronicles of Narnia* as well as

his philosophical books that explored theology and Christian life, Lewis was a life-long writer and book lover. Cultivated from his many essays, articles, and letters, as well as his classic works, *How to Read* provides guidance and reflections on the love and enjoyment of books. Engaging and enlightening, this well-rounded collection includes Lewis' reflections on science fiction, why children's literature is for readers of all ages, and why we should read two old books for every new one. A window into the thoughts of one of the greatest public intellectuals of our time, this collection reveals not only why Lewis loved the written word, but what it means to learn through literature from one of our wisest and most enduring teachers.

***Mere Christianity* HarperCollins UK**

This hugely popular international bestseller is being repackaged and rebranded as the leading title in the C.S. Lewis Signature Classics range. One of the most popular and beloved introductions to the concept of faith ever written, *Mere Christianity* has sold millions of copies worldwide. The timeless questions of spirituality which Lewis raises will have resonance with a new generation of readers. *Mere Christianity* brings together Lewis's legendary broadcast talks of the war years, talks in which he set out simply to 'explain and defend the belief that has been common to nearly all Christians at all times.' Rejecting the boundaries that divide Christianity's many denominations, C.S. Lewis provides an

unequaled opportunity for believers and nonbelievers alike to hear a powerful, rational case for the Christian faith. This scintillating collection confirms C.S. Lewis's reputation as one of the leading writers and thinkers of our age.

A Naked Tree

Love Sonnets to C. S. Lewis and Other Poems *Wm. B. Eerdmans Publishing*

Although best known as C. S. Lewis's wife, Joy Davidman was a gifted writer herself who produced, among other things, two novels and an award-winning volume of poetry in her short lifetime. The first comprehensive collection of Davidman's poetry, *A Naked Tree* includes the poems that originally

appeared in her *Letter to a Comrade* (1938), forty other published poems, and more than two hundred previously unpublished poems that came to light in a remarkable 2010 discovery. Of special interest is Davidman's sequence of forty-five love sonnets to C. S. Lewis, which offer stunning evidence of her spiritual struggles with regard to her feelings for Lewis, her sense of God's working in her lonely life, and her mounting frustration with Lewis for keeping her at arm's length emotionally and physically. Readers of these Davidman poems -- arranged chronologically by Don King -- will discover three recurring, overarching themes: God, death, and immortality; politics, including capitalism and communism; and (the most by far) romantic, erotic love. This volume marks

Joy Davidman as a figure to be reckoned with in the landscape of twentieth-century American poetry.

Surprised by Joy

The Shape of My Early Life

In this book Lewis tells of his search for joy, a spiritual journey that led him from the Christianity of his early youth into atheism and then back to Christianity.

C.S. Lewis

Essay Collection and Other Short Pieces *Fount*

This is an extensive collection of short essays and other pieces by C.S. Lewis brought together in one volume for the first time. As well as his many books,

letters and poems, C.S. Lewis also wrote a great number of essays and shorter pieces on various subjects. He wrote extensively on Christian theology and the defence of faith, but also on various ethical issues and on the nature of literature and story-telling. In the ESSAY COLLECTION we find a treasure trove of Lewis's reflections on diverse topics.

Did Jesus Rise From the Dead

Impact 360 Institute

Seems reasonable...perhaps Jesus was comatose. Or perhaps his body was stolen. Or maybe the women arrived at the wrong tomb...they were grieving, after all; it would have been an honest mistake. There are any number of explanations. Dr. William Lane Craig

uses well-documented historical facts to explore the evidence that surrounds the days following Jesus' crucifixion. Without assuming "the Bible says so," *Did Jesus Rise from the Dead* presents positive religious, cultural, and historical evidence for the reality of the resurrection while breaking down the six most common hypotheses used to explain the unusual events that unfolded from the moment Christ breathed his last. Thoroughly researched, yet deftly digestible, *Did Jesus Rise from the Dead*

belongs in the library of any apologist, skeptic, or seeker.

Reflections on the Psalms *Houghton Mifflin Harcourt*

The Psalms were written as songs and should be read more in the spirit of lyric poetry than as doctrinal treatises or sermons. C.S. Lewis then shares, with his characteristic grace and lucidity, reflections on both the form and the meaning of select passages.