



CONTEXT ESSAY INFORMATION

For copyright reasons, the context essays are not printed in the Walking to Wisdom Literature Guides. Most of the books in which the essays are found are available for purchase on Amazon (links have been provided for each of those books). For the essays that are not available in book form, we have provided links to online sources.

Please note that there are many instances throughout the Walking to Wisdom Literature Guides in which we direct you to read the same essay again. This is not an oversight. Lewis famously said that there are no readers, only re-readers, and we agree with him. These essays, by all three authors, are essential to the Great Ideas themes these authors have threaded through all their work. You will find that the ideas will begin to sink in as you read them again. Depending on your teacher's wishes, when you are re-reading the essays, you may use your previous summary of the essay or re-summarize it out of the depth of understanding you have gained from the second reading.

The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe

"On Forgiveness" (from *The Weight of Glory*, Essay 8):

<https://amzn.to/3czmeE6>

"The Great Sin" (from *Mere Christianity*, Book III, Chapter 8):

<https://amzn.to/2ImL1z9>

"Charity" (from *Mere Christianity*, Book III, Chapter 9):

<https://amzn.to/2ImL1z9>

"The Weight of Glory" (from *The Weight of Glory*, Essay 1):

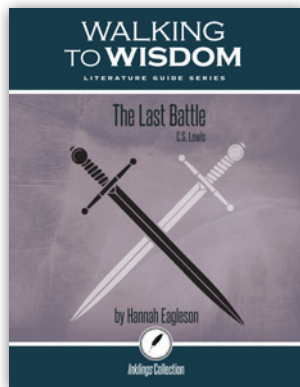
<https://amzn.to/3czmeE6>

"The Everyday C.S. Lewis," Gilbert Meilaender:

<https://www.firstthings.com/article/1998/08/the-everyday-cs-lewis>

"Sometimes Fairy Stories May Say Best What's to Be Said" (from *On Stories: And Other Essays on Literature*, Essay 5):

<https://amzn.to/2KpZXt7>



The Last Battle

"The Law of Human Nature" (from *Mere Christianity*, Book I, Chapter 1):

<https://amzn.to/2ImL1z9>

"Is Christianity Hard or Easy?" (from *Mere Christianity*, Book IV, Chapter 8):

<https://amzn.to/2ImL1z9>

"Hope" (from *Mere Christianity*, Book III, Chapter 10):

<https://amzn.to/2ImL1z9>

"Faith" (from *Mere Christianity*, Book III, Chapter 11):

<https://amzn.to/2ImL1z9>

"The Weight of Glory" (from *The Weight of Glory*, Essay 1):

<https://amzn.to/3czmeE6>

"Time Beyond Time" (from *Mere Christianity*, Book IV, Chapter 3):

<https://amzn.to/2ImL1z9>

The Screwtape Letters

“Charity” (from *Mere Christianity*, Book III, Chapter 9):

<https://amzn.to/2ImL1z9>

“The Great Sin” (from *Mere Christianity*, Book III, Chapter 8):

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“Faith” (from *Mere Christianity*, Book III, Chapter 11):

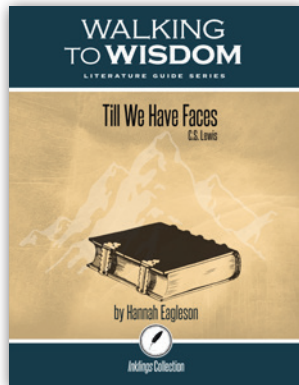
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“The Invasion” (from *Mere Christianity*, Book II, Chapter 2):

<https://amzn.to/2ImL1z9>

“Time and Beyond Time” (from *Mere Christianity*, Book IV, Chapter 3):

<https://amzn.to/2ImL1z9>



Till We Have Faces

“The Weight of Glory” (from *The Weight of Glory*, Essay 1):

<https://amzn.to/3czmeE6>

“We Have Cause to Be Uneasy” (from *Mere Christianity*, Book I, Chapter 5):

<https://amzn.to/2ImL1z9>

“The Great Sin” (from *Mere Christianity*, Book III, Chapter 8):

<https://amzn.to/2ImL1z9>

“Charity” (from *Mere Christianity*, Book III, Chapter 9):

<https://amzn.to/2ImL1z9>

“Is Theology Poetry?” (from *The Weight of Glory*, Essay 5):

<https://amzn.to/3czmeE6>

The Man Born to Be King

“The Dogma is the Drama” (from *Letters to a Diminished Church*, Chapter 3):

<https://amzn.to/2k0jIfF>

“The Greatest Drama Ever Staged” (from *Letters to a Diminished Church*, Chapter 1):

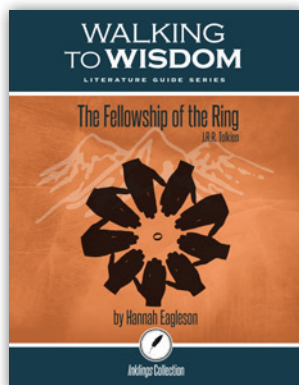
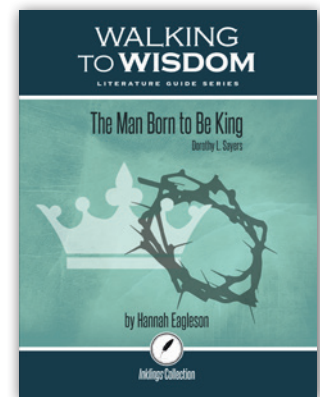
<https://amzn.to/2k0jIfF>

“The Triumph of Easter” (from *Letters to a Diminished Church*, Chapter 10):

<https://amzn.to/2k0jIfF>

Introduction to *The Man Born to Be King* (from the book *The Man Born to Be King*):

<https://classicalacademicpress.com/product/the-man-born-to-be-king/>



The Fellowship of the Ring

“Sometimes Fairy Stories May Say Best What’s to Be Said” (from *On Stories: And Other Essays on Literature*, Essay 5):

<https://amzn.to/2KpZXt7>

“The Hobbit” (from *On Stories: And Other Essays on Literature*):

<https://amzn.to/2KpZXt7>

“Tolkien’s *The Lord of the Rings*” (from *On Stories: And Other Essays on Literature*):

<https://amzn.to/2KpZXt7>

An audio recording of this essay is also available here:

<http://classicalsubjects.com/resources/CSLewis-on-Tolkienes-The-Lord-of-the-Rings.mp3>

The Two Towers

“The Weight of Glory” (from *The Weight of Glory*, Essay 1):

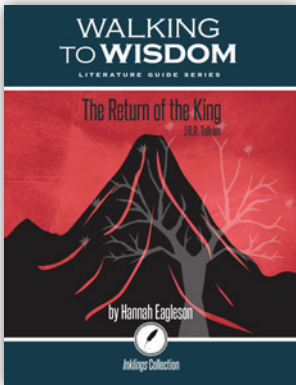
<https://amzn.to/3czmeE6>

“Charity” (from *Mere Christianity*, Book III, Chapter 9):

<https://amzn.to/2ImL1z9>

“Theology in Stories,” Gilbert Meilaender:

http://wordandworld.luthersem.edu/content/pdfs/1-3_experience/1-3_meilaender.pdf



The Return of the King

“On Fairy-Stories” (from *Tree and Leaf*):

<https://www.excellence-in-literature.com/wp-content/uploads/2013/10/fairystoriesbytolkien.pdf>

Alternatively, if you feel that your younger students would find the “On Fairy-Stories” essay too difficult, you could choose from some of the essay choices in *The Lord of the Rings* literature guides, such as:

From *The Fellowship of the Ring*

“Sometimes Fairy Stories May Say Best What’s to Be Said” (from *On Stories: And Other Essays on Literature*, Essay 5):

<http://amzn.to/1VUMcp9>

“The Hobbit” (from *On Stories: And Other Essays on Literature*):

<http://amzn.to/1VUMcp9>

“Tolkien’s *The Lord of the Rings*” (from *On Stories: And Other Essays on Literature*):

<http://amzn.to/1VUMcp9>

An audio recording of this essay is also available here:

<https://cdn.shopify.com/s/files/1/0264/3014/4583/files/CSLewis-on-Tolkiens-The-Lord-of-the-Rings.mp3>

The following is a link for all the Inklings guides:

<https://classicalacademicpress.com/series/walking-to-wisdom-literature-guides/>

And from *The Two Towers*

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<https://amzn.to/3czmeE6>

“Charity” (from *Mere Christianity*, Book III, Chapter 9):

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