

“Mere Christianity” by C.S. Lewis Book 3 – Christians Behaviour, Chapter 3: “Social Morality”

Jesus did not teach a new morality, but rather worked to bring us back to the existing morality.

Christianity does not give us a road map to live this life but rather live for eternity.

It is the job of the laymen to set a life example and educate others.

A Christian Life:

1. If one does not work, one does not eat.
2. One's work is to produce something good.
3. No silly luxuries and promotion of luxuries.
4. No putting on of airs.
5. Obedience
6. Joyful with the idea of worry as being wrong
7. Courtesy
8. No busybodies

Most people like different portions of this lifestyle and pick and choose what they want.

What would living in this lifestyle be like?

Greeks, Jews, and Christian teachers taught – Do not lend money at interest (usury). - discuss

Charity – Give to the poor, those that really need help. The poor will always be with us.
Give so that it hampers you.

We must love God in order to love each other and live a Christian lifestyle.

Chapter 4: “Morality and Psychoanalysis”

2 Things to Do

1. Work on becoming a Christian individual.
2. Work on creating a Christian society.

How does Christianity relate with psychoanalysis?

Psychoanalysis undertakes to remove the abnormal feelings, to create a healthy mind for choices.
Morality is concerned with the actual acts of choice themselves.
When a man dies, his sick mind dies and his true self and soul lives forever.

Life choices either bring you in line and closer with God or take you away from God and more in line with evil.

John 3: 20 – “For everyone who does evil hates the Light, and does not come to the Light for fear that his deeds will be exposed.”