### <u>His early life</u>

### <u>His life goal</u>

"it is the experience of an unsatisfied desire which is itself more desirable than any other satisfaction".

"once you have tasted it you would never exchange it for all the pleasures of this world."

#### **His conversion process**

"the Trinity term of 1929 I gave in and admitted that God was God".

"probably as once of the most dejected and reluctant converts in all of England."

Oct 1 1931, "I have passed on from believing in God to definitely believing in Christ – in Christianity".

"I have been equally wrong in supposing that I desired Joy itself. Joy itself, considered simply as an event in my own mind, turned out to be of no value at all. All the value lay in that of which Joy was the desiring. And that object, quite clearly, was no state of my own mind or body at all."

## His commitment to Absolute truth

### Learning from CS Lewis

a) Joy

b) Objective truth

c) Gospel focus

Other things....

- Exposes 'Chronological Snobbery'
- He exposes the problem of self-absorption (focussing on yourself)
- He painfully exposes what our true self is like
- His uses stories to awaken wonder and curiosity

Faith in Action – CS Lewis

- Lewis drives home the fact that we are not mere mortals
- a sense of duty toward God needs a delight in God to drive it.

# **Dangers with Lewis**

Lewis was not a theologian.