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My view of Mere Christianity

Lewis's entire view of christianity can be summarized into one quote. "the Christian thinks any good he does comes from the Christ Life inside him. He does not think God will love us because we are good, but that God will make us good because He loves us; just as the roof of a greenhouse does not attract the sun because it is bright, but becomes bright because the sun shines on it." (Mere Christianity 36). This sums up how the christians life is. If a christian gets saved and thinks like this everything that Lewis will be natural and all add up. We should act like Christ did on earth .

Lewis's view of morality is that everyone is born with some sense of morality for example "able to point to some one impulse inside us which was always what we call "good," always in agreement with the rule of right behavior" (Mere Christianity 14). The one thing the author missed out is that there are a lot of factors that can determine morality like circumstances and genetics. Take two people, the first one is given everything they want while the second one has to work for everything. The first one will act like a spoiled brat and the second one will be grateful for everything. On the other hand genetics can affect a lot more than realized. Person one has parents that have anger issues while person two has calm parents and both people have the same circumstances. Person one has anger issues while person two is calm. Is it fair for one person to have the wrong circumstances and genetics and go to hell forever. While someone with good circumstances and genetics go to heaven. Remember to keep in mind that women are more likely to be christians than men and wealth nations have less christians than third world countries.

Mere Christianity is perfect for someone who doesn't know Christ to a complete Christian. Lewis has an interesting view on attracting non-Christians to his book. In the beginning of his book, he doesn't talk about Christianity, he focuses on all the controversial things about morality like how everyone has a morality why society views on morality. He draws everyone in to keep reading his book. While the reader is interested, he talks about why the reader should follow Christ and why every religion including evolution is wrong. In the last part of the book he goes into great depth to explain how a Christian should act and think.

Works Cited

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