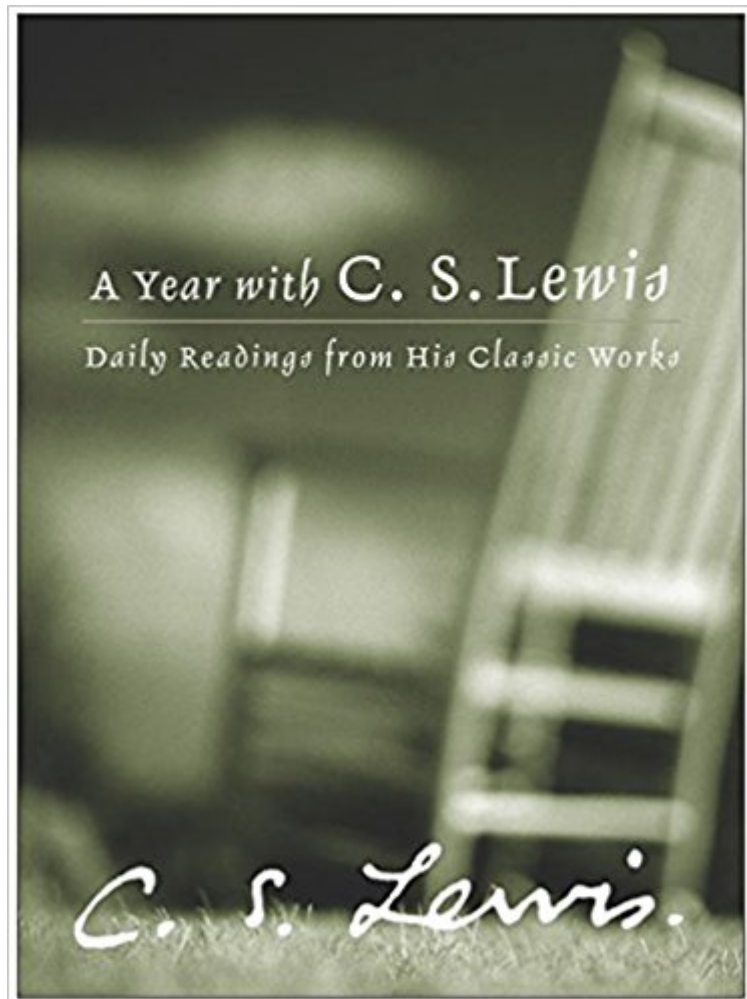


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A Year With C. S. Lewis: Daily Readings From His Classic Works



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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's 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.

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Customer Reviews

A C. S. Lewis devotee knows that Lewis died the same day as President Kennedy. Though it's not mentioned in the jacket copy --- and the book includes no introduction --- that forty-year commemoration might have been the catalyst for this new compilation of 366 daily readings drawn from what the publisher calls his (capital-letter) Signature Classics: *MERE CHRISTIANITY*, *THE SCREWTAPE LETTERS*, *THE GREAT DIVORCE*, *THE PROBLEM OF PAIN*, *MIRACLES* and *A GRIEF OBSERVED*, plus (apparently perceived in some other category) *THE WEIGHT OF GLORY* and *THE ABOLITION OF MAN*. Drawing on this bank, this book provides food for thought more than for devotion. Readers looking for a devotional aid will need to make a conscious leap to apply the material to a personal line of prayer. And yet the presented theological, philosophical and sociological points, all focused by Lewis's Christian worldview, do serve to draw the reader to a

keener awareness of God's presence, character and role; his being, creations and relationships. The one-page selections have been deftly arranged by Patricia Klein, who in times past edited the annual Cahill calendars featuring quotable lines from Lewis and his Inklings cohorts. She has given each reading a clear but not clever title that orients readers going into a selection and grounds them coming out: "Love the Sinner . . .", "The Real Test", "Nice Is Not Enough", and "How Marriage Reconciles." Her selections are well organized. Each stands on its own, but many, usually from one source, for four or five days at a time thematically build on one another. We spend a week in March, for example, noting the pitfalls of pride (from MERE CHRISTIANITY) before being introduced to "Humility 101" (from THE SCREWTAPE LETTERS).

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