

**Summer Reading
Entering Twelfth Grade**

MERE CHRISTIANITY, by C.S. Lewis

From the Foreword:

“Lewis seeks in *Mere Christianity* to help us see religion with fresh eyes, as a radical faith whose adherents might be likened to an underground group gathering in a war zone, a place where evil seems to have the upper hand, to hear messages of hope from the other side.”
Kathleen Norris

Mere Christianity is a short book (175 pages) about basic Christianity. It is designed to help the reader think about the Christian faith in very practical terms.

Your Assignment

Read the book, including the preface and foreword. Take notes as you read, paying particular attention to passages in the text that you find interesting, or about which you have questions. As you take notes, please give consideration to the following:

1. the general theme of the four books
2. definitions and terms with which you are unfamiliar**
3. a list of the key concepts of the book
4. your questions about the author’s propositions and conclusions

We will spend the first week of school discussing the major ideas presented in this book. Be prepared to participate fully in this discussion using the notes that you have taken. Your notes need not be lengthy, but they do need to be carefully thought through.

This book may be purchased at Books-A-Million, or online at BAM or Amazon.com.
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**I expect you to expand your vocabulary by looking up the definitions of words with which you are unfamiliar.