*The Screwtape Letters by C.S Lewis*

Theology Assignment

Choose 1 of the 31 letters OR “Screwtape proposes a Toast” from C.S. Lewis’ highly acclaimed literary work *The Screwtape Letters*.

Portray your choice of above in some way so that it can be more easily explained/understood by your classmates in your modern times. You can choose from the following options:

* Create a skit (presented live or in video form…maybe hard during COVID?) or one of the letters.
* Make an auditory track of one of the letters using cool voices to portray the characters (don’t know how this option will work for presenting in GoTo meeting…not sure about sharing sound?).
* Write a letter from a high ranking Angel in heaven who is training a junior angel (the divine opposite of CS Lewis’ writing…way less dark!).
* Write a play/script that would portray one of the letters (include all the things that a script would like characters including what actors would you cast as the characters, scene setting, props, movement on stage, etc.)
* Rewrite and then retell a letter using modern circumstances (ie: making reference to something that didn’t exist in 1942 when this was written, like social media or commonplace divorce, or commonplace children born out of wedlock). CS Lewis referred constantly to the war. What could you refer to instead?
* Draw a floor plan of Hell as you envision it while reading the letters (be detailed!)
* Sketch or describe your vision of the setting of Screwtape’s individual office in Hell. Include Screwtape himself and his attire while at work. (Again….detail!)
* Toadpipe is Screwtape’s secretary who completes the writing of Letter 22 (The Christian Life). Go to the file cabinet, retrieve Toadpipe’s application and resume, and summarize his career and why he got the job. Further, assume Toadpipe has now received a promotion….help Screwtape write a want ad to recruit a replacement for Toadpipe.
* some other brilliant idea you have?? Check with me first.

Be creative: What would the characters LOOK like (costumes?)? What would they sound like? What would the setting be? Will you use the same language terms? Will you portray the “Enemy” as well as the “Father Below” or just one of them?

You will present your assignment to the class over GoTo Meeting….**YOU** will be the presenter in the meeting, not me! So think about your assignment being in a form that you can present…power point, word document to share, scanned drawings, photos….?? You guys are way more tech savvy than me so you may have other ideas.

Your presentation should be about 5 minutes long and it will be marked as follows: 35 marks total

10 marks Creativity…you put some thought into this and make it great!

10 marks Accuracy…you clearly understand the literary tactic (diabolical versus divine strategies) that CS Lewis used in his writing of the

Screwtape Letters. You show what you have learned!

10 marks Your presentation is easy to watch and comprehend. Your peers are able to understand the points you are trying to get across….they see that you are clearly brilliant and that you have understood this complex piece of literature! (University level reading…no big deal)

5 marks Your presentation was ready when you were called on. You

were fully prepared and presented with confidence and grace.

You will have class time (at least a couple of classes) to work on this project and we will plan to present Weds April 29- Friday May 1

Have fun with this!