

**BOOK II - CHAPTER 4: The Perfect Penitent**

1. Lewis says it is obvious that Christians think the key point of Jesus and his time on earth was NOT that He was a great teacher.
  - a. Was Jesus a great teacher? \_\_\_\_\_
  - b. What was the key point, if not teaching?  
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2. "The central Christian belief is that Christ's death has somehow put us \_\_\_\_\_ with God and given us a \_\_\_\_\_."
3. "We believe that the death of Christ is just that point in history at which something absolutely \_\_\_\_\_ from \_\_\_\_\_ shows through into our own \_\_\_\_\_. ... --the \_\_\_\_\_, the \_\_\_\_\_, the thing from beyond \_\_\_\_\_, striking down into \_\_\_\_\_ like lightning."
4. "A man can accept what Christ has done without \_\_\_\_\_ how it works: indeed, he certainly would not \_\_\_\_\_ how it works until he has \_\_\_\_\_ it. We are told that Christ was killed for us, that His death has \_\_\_\_\_ out our \_\_\_\_\_, and that by dying He \_\_\_\_\_ death itself. That is the formula. That is \_\_\_\_\_. That is what has to be believed."
5. "... fallen man is not simply an \_\_\_\_\_ creature who needs \_\_\_\_\_: he is a \_\_\_\_\_ who must lay down his \_\_\_\_\_."
6. "Laying down your \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, saying you are \_\_\_\_\_, realising that you have been on the \_\_\_\_\_ track and getting ready to \_\_\_\_\_ life over again from the \_\_\_\_\_ floor— that is the \_\_\_\_\_ way out of our \_\_\_\_\_."
7. "This process of surrender— this movement full speed \_\_\_\_\_ — is what Christians call \_\_\_\_\_. Now \_\_\_\_\_ is no fun at all. ... It means \_\_\_\_\_ all the self-\_\_\_\_\_ and self-\_\_\_\_\_ that we have been \_\_\_\_\_ ourselves into for thousands of years. It means \_\_\_\_\_ part of yourself, undergoing a kind of \_\_\_\_\_."

8. "And here comes the catch. Only a \_\_\_\_\_ person \_\_\_\_\_ to repent: only a \_\_\_\_\_ person \_\_\_\_\_ repent perfectly. The \_\_\_\_\_ you are the more you \_\_\_\_\_ it and the \_\_\_\_\_ you can do it."
9. Lewis goes on to say that because of sin—the fall—"we now need God's help in order to do something which God, in His own nature, \_\_\_\_\_ at all—to \_\_\_\_\_, to \_\_\_\_\_, to \_\_\_\_\_, to \_\_\_\_\_."
10. "But supposing God became a man— suppose our human nature which can suffer and die was \_\_\_\_\_ with God's nature in one \_\_\_\_\_ — then that person \_\_\_\_\_ help us. He could \_\_\_\_\_ His \_\_\_\_\_, and \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_, because He was \_\_\_\_\_; and He could do it \_\_\_\_\_ because He was \_\_\_\_\_."
11. "You and I can go through this process only if God \_\_\_\_\_ it in us; but God can do it only if He \_\_\_\_\_ man. Our attempts at this dying will succeed only if we men \_\_\_\_\_ in God's \_\_\_\_\_, just as our thinking can succeed only because it is a \_\_\_\_\_ out of the ocean of His intelligence: ... "
12. " ... but we cannot \_\_\_\_\_ God's dying unless God \_\_\_\_\_; and He \_\_\_\_\_ die except by being a \_\_\_\_\_. That is the sense in which He \_\_\_\_\_ our \_\_\_\_\_, and \_\_\_\_\_ for us what He Himself need not \_\_\_\_\_ at all."
13. Why do you think Lewis titled this chapter, "The Perfect Penitent"?
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**BOOK II - CHAPTER 5: The Practical Conclusion**

1. "The \_\_\_\_\_ surrender and \_\_\_\_\_ were undergone by Christ: perfect because He was \_\_\_\_\_, surrender and \_\_\_\_\_ because He was \_\_\_\_\_."
2. Extra credit: What do you think Lewis means when he says God "arranged" the process by which we "acquired the old, ordinary kind of life ... a very curious process, involving pleasure, pain, and danger. A process you would never have guessed."?
  - a. \_\_\_\_\_  
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3. What are the three things that Lewis says "spread the Christ-life to us"? (Note that question 7 will ask what 'spread the Christ-life' means.)
  - a. \_\_\_\_\_
  - b. \_\_\_\_\_
  - c. \_\_\_\_\_
4. Extra credit: Does Lewis later contradict himself when he says, "Do not think I am setting up baptism and belief and the Holy Communion as things that will do instead of your own attempts to copy Christ."? Why or why not?
  - a. \_\_\_\_\_  
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5. [Non Christians] " ... hope, by being \_\_\_\_\_, to \_\_\_\_\_ God if there is one; or—if they think there is not—at least they hope to deserve approval from good men. But the Christian thinks any \_\_\_\_\_ he does comes from the Christ-life \_\_\_\_\_ him. "
6. "He [the Christian] does not think God will \_\_\_\_\_ us because we are good, but that God will make us good because He \_\_\_\_\_ us ... "

7. Extra credit: What do you think he means by, “the Christ–life” being spread to us?

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8. Lewis admits to having been bothered by the people who never heard the Gospel.  
How did he resolve this problem in his own mind?

a. \_\_\_\_\_  
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b. \_\_\_\_\_  
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9. Why does Lewis think God has not “landed in this enemy-occupied world” in force?

a. \_\_\_\_\_  
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10. Lewis closes chapter 5 of “Book 2” with this advice: “Now, today, this moment, is  
our chance to \_\_\_\_\_ the right side. God is \_\_\_\_\_ to give us  
that chance. It will \_\_\_\_\_ last forever. We must \_\_\_\_\_ it or leave it.”

*Closing thought: Prestonwood’s Jarrett Stephens, preaching on Heaven, says there are  
three big questions regarding Heaven. (No response required – just food for thought)*

- a. *Who will be there?*
- b. *Who will not be there?*
- c. *Who will be there because of me?*