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The path to faith, for Jack Lewis, was very different from the path to God. Although the Oxford tutor had found his way back to God, he was not a Christian.

In September 1931, Jack and his close friends J.R.R. Tolkien (a devout Catholic) and <u>Hugo Dyson</u> took a long walk among the turning leaves in Oxford. As they strolled along <u>Addison's Walk</u>, the two friends tried to convince Lewis to reconsider his position on Christianity.

The next day, finally extinguishing all remaining doubts, Jack became a Christian. It was a decision which had not come easily for him.

Because he reasoned his way back to Christian faith, C. S. Lewis intuitively understood the doubts of other skeptics. For that same reason, he is a perennial favorite of other intellectuals who have also <u>questioned</u> God's existence and the tenets of Christianity.

Because he had a gift for explaining difficult issues in a straightforward manner - using easy-to-understand language - C.S. Lewis is still quoted by pastors and religious scholars who cannot state the points better than the man who's been gone since 1963.

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