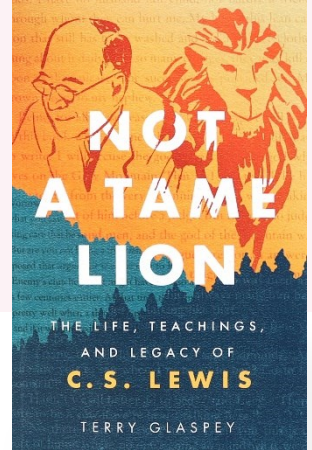




# PARTICIPANT GUIDE

## NOT A TAME LION BY TERRY GLASPEY



*“By his words and his life, Lewis demonstrated the power of a life touched by a deep intellectual commitment to the truth of the gospel, and of an imagination energised by the glory of the Christian vision of reality.”*

**TERRY GLASPEY**



### DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

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Q. What is one of your favourite books, essays or writings from C. S. Lewis? Why is it your favourite?

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Q. Lewis lived a story-formed life and was significantly impacted by many books, including those by George Macdonald and tales of Norse Mythology. Which stories aided in your formation?

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Q. How did Lewis' childhood cultivate creativity and imagination?

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Q. Lewis' conversion to Christianity was not a sudden or dramatic moment, but a slow and steady gradual shift. What were some of the integral moments of his conversion?

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Q. The Inklings gathered to discuss theology, and literature, and enjoy a good conversation. What impact did the Inklings have on one another? How did the death Of Inkling Charles William strengthen Lewis' faith?

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Q. In *Surprised by Joy* and the following chapters, we read of Jack and Joy's romance, health struggles, miracles, Joy's death and Lewis' *Grief Observed*. What part of their story moved you the most?

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Q. Which chapter from *Part Two, C. S. Lewis: His Thought*, enlightened you, gave you something new to think about, changed your mind, or simply stood out to you the most?

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Q. Discuss the very famous C. S. Lewis quote, "God whispers to us in our pleasures, speaks to us in our conscience, but shouts to us in our pains: it is His megaphone to rouse a deaf world" (p137).

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Q. *The Problem of Pain*, *Mere Christianity*, and *Miracles* are Lewis' great trilogy of apologetic works. Why do you think these books are considered to be classics that every Christian should read? Why does Lewis have a lasting legacy today?

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Q. In the *Chronicles of Narnia*, Lucy asks, "Is He [Aslan] safe?", to which the animals reply, "Course he isn't safe, but he is good... He is not a tame lion." How might this quote summarise Lewis' faith and life experience with God?

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