

The Screw Tape Letters

Letter VII Questions

1. Why is it important for satin's workers to conceal themselves?

2. Discuss how this concealment has had an effect in your life. When did you first become aware that there is a "Wormwood" working in your life? Now that you know of "your Wormwood" what difference is this knowledge making in your daily life?

3. Discuss "the Materialist Magician", including the "Life Forces" that Screwtape refers to. Do you see these concepts at work in society today?

4. Paragraph 2 once again introduces the question of making the patient an extreme patriot or an extreme pacifist. However, in this discussion it focuses on the term "extreme". Why does Screwtape make differentiation between how "extremes" should be managed between young and older people? Discuss why you agree or disagree.

5. Discuss Screwtapes comments about the church as described at the end of paragraph 2.

6. Why do you think Screwtape wants to tie the patient's position about the war to his religious belief, regarding it as the most important part"? What benefits are there to keeping the patient guessing at his position on the war?

7. What did you learn from this letter?
