

Writing for Jesus Christ



Have you ever thought of becoming a writer? Or perhaps you simply like to read good books. Then you may be familiar with **C.S. Lewis**, the author of the well-known *Narnia* stories.

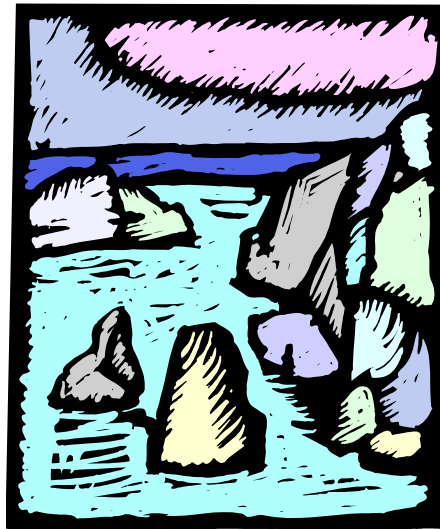
His nickname was Jack. As a young boy, Jack was a terrible athlete, and he wasn't too good-looking. But he had a gift for writing and a wonderful imagination.

By age 11, Jack was writing poems and then stories. He was quite happy sitting at home reading books – and scribbling away.

One of the things that fascinated Jack was "northernness" – very cold places with lots of ice and snow. So it wasn't surprising when he invented the world of *Narnia*, a totally frozen kingdom, which was ruled by a wicked person.

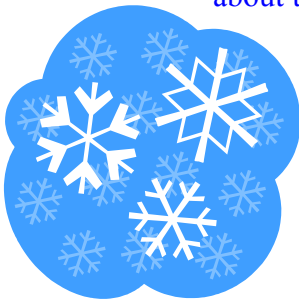
In the story, the great lion Aslan gives his life to free Narnia and its people from ice and evil, so all could grow and flourish.

Aslan was a bit like the Lord Jesus Christ, who brought new life to our own world by first dying and then rising again as our King.



Jack didn't always believe in Jesus. After his mother died, he didn't want to believe in God or in His Son Jesus.

But as he got older, Jack noticed that the writers he most admired were Christian – they were wise. He also noticed that his favourite teachers were Christian. Jack thought a lot about this, and eventually he came to believe in God, and in Jesus as his own Saviour. His books began to teach people about Jesus too, and those books have helped many to follow Christ.



Jack never expected his *Narnia* stories to become bestsellers. He never set out to write a book that would be trendy and 'popular'. He wrote what would honour the Lord. He wrote from his heart.



As it turned out, Jack's books were successful – because so many people valued what he had to say. Jack did what many find difficult to do:

He resisted the pressure to be just popular,
and he did the right thing.



A talent for writing, and the influence of other Christians helped Jack to become the best he could be for the Lord Jesus.

God arranges such things. He gives you a certain talent and He provides help from other Christians.

Most important of all,
He'd like you to commit your life and talents
to Jesus Christ.

Be smart like Jack !!

**“Until you have given up your self to Him,
you will not have a real self...” – C.S. Lewis**