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Summary of The Magician's Twin: CS Lewis and the Case against Scientism

More than a half century ago, famed writer C.S. Lewis warned about how science or a good thing could be twisted in order to attack religion, undermine ethics, and limit human freedom. In this documentary "The Magician's Twin: C.S. Lewis and the Case Against Scientism," leading scholars explore Lewis's prophetic warnings about the abuse of science and how Lewis's concerns are increasingly relevant for us today.

The movie explores Lewis's prophetic concerns about the misuse of science to "abolish" man and to undermine personal freedoms and human dignity. Scientism is a strategy for natural; science ought to be a bar by which each other order is judged. World wars were established in the maltreatment of science. Lewis never have a note to attack science itself. What he attacked was scientism. His idea that the method of natural science should be the bar by which every other discipline must be held. Lewis thought that science could be corrupted and that people could pursue science because they want power over the world and other people.

Scientism is the excessive faith in the power of logical information. It's the utilization of deliberate plans and consistently slanted attitudes or potentially thoughts that are drawn from the common sciences which are then coordinated to human activities and social encounters. Science is the best way to be protected in the midst of disastrous occasions and obviously for them who have confidence in this opinionated conduct, not being logical likens to being substandard as far as power and rate of validity.

Technocracy is a proposed game plan of an organization where leaders are preferably picked dependent on their specialized capacity and field of specialization.

CS Lewis went to extensive lengths to underline that he was not hostile to science. But rather he unambivalently confined scientism. According to him, scientism is the ill-advised conviction that only the front line of science can supply the fundamental strong strategy for finding out about the world, and its finished result obviously drove those researchers or technocrats to believe that they are the main ones who have the benefit to coordinate the overall population's morals, religious feelings, and even the privilege to administer over government systems due to their predominance complex, the aftereffect of their uncommon intelligent expertise.

Lewis compared science to magic. Twins actually have 3 reasons first is religion which is something out there extraordinary. It can give you a sense of meaning. Religion also strikes a deep cord in people of grandeur in the universe, something higher than ourselves. This magical view of the world, examples are the movies Narnia, Lord of Rings, and others can be a religion for some of the people in the world. In addition some people in science saw the Darwinian model. People celebrate Darwin's Birthday on Feb 12.

Second is Credulity, in this modern world, individuals will accept nearly anything if it's spruced up for the sake of science. Lewis intrigued by Freud's psychoanalysis. The deconstruction of everything abandons you with nothing. The Pilgrim's regress book. Another was evolutionism this issue could unwittingly control itself. If our own minds are product of the irrational, by what method would it be advisable for us to confide in it about evolutionism? Mind improvement reliable with survival upgrading practices, however not the capacity to get a handle on the truth. So we ought not to confide in our reason. How could a thoughtless procedure produce minds?

Lastly is power, the journey for power. Magicians needed to have power over the world so as to control it. the modern science unmistakably progressively unsafe in light of the fact that magic doesn't work at the end of the day, though current science can control and control individuals. So in the event that you don't have a moral premise that is outside of the domain of science to control it, you have a risky future.

Greatest risk of scientism is want to control the clasp appears on the off chance that we don't have logical truth, we have the ability to control others since we are the person who realizes what truly occurs

1. What is scientism

Scientism is a term generally used to described the cosmetic application in unwarranted situations not covered by scientific method. It is the exorbitant faith in the intensity of scientific knowledge. It is the belief that science is the only way to be safe in times of catastrophic events and apparently for them who believe this dogmatic behavior, not being scientific equates to being inferior in terms of power and rate of credibility.

2. How is science comparable to magic?

C.S Lewis compared science to magic in three ways. According to him, the two ideas of science and magic are being in the way that they are able to function as an alternative religion in their encouragement of a lack of skepticism and in their quest for power.

3. Why is science more dangerous than magic?

Science is far more dangerous than magic because magic fails. If it does not work then, people could not use it to control the world while science has the potential that you really can't control the people. If you find the right charge, the right treatments, you can manipulate them. In science, you don't have any other way of protecting what you are doing and so it becomes dangerous.

4. What is the presented essence of modernity and its consequence?

The essence of modernity is that " nothing is sacred." Its consequence include the human person. When modernity happens, there will be no distinctions between individuals or humans between animals and vegetables and all other non-human creatures.

5. What do we need for the sciences to be good?

C.S Lewis agrees that science is good but we must know how to control it. Firstly, we need to know and understand that limits of science. We must know what we should and

we should not do. Secondly, C.S Lewis suggests that scientists may learn to rescue science from scientism creating a regenerate science that respected human rights and dignity a science that is no longer be the magicians twin.

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