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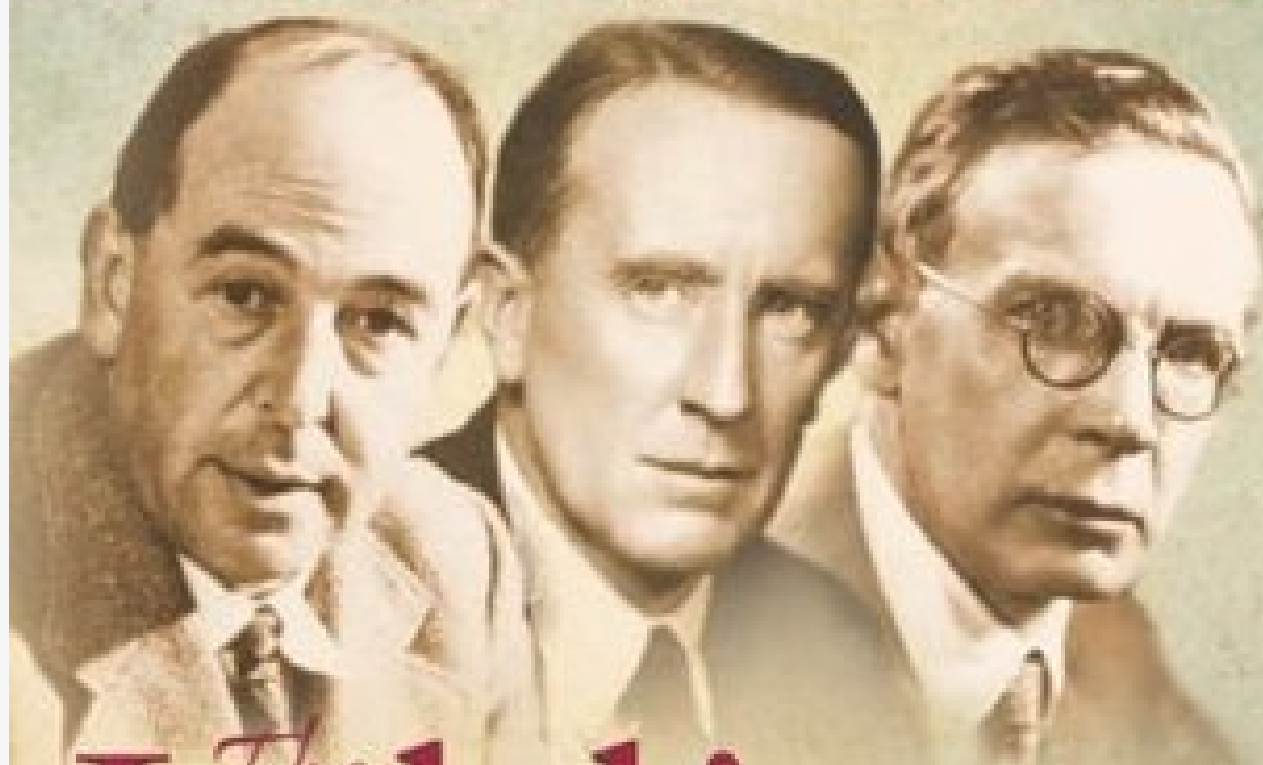
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# *The* Inklings

C.S. LEWIS, J.R.R. TOLKIEN,  
CHARLES WILLIAMS AND THEIR FRIENDS



HUMPHREY CARPENTER

An informative biography of the Inklings, the Oxford literary society whose members included CS Lewis and JRR Tolkien I liked the narration by Bernard Mayes. Humphrey Carpenter seems to have a penchant for group biographies I recently read his excellent book on Evelyn Waugh and his friends, *The Brideshead Generation*, and now I've finally managed to track down a copy of *The Inklings* As with *The Brideshead Generation*, Carpenter does focus on one member of the group, C.S Lewis, than on the others, for, as he argues, the Inklings owed their existence as a group almost entirely to him He gives some details about the life of Tolkien of whom he has written a separate biography and about Charles Williams, but it's in the depiction of the Inklings as a group that Carpenter really shines. The pivotal chapters of the book present Carpenter's description of an imaginary meeting of the Inklings and his analysis of what drew the group together I usually don't approve of too much dialogue in a nonfiction book, as it tends to sound made up and inauthentic, but Carpenter does an excellent job It helps knowing that the dialogue is taken from the Inklings actual writings in fact, I recognized a lot of what Tolkien had to say from his letters These chapters are compelling and convincing reading the heady atmosphere of debate and discussion is brilliantly portrayed, making this essential reading for anyone interested in Lewis, Tolkien, and the Inklings I came out of it wanting to read by and about Williams, myself. A slightly rambling account of the Inklings, focusing mainly on C S Lewis, with Tolkien and Charles Williams as supporting actors It's always pleasant to spend time with these people even if Charles Williams was certifiably insane The only issue I have with this book is the strangely detached and critical attitude Humphrey Carpenter takes with respect to C S Lewis's writing This happens in the last quarter of the book, completely unexpectedly, and it cost this book its five star rating Honestly, I'm not that interested in what Humphrey Carpenter says about Lewis's writing I've read most of it, and I have my own opinions, thank you very much Not as good as his biography of Tolkien, which is definitive. Informativo y didctico a la par que algo pesado Hubiera sido mucho ms interesante si estuviese novelado

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