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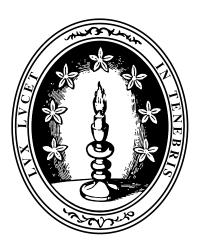
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DEDICATION



With sincere gratitude we dedicate this new edition of

— Arthur W. Pink's — *The Attributes of God*

to

CLYDE "BILL" WILLIAMS JR.

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In appreciation of

His unpretentious love for Jesus Christ,

His outspoken commitment to the Word of God,

His unselfish giving for the spread of the Gospel.





THE FOREWORD

HE PAPERS WHICH FOLLOW appeared first in the author's monthly magazine "Studies in the Scriptures," which is devoted entirely to the expounding of God's Word and a seeking to provide spiritual food for hungry souls. These articles have been reissued in their present form through the generosity of a Christian friend who has defrayed the entire cost of their publication. Proceeds from the sale of this booklet will be used, D. V., to issue others of a similar nature. May the blessing of God rest upon it.

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THE PREFACE

cquaint now thyself with Him, and be at peace: thereby good shall come unto thee" (Job 22:21). "Thus saith the Lord, Let not the wise man glory in his wisdom, neither let the mighty glory in his might, let not the rich glory in his riches: But let him that glorieth glory in this, that he understandeth, and *knoweth Me*, that I am the Lord" (Jeremiah 9:23-24). A spiritual and saving knowledge of God is the greatest need of every human creature.

The foundation of all true knowledge of God must be a clear mental apprehension of His perfections as revealed in Holy Scripture. An unknown God can neither be trusted, served, nor worshipped. In this booklet an effort has been made to set forth some of the principal perfections of the Divine character. If the reader is to truly profit from his perusal of the pages that follow, he needs to definitely and earnestly beseech God to bless them to him, to *apply* His Truth to the conscience and heart, so that his life will be transformed thereby.

Something more than a theoretical knowledge of God is needed by us. God is only truly *known* in the soul as we yield ourselves to Him, submit to His authority, and regulate all the details of our lives by His holy precepts and commandments. "Then shall we know, if we follow on (in the path of obedience) to *know* the Lord" (Hosea 6:3). "If any man will *do His will*, he shall know" (John 7:17). "The people that do *know* their God shall be strong" (Daniel 11:32).

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Knowledge of God is essential to faith, for, "How shall they believe in Him of whom they have not heard" (Romans 10:14)? Knowledge of God is essential to prayer, for, "How shall they call on Him in whom they have not believed" (Romans 10:14)? Knowledge of God is the result of the new birth (John 3:3), and the new creation, for, "God, who commanded the light to shine out of darkness, hath shined in our hearts, to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ" (2 Corinthians 4:6). Knowledge of God is essential to peace, that is, no man can have any peace of mind or peace in his soul without the knowledge of God, for the Bible says, "Acquaint now thyself with Him, and be at peace" (Job 22:21), and "Thou wilt keep him in perfect peace, whose mind is stayed on thee" (Isaiah 26:3). Knowledge of God is essential to acceptable worship, for, "God is a Spirit: and they that worship Him must worship Him in spirit and in truth" (John 4:24). Thus, an unknown God can neither be trusted, worshipped, obeyed, nor relied upon.

In this book, Arthur W. Pink has made an effort to set forth some of the principal perfections of the Divine nature as they are revealed in the Bible. He is also faithful to point out the difference between an intellectual knowledge of God and a spiritual, saving knowledge of God. Pink explains that the foundation of a true knowledge of God is a clear mental apprehension of Him as He is revealed in Holy Scripture, but he also explains why man needs something more than an intellectual knowledge. The God of the Bible is supernatural and can only be known supernaturally. The God of the Bible is spirit and can only be known spiritually. But man, by nature, is neither supernatural, nor spiritual (1 Corinthians 2:14). Consequently, the Bible tells us that God can only be known by those to whom He makes Himself known, "No man knoweth the Son, but the Father, neither knoweth any man the Father, save the Son, and he to whomsoever the Son will reveal him" (Matthew 11:27). If the reader is to truly profit from his study of what is written in this book, he needs to earnestly beseech God to bless his study and apply the truth of what is written to his conscience and heart, so that his life will be transformed thereby, "For this cause we also, since the day we heard of it, do not cease to pray for you, and to desire that ye might be filled with the knowledge of His will in all wisdom and spiritual understanding; that ye might walk worthy of the Lord unto all pleasing, being fruitful in every good work, and increasing in the knowledge of God" (Colossians 1:9-10).

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