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The Christian has been placed into the transcendent position of not only comprehending that of the spiritual, but of experiencing fully all that God is. We have entered into a unique relationship of unfathomable intimacy that of God and man. Our purpose is well stated in the Westminster Shorter Catechism's keynote: "Man's chief end is to glorify God and to enjoy Him forever." We must function so as to bring God the most glory possible through our lives.

The goal of any study, book, or teaching should not be to merely know more about God, but to know God more. The Almighty is not to be understood as some historical figure but as one who desires, above all else, an intimate relationship with us. A greater understanding is needed of who and what God is, so that we might come to an ever fuller realization that He is alive, that He is present, and that we, though originally created from dust, can have everlasting fellowship with Him.

We cannot properly appreciate God until we understand Him rightly. It is for this reason that we must fix our hearts, above all else, to pursue a knowledge of the Most High. We must not be content to define Him merely on the basis of opinion and experience. He can only be properly known through the revelation which He has given us of Himself. It is absolutely vital that we constantly search and meditate upon the Holy Scripture. This does not confront us as an option-it is a necessity. The noblest aim of man is the diligent pursuit of the deeper things of God. The application of which produces a greater glory for the One deserving of all.

The goal of this book is to examine God's attribute so that we might know Him more intimately, trust Him more, and worship Him more deeply. Then it applies each of His attributes to our own lives and how they might change us.

As someone who has been involved in many Christian ministries such as

missions, singles, outreaches, and counseling I know that the most crucial determinate of how well a person will endure trials, service well, and "finish the race" is the depth of their knowledge of God. People will fail us, churches will disappoint us, but God is a constant solid foundation. I wrote Contemplating the Almighty so that today's generation might discover the joy of knowing God.

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Each attribute opens with a quiz followed by a reverential contemplation to draw people into the magnificence and glory of God. There is a section on what that attribute means to us, then the answers to the quiz, and finally a set of discussion questions.

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