

Introduction and Warnings

This book is written especially for people who have subjected themselves to hypocritical leaders, teachers and/or pastors and are confused, angry or have lost their faith.

I hope that it will motivate and challenge you to personally seek God and His truth, and to encourage and inspire you to draw closer to Him in a personal relationship of trust and love.

These sermons attempt to preach and clarify truth that churches tend to ignore, play down, gloss over, misconstrue or over-elaborate on to the point of confusion.

All **blue-lettered quotes** are God's words quoted from the Bible; All **purple-lettered quotes** are the testimony of the silent voice of the Spirit of Truth within.

Now, some warnings against misuse of this book:

- ⊘ This book, or any of the words in it, should not be used as a weapon against hypocrites, but as an aid in discerning and avoiding hypocrisy in yourself first and then in others.
- ⊘ It should not be used as a tool of attack against churches, denominations, cults and/or other religious groups, but as an aid in realizing your freedom and calling to follow Christ.
- ⊘ It should not be used to justify yourself or condemn others, but to glorify God and affirm His goodness and truth.
- ⊘ It should not be quoted from as an authority, for all authority on heaven and on earth has been given to Christ. If you perceive that something in this book is true, and you want to tell someone else that truth, seek and find what Christ has to say about it and quote

Him. Or, better yet, live the truth in your daily life and choices, bearing the fruit of love, joy, peace, patience, goodness, kindness, gentleness, faithfulness and self-control.

- ⊘ Most of all, this book should not be used to start another religious sect or group! This book is written to help individuals seek the kingdom of God and His righteousness. If anyone tries to form a group based on this book or anything in it, he/she would be making the same mistake every previous sect, cult and denomination has made, which is thinking that God's Church can be conformed and boxed into a human organizational structure under human leadership.

May everyone who reads this book be inspired and motivated to seek God through following Christ; **“then you will know the truth, and the truth will make you free.”**

Note to Preachers

If any of you are actually considering preaching these sermons, consider this first:

1. You may be opposed, criticized and even fired.
2. Church attendance may decrease.
3. Tithes and offerings may decrease.
4. Membership may decrease.
5. Those closest to you may turn against you.

If you still want to preach these sermons in spite of the possible costs, please preach them as written. Most of them are brief for a purpose, and if you elaborate or add to them it will defeat that purpose, which is to challenge people to seek God for themselves instead of looking to you to spoon-feed them.

The **purple quotes** at the end of most of the sermons should not be spoken or preached by you. Instead, they should be recorded by a quiet, firm, yet unfamiliar voice and played after you finish preaching the body of the sermon. This is to help people become acquainted with the testimony of the Holy Spirit and hopefully be better able to recognize His Voice within them.

Many of the sermons have **handouts** that go with them. These are the pages with **teal-colored** headings. They are designed to be copied and handed out to the congregation either before or during the sermon.

Remember, every word that comes through me or any other person is subject to possible corruption. If the Spirit of Truth in you testifies against any part of the purple quotes, please leave it out. But please do not add to or twist what has been written.

May each of us be humbled enough to receive the fullness of God's love, grace, peace and joy.