



Walking with Giants

Learning from the Spirituality of the Puritans

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What could they possibly teach us?

The Surpassing Beauty of Christ

Keeping the Heart

Practicing Biblical Meditation

The Rare Jewel of Christian Contentment



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Treasures
FOR TODAY

*The Blessed
and Boundless
God*

GEORGE
SWINNOCK



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*A Perfect
Redeemer*

WILLIAM
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All Things for Good

Thomas Watson



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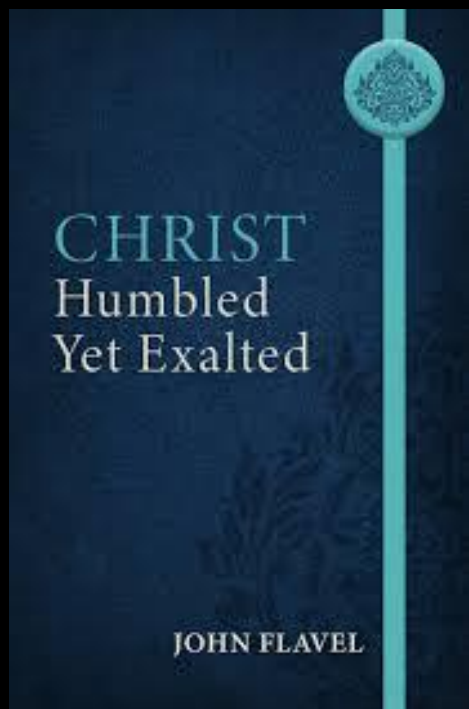
*Triumphing
over
Sinful Fear*

JOHN
FLAVEL

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The Surpassing Beauty of Christ

“This alone is true religion: to rest everything upon the everlasting mountains of God’s love in Christ; to live continually in the sight of Christ’s infinite merit and righteousness; to see all the vileness of your sin pardoned; so that Christ alone, as Mediator, may be exalted upon His throne.”

Thomas Wilcox

GOD



MEDIATOR
(God & man)



MAN

“Look on Christ in whatever respect or particular you will; cast your eye upon this lovely object; turn Him in your serious thoughts; consider His person, His offices, His works, or any other thing belonging to Him; and you will find Him altogether lovely.”

John Flavel

Prophet

(1) To tell us about God (John 1:18)

(2) To dispel the darkness (Luke 24:45)

Priest

(1) To remove our sin (Gal. 3:13)

(2) To intercede for us (John 17:1–26)

King

(1) To break sin's power (Luke 11:21)

(2) To protect us (Matt. 28:18)

“Salvation is revealed by Christ as a Prophet, procured by Him as a Priest, applied by Him as a King. In vain it is revealed, if not purchased; in vain it is revealed and purchased, if not applied.”

John Flavel

Union with Christ



“It is an intimate conjunction of believers to Christ by the imparting of His Spirit to them, whereby they are enabled to believe and live in Him.”

John Flavel

1. Graft and Stock

“For if we have been united with him in a death like his, we shall certainly be united with him in a resurrection like his” (Rom. 5:6).

2. Head and Body

**“Rather, speaking the truth in love, we are to grow up in every way into him who is the head, into Christ, from whom the whole body, joined and held together by every joint with which it is equipped, when each part is working properly, makes the body grow so that it builds itself up in love”
(Eph. 4:15–16).**

3. Husband and Wife

**“Because we are members of his body.
Therefore, a man shall leave his father
and mother and hold fast to his wife, and
the two shall become one flesh. This
mystery is profound, and I am saying
that it refers to Christ and the church”
(Eph. 5:30–32).**

“If you have got hold of this idea, you will have discovered the most glorious truth you will ever know in your life.”

Martyn Lloyd-Jones

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Christ is OUR Prophet

*(1) The Prophet's External Work of
Revelation*

*(2) The Prophet's Internal Work of
Illumination*

Christ must open two doors: an ignorant
head and a hardened heart.

He must reveal truth *to* us and *in* us.

*Application for Ministry:
We must listen to Christ.*

The *source* of what we've heard
(1:1–14).

“Seeing the gospel has such a blessed
Author, we ought to take care that we
forfeit not our interest in it.”

John Owen

The *importance* of what we've heard
(2:2–3).

If the consequence of neglecting the old
("the word spoken through angels") was
judgment ("a just penalty"), what will be
the consequence of rejecting the new?

The *value* of what we've heard (2:3).

Why's the gospel great? It's great in its origin: God's infinite wisdom. It's great in its means: Christ's humiliation and exaltation. It's great in its result: our deliverance.

The *finality* of what we've heard (2:3–4).

God has nothing more to say to us.

Are we listening?

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Christ is OUR Priest

(1) The Priest's Oblation

**It's offered to make atonement by giving
to God a full and adequate satisfaction
for the sins of His people.**

(2) The Priest's Intercession

On *earth*: the accomplishment of
Christ's work

In *heaven*: the application of
Christ's work

In heaven ...

He presents His person for us

**He presents His obedience (in life and
death) for us**

He presents His requests for us

*Application for Ministry:
We must look to Christ.*

Christ is superior to all our enemies.

Christ is superior to all our fears.

Christ is superior to all our problems.

Christ is superior to all our sins.

Not the labors of my hands
Can fulfil thy law's demands;
Could my zeal no respite know,
Could my tears for ever flow,
All for sin could not atone;
Thou must save, and thou alone.

Nothing in my hand I bring,
Simply to thy cross I cling;
Naked, come to thee for dress,
Helpless, look to thee for grace;
Foul, I to the Fountain fly;
Wash me, Saviour, or I die.

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Christ is OUR King

Humiliation vs. Exaltation

Resurrection

Ascension

Session

Return

**The King crushed the serpent at His
crucifixion.**

**“He disarmed the rulers and authorities
and put them to open shame, by
triumphing over them in him” (Col. 2:15).**

**The King crushes the serpent during His
exaltation.**

**“He seated him at his right hand in the
heavenly places far above all rule and
authority and power and dominion”
(Eph. 1:20–21).**

**The King will crush the serpent at His
return.**

**“Then comes the end, when he delivers
the kingdom to God the Father after
destroying every rule and every authority
and power” (1 Cor. 15:25).**

Application:
We must submit to Christ.

“We do not yet see everything in subjection to him. But we see him who for a little while was made lower than the angels, namely, Jesus, crowned with glory and honor” (Heb. 2:9).

Frailty?

Ministry?

Enemy?



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