

“He gave ... teachers”

A Testimony about the Need for Teachers:

BEFORE the first serious cracks began to show in my faith in the Watchtower, God had already set me up for a soft fall. I was reading books I shouldn't have. Since all Jehovah's Witnesses officially believe that the only good food comes from the table of 'God's organization', I should never have started collecting non-JW books. But my years as a pioneer and trouble shooter (someone the average JW takes along on difficult calls) had taught me that the weapons the Watchtower supplies were inadequate. Books like *Is the Bible the Word of God?* and *Aid to Bible Understanding*, while impressive to the uneducated JW and Joe Public, didn't make much of a dent in the armour of half-educated unbelievers. Rather than dismiss such 'difficult' people as *goats*, an attitude definitely encouraged by elders when official Watchtower tools failed, I made the theocratically fatal error of giving the non-Witness the benefit of doubt. I went looking for more powerful weapons. My search for better answers to defend the Watchtower would eventually lead me out of 'God's organization'. But that was not at all apparent at the time. For as I combed secondhand bookstores in downtown Toronto for books on unbelief's favourite targets -- the Genesis creation story, the flood, 'contradictions' in the Bible etc. -- I quickly found out there was a wealth of good material out there, and much of it had been published decades before 'God's organization' got around to dealing with the same issues. I guess I shouldn't have been *too* surprised, for one of the first tasks I set myself when the complete *Aid to Bible Understanding* came out in 1971 (in the first flush of post-baptism zeal!) was to index the references to other sources used by the Watchtower in compiling it. I, like all the Witnesses I knew, was sure the *Aid to Bible Understanding* was the ultimate in Bible tools. Now I was using its references to build a library of books in the field of *apologetics*, the science of defending the Christian faith. By 1979, when I was appointed an elder,

my library already contained 100s of works in this area. John Burns, my fellow elder in University (Toronto) congregation (and since become a Watchtower lawyer), remarked one day how great an advantage these books would be to me as a pioneer(missionary) and a Ministry School Overseer. John was right -- in a way neither of us could have foreseen!

One thing that became apparent fairly early in my book collecting: most of the best books I found defending the Bible were written by clergymen! This became especially important later on, when I had to look more closely at the original books of C.T Russell and Joseph Rutherford, the 2 chief architects of Jehovah's Witnesses. These original Watchtower books, by now, were among the prized rarities in my personal library. Since the Watchtower no longer published *any* of these books by its founders, they made quite the trophy on my bookshelves, never failing to impress fellow Witnesses who visited. Of course, neither they nor I would likely ever read them anyway -- why read 'old light' when we had so much fine literature with up-to-date 'new light', fresh 'spiritual food'? Nevertheless, though my faith in 'the organization' was as yet unshaken, it did bother me *a bit* that I couldn't get much help from these older Watchtower books in defending the Watchtower beliefs, or defending the Bible. What little time I did spend skimming them, reading a page or two here and there, confirmed that the newer literature was far more useful for preaching the 'good news'. The older books, especially Russell's, seemed to be full of interpretations of Revelation and other prophecies. What was immediately obvious? We didn't interpret the prophecies the same way anymore. This bothered me a little, but I had much more important things to do than dwell on the organization's past!

While these potential faith-shattering explosives sat on my shelves unread for years, God was using a slower but steady process to loosen my ties to the Watchtower. Many of these old books I **was** reading -- some even older than Russell's -- were proving very useful to my ministry, especially for Bible studies who asked tough questions. Fellow Witnesses would sometimes ask me where I got

some of the facts and refutations I used with calls we shared. But by now (1984) I'd decided most Witnesses were better off not knowing. But even those who knew what was in my library never warned me that this extra reading might be 'dangerous', though undoubtedly it would have occurred to them. After all, 'Mother' still provided all that anyone could ever need. But fellow JW's still came to **me**, not the other *loyal* elders, for the tough calls. This contradiction bothered me too.

A cushion to land on

Then, in summer of 1984, the first major fissures appeared in the Watchtower's foundation. For the first time someone forced me to take those old Russell books off the shelves and look more closely at them. Many of those who read this will know the rest of the story. Anyone who finally reads those books knows before long why they're no longer printed, or printable. Now my book collecting compromises had shattered my faith in the organization's 'integrity-keeping', even the honesty of its leaders. But my books had also given me an advantage that most people who find out the truth about the Watchtower don't enjoy -- I knew there was somewhere to go, someone who *could* be trusted. Through books in my spare room I had already met William Gladstone, Queen Victoria's Prime Minister, who (in his 80s) had written *The Impregnable Rock of Holy Scripture*, standing on the Rock of divine revelation at the very time Russell was pointing his followers to a pile of stone in Egypt (the Great Pyramid of Gizeh was viewed as 'prophecy in stone' by early JW's). Through my books I had also met George Rawlinson, who as Professor of Ancient History at Oxford during the same era, dedicated most of his life to defending the dependability of Scripture against withering assaults from rationalism and Darwinism. While Rawlinson was underlining God's dependability as revealed in history (*The Historical Evidences of the Truth of the Scripture Records* and many other works), Charles Russell was undermining the same by speculation passed off as 'food at the proper time' (*The Divine Plan of the Ages, The Time is at Hand*). If Russell's intent was to demonstrate the

trustworthiness of God, instead of setting **future** dates for God to act, he should have been pointing to the fulfilment of God's prophecies in the **past**, as did John Urquhart in *The Wonders of Prophecy* (about 1905).

By 1985 it was to such books, not the Watchtower's, that I went for witnessing help, **and**, I now had to admit, for spiritual food as well. Compared to these books, despite their age, even current Watchtower publications seemed very stale indeed. So when I finally realized the hypocrisy of my situation, that I was publically advocating the benefits of 'Jehovah's pure table', but eating elsewhere myself, I finally jumped off 'Jehovah's chariotlike organization'. But my books at least gave me a cushion to land on, whereas for my wife Vivian the fall off God's chariot was devastating. I had learned to trust at least **dead** Christians, but Vivian trusted nobody, not even me.

But gradually, as her paranoia faded and her wounds healed, Vivian too began to read some of the books that had helped me, and we both started feasting on the vast range of food available to Christians -- food about which Jehovah's Witnesses are completely unaware. We have both come to see that what the Watchtower continues to call the 'table of demons' is a table far better set, far more nutritious, and has infinitely less admixture of poison than the Watchtower's meagre 'table of Jehovah'. And even most of the good food the Society publishes is derived from Christendom's pantry.

Our 20+ years in the book business has only increased the wonder Vivian and I have for the incredible riches that are available to Christians. We have come to realize that the weakness and compromise in the church are NOT the result of lack of availability of spiritual food, but rather the result of the neglect of what God has provided. If Christian testimony and zeal are feeble, it is because Christians, like JW's, are feeding at the wrong table. God's table has **always** been well stocked, but those invited were -- and are -- too busy elsewhere (Matt.22:1-14).

Returning a favour

Most of the great teachers that the Lord has given the church are, sadly, either neglected or almost completely forgotten. Vivian and I would like return the favour those teachers have done for us by passing their rich heritage on to others. The following list makes no attempt to be exhaustive. We apologize in advance if Christian teachers that have benefitted others are not included. Nor are the works listed under each author complete lists. Within the confines of our allotted format, we have tried to include as many of the universally acknowledged, cherished and treasurable teachers (at least, they used to be!) as we could. We have not read all of the recommended works, but we have at the very least seen them referred to by other teachers we have come to trust. The list draws on the richest works of all Christian traditions -- Anglican, Reformed, Lutheran, Presbyterian, Baptist, Methodist, Brethren -- and even reveals that, despite the objections of some, God has used teachers in the Holiness, Pentecostal and Roman Catholic communions. Indeed here we have proof that 'the wind blows where it will, and you hear its voice, but know not whence it comes or where it goes. Thus is everyone that is born of the Spirit' (John 3:8). The list could have been many times longer, but it couldn't have been much shorter.

We hope those who read this will, if they haven't already, sample the rich and tasty menu that the Lord has set for the church's growth, strength, stability and protection. Even the apostles knew their spiritual need. Even after 3 years with Christ Himself they begged 'Lord, give us more faith'. The feast has long been ready, and we are invited (Matt.22:1-14).

- David Aspinall

P.S. I have purposely omitted from the following list authors and teachers who are still with us. Whether they too will be honoured among the 'faithful and wise' servants of the Master only time can test. Despite the claims of *The Watchtower* and other 'new light' religions, when the Lord

puts bread on the table it never becomes stale. In fact, I and millions of others can testify that the old 'dishes' still have a special savour that is all their own.

ALEXANDER, Joseph Addison (1809-1860) Princeton Bible scholar, wrote standard commentaries on Psalms, Isaiah, Acts, Mark and Matthew (left incomplete)

ALFORD, Henry (1810-1871) Biblical scholar, dean of Canterbury at death. One of the NT revisers. 4-vol. edition of Greek New Testament brought best of German scholarship to the English reader. Many other works, including Genesis (& part Exodus) commentary

AMBROSE (340-397) Bishop of Milan, kept peace between Arians and Catholics, all the while adhering to Trinitarian orthodoxy. Influenced and baptized Augustine

ANDERSON, Sir Robert (1841-1918) lay apologist (while head of criminal investigation, Scotland Yard) wrote *The Coming Prince; The Silence of God; The Gospel and His Ministries; The Bible and Modern Criticism*

ANSELM (1033-1109) Italian-born, moved to England and became one of the most influential theologians of the middle ages. His *Cur Deus Homo (Why God Man)* became standard defense of incarnation and atonement. His philosophical arguments for the existence of God, "the ontological argument", became normative

ATHANASIUS (296-372) Bishop of Alexandria, became champion of Trinitarianism against Arius from the time of the Council of Nicaea (325); banished 4 times by the Arian emperors for his unflinching espousal of the Deity of Christ. Exiled 20 years

AUGUSTINE, Aurelius (354-430) Bishop of Hippo (North Africa), wrote work that defined Medieval orthodox understanding of the church, *The City of God*. THE most influential theologian in history of Christianity, revered by both Catholics & Protestants. Primary influence at the Council of Carthage (397), which fixed the Bible canon. Also wrote famous *Confessions*, and many books still printed, including *De Trinitate*

BARNES, Albert (1798-1870) American Presbyterian commentator, educated at Princeton. His *Bible Notes* are still in demand. Also wrote much against slavery

BARON, David (1855-1926) Hebrew Christian. Wrote much on OT prophecy: *The Servant of Jehovah; Visions and Prophecies of Zechariah; Types, Psalms & Prophets; Israel in the Plan of God*

BARTH, Karl (1886-1968) Swiss-born, the most influential theologian of the 20th century. Wrote massive *Church Dogmatics* and many smaller works, including a commentary on Romans and *The Resurrection of the Dead* (on 1 Corinthians)

BASIL the Great (329-379) Born in and bishop of Caesarea, first of the 3 Cappadocians (with 2 Gregorys). Founded first Christian hospital (especially for lepers), gave wealth to poor, and wrote vigorous defenses of Deity of Christ and Holy Spirit. Severity of labours and ascetic life sent him to early grave, greatly beloved

BAXTER, Richard (1615-1691) Puritan in Church of England, finally forced out. *The Reformed Pastor; The Saints' Everlasting Rest; A Call to the Unconverted* among his 100+ works

BENGEL, Johann Albrecht (1687-1752) German Lutheran NT scholar, father of modern critical approach to text and exegesis, though strongly conservative. His *Gnomen of the New Testament* still a resource for teachers and scholars

BERNARD of Clairvaux (1091-1153) The most-read mystic of monastic middle ages. The most influential figure in French church of his day. Meditations still treasured

BERNARD, Thomas Dehany (1815-1904) Oxford-trained Church of England priest. Wrote *The Progress of Doctrine in the New Testament, The Central Teaching of Jesus Christ*

BLAIKIE, William G. (1820-1899) Clergyman in Scotland's Free Church. Socially conscious, wrote *Bible History*, bio of Livingstone, commentaries on Samuel, Joshua

BONAR, Andrew A. (1810-1892) Brother of Horatius,

Minister of Scotland's Free Church. Wrote famous biography of McCheyne (with whom he visited Palestine). Also books on Leviticus, Psalms

BOUNDS, Edward M. (1835-1913) Methodist, chaplain in Civil War. Prayed each morning 4-7, and wrote many books on what he learned of prayer. Believed in entire sanctification.

BRIDGES, Charles (1794-1869) Church of England evangelical. Famous commentaries on Psalms 119, Proverbs, Ecclesiastes, and *The Christian Ministry*, a McCheyne favorite

BROADUS, John A. (1827-1895) Virginian Baptist. Wrote valued books on sermon preparation and history of preaching, and a famous commentary on Matthew

BROOKES, James H. (1830-1897) Presbyterian preacher, Princeton educated. Wrote much on prophecy (premillennial); e.g. *Maranatha; Israel and the Church; Did Jesus Rise?; The Mystery of Suffering*

BROWN, David (1803-1897) Scottish Free Church theologian, born and taught in Aberdeen. Many works, including collaborating with Jamieson, Fausset on commentary on whole Bible. Wrote key works on postmillennial prophetic understanding

BROWN, John (1784-1858) Scot Presbyterian, called "modern Puritan" by Spurgeon, who said "all his expositions are of the utmost value". Wrote on Galatians, Peter, Isaiah 53, Hebrews etc.

BRUCE, Alexander B. (1831-1899) Free Church divine, one of the greatest NT scholars of the Victorian era. Wrote *The Training of the Twelve; The Humiliation of Christ;* commentaries on gospels, Hebrews

BRUCE, Frederick Fyvie (1910-1990) Worshipped in little Brethren church. Rylands chair of Biblical Criticism and Exegesis at University of Manchester (1959-78). Perhaps the outstanding conservative NT scholar of postwar generation

BULLINGER, E.W. (1837-1913) Highly individual Church of England scholar. Wrote much on prophecy and evidences of inspiration, including a commentary on Revelation,

Number in Scripture; The Gospel in the Stars

BUNYAN, John (1628-1688) English Puritan, wrote devotional classics *Pilgrim's Progress; Grace Abounding; The Holy War*

BUTLER, Joseph (1692-1752) Church of England theologian, became Bishop of Bristol and later Durham, turned down Archbishopric of Canterbury. Wrote definitive work combatting deism of his day, *The Analogy of Religion*, which became a basic text in apologetics for generations. Also famous for his formidable (printed) sermons

CALVIN, John (1509-1564) Geneva reformer. His *Institutes of the Christian Religion* and commentaries (embracing most of the Bible) are still invaluable to Christians

CANDLISH, Robert S. (1806-1873) A founder of Scotland's Free Church, and leader after Chalmers. Wrote *The Fatherhood of God*; commentaries on Genesis (3 vol.) and 1 John

CHAFER, Lewis Sperry (1871-1952) Presbyterian theologian and first president of Dallas Seminary. Many works, including *Systematic Theology* (8 vol.); *Major Bible Themes; Salvation*

CHAMBERS, Oswald (1874-1917) Scottish Baptist. Many famous devotional works, such as *My Utmost for His Highest*

CHARLES, Robert Henry (1855-1931) Irish Church of England scholar, canon of Westminster Abbey (1913-31). The foremost expert on Jewish eschatology and intertestamental literature of his generation. Edited massive *Apocrypha and Pseudepigrapha of the Old Testament* (2 vol.) and wrote great work on Revelation

CLARKE, Adam (1762-1832) Great English Methodist expositor and linguist, mostly self-taught. Greatest work huge 8-volume commentary on entire Bible

CHARNOCK, Stephen (1628-1680) Puritan, expelled from Church of England posts, but wrote some of most enduring theological works of his age, including *Discourse upon the Existence, Attributes of God*

CHRYSOSTOM, John (347-407) Born in Antioch of Syria, where his preaching eloquence gained him the title 'golden-mouthed'. Later he became Bishop of Constantinople and his preaching against sin brought down wrath of Queen Eudoxia. Exiled, but his influence continues to this day through his great series of commentaries

CLEMENT of Alexandria (ca.150-ca.215) One of the greatest theologians of the early church, sought to find good in pagan philosophies, and, some would say, imported too much Greek thinking into Christianity. Nevertheless, can't be ignored

DALE, R.W. (1829-1895) Congregational preacher and reformer. Succeeded John Angell James at Carr's Lane, Birmingham. Wrote *The Atonement; The Jewish Temple and the Church; Lectures on Ephesians*

DARBY, John Nelson (1800-1882) English founder of the Plymouth Brethren, his views on prophecy have become known as 'dispensationalism'. Many works, including Bible translations in English, German and French

DAVIDSON, Andrew Bruce (1831-1902) Free Church OT scholar, taught many other famous scholars, incl. W.Robertson Smith and G.A. Smith. Many commentaries, notable works on Job, Ezekiel, Hebrews, *Old Testament Theology, Hebrew Grammar*

DEISSMANN, Gustav Adolf (1866-1937) German Lutheran NT scholar, demonstrated through vast knowledge of papyri that NT language simply common Greek (*koine*) of its time. Wrote *Light from the Ancient East*, works on philology, Paul

DELITZSCH, Franz (1813-1890) Lutheran, born in Leipzig of Hebrew ancestry, one of the foremost OT scholars of all time. With colleague C.F.Keil, wrote most distinguished conservative OT commentary of 19th century. Many other labours, incl. commentaries on Genesis, Hebrews and Hebrew NT, *System of Biblical Psychology*

DENNEY, James (1856-1917) Free Church theologian, NT scholar. Commentaries on Romans, 2 Corinthians, Thessalonians. Also *The Death of Christ; The Atonement and the Modern Mind; The Doctrine of Reconciliation*

DODDRIDGE, Philip (1702-1751) Congregational divine, his *Rise and Progress of Religion in the Soul* inspired millions, including Wilberforce, who owed his conversion to its influence

DODS, Marcus (1834-1909) One of Scotland's great Bible commentators of the Victorian era. Helped to popularize the critical treatment of the Bible. Many works, including *The Expositor's Bible* treatments of Genesis and the Gospel of John

DRIVER, Samuel Rolles (1846-1914) English Hebrew scholar, successor of Pusey at Christ Church, Oxford. His OT introduction and many commentaries brought critical German scholarship to a generation of churchmen. With Brown and Briggs edited still standard *Hebrew and English Lexicon of the Old Testament*

DRUMMOND, Henry (1851-1897) Scottish Prof of Biology, great influence on youth of Victorian era through work with Moody/Sankey, books *Natural Law in the Spiritual World*, *The Ideal Life*, *The Greatest Thing in the World* (on 1 Cor.13)

EADIE, John (1810-1876) Scottish NT scholar, his *Bible Cyclopaedia* and works on Paul's epistles and Acts became standards of conservative exegesis

EDERSHEIM, Alfred (1825-1889) Jewish Christian scholar, born in Vienna. Presbyterian, then Church of England. Author of most famous life of Christ. Also *Bible History*; *The Temple*; *Sketches of Jewish Social Life*

EDWARDS, Jonathan (1703-1758) Colonial New England's greatest intellect, America's greatest theologian. Wrote *Religious Affections*; *Freedom of the Will*; *Original Sin* and works on revival

ELLCOTT, Charles (1819-1905) Cambridge educated NT scholar, one of the most renowned of the Revision Committee (1881 RV). Many commentaries, other works, including editing series named after him. Bishop of Gloucester 42 years

ERASMUS, Desiderius (1466-1536) Dutch humanist, probably the greatest scholar of his age. His Greek NT was the basis of much of the Reformation scholarship, though

Erasmus didn't disassociate himself from the Catholic church

ERDMAN, Charles R. (1866-1960) Presbyterian premillennial teacher, educated at Princeton. Many commentaries for lay people, contributed to *The Fundamentals*

EUSEBIUS of Caesarea (Pamphili) (ca.260-ca.340) 'Father of Church history', his *Ecclesiastical History* (to 325) is source of much of what we know of early church. As Bishop of Caesarea, his sympathies were semi-Arian, but signed Nicene Creed. Also wrote 2 great works of apologetics, *Preparation for the Gospel* and *Demonstration of the Gospel*, as well as a world history, *Chronicon*, and a life of Constantine

FAIRBAIRN, Patrick (1805-1874) Scottish Free Church theologian. Famous works on *Typology of Scripture*; Jonah, Ezekiel, interpretation of prophecy

FARRAR, Frederic William (1831-1903) Dean of Canterbury, chaplain of Commons, honorary Chaplain to Queen Victoria. One of the greatest scholars and church administrators of his age. Wrote many commentaries on both testaments, a great *Life and Work of St. Paul*, *History of Interpretation* and a famous *Life of Christ*; adopted many higher critical positions, and challenged doctrine of eternal punishment

FAUSSET, A.R. (1821-1910) Irish Church of England scholar, became canon of York in 1885. Collaborated with Jamieson and Brown on famous commentary, and himself wrote a Bible encyclopedia, commentary on Judges, many more works

FINDLAY, George Gillanders (1849-1919) Welsh/English Methodist New Testament scholar. Wrote works on Epistles of John (*Fellowship in the Life Eternal*, Galatians, Ephesians (for the *Expositor's Bible*) and worked on the *Pulpit Commentary*

FINNEY, Charles G. (1792-1875) Congregational preacher. *Systematic Theology*; *Lectures on Revivals*, many smaller works on Christian living

FLAVEL, John (1630-1691) English Presbyterian. Wrote

The Fountain of Life Opened Up; Method of Grace; Treatise on the Soul of Man

FORSYTH, Peter Taylor (1848-1921) English Congregational clergyman, wrote *The Person and Place of Christ, The Work of Christ, The Principle of Authority*

FRANCIS de Sales (1567-1622) Catholic mystic, wrote devotional classics *Introduction to the Devout Life* and *A Treatise on the Love of God*

GAEBELEIN, Arno C. (1861-1945) Methodist Episcopal minister, missionary to Jewish people. Wrote many books on prophecy

GEIKIE, J. Cunningham (1824-1906) Presbyterian, then Church of England. Wrote *Life and Words of Christ; Hours with the Bible; The Holy Land and the Bible*

GIRDLESTONE, Robert B. (1836-1923) Church of England clergyman, Old Testament scholar. Author of *Synonyms of the Old Testament; Grammar of Prophecy; Old Testament Theology*

GLOVER, T.R. (1869-1943) English Baptist, one of the greatest classicists of our century. Wrote many works contrasting Christianity with pagan worldview and demonstrating the historicity of the NT: *The Jesus of History, Conflict of Religions in the Early Roman Empire, The Influence of Christ in the Ancient World, Paul of Tarsus*

GODET, Frederic L. (1812-1900) Swiss reformed scholar. Famous commentaries on Luke, John, Romans, 1 Corinthians. Also NT, OT *Studies; Introduction to Paul's Epistles*

GOODWIN, Thomas (1600-1680) One of the greatest Puritan divines & preachers, advisor of Cromwell, present at Westminster Assembly. Deprived of Presidency of Magdalen College, Oxford, at Restoration, devoted last years to scripture exposition

GORE, Charles (1853-1932) Ch. of England (High Church) Bishop of Worcester, Birmingham and Oxford. Wrote many works with a moderately liberal stance: *Belief in God, Belief in Christ, The Holy Spirit and the Church* and several NT expositions

GRAY, James M. (1851-1935) Episcopalian teacher, prez. of Moody Institute. *How to Master the English Bible; Synthetic Bible Studies; Christian Worker's Commentary*

GREGORY of Nazianzus (330-390) Greatest orator of the '3 Cappadocians'. Preceded John Chrysostom as bishop of Constantinople and a teacher of Jerome

GREGORY of Nyssa Brother of Basil, friend of Gregory Nazianzen, after Athanasius perhaps the greatest theologian of 4th cent. Removed as bishop of Nyssa by Arian emperor, later had great influence for orthodoxy at Council of Constantinople (381). Like other Cappadocian fathers, ascetic, but unlike them, married

GREGORY the Great (540-604) The greatest Pope of the Catholic church, not a great scholar but a great administrator. Reformed the corrupt church of his day by affirming tradition in many areas, including celibacy and liturgy

GUYON, Madame (1648-1717) French Catholic mystic, persecuted and imprisoned by church because of visions and writings. Friend of Fenelon, her writings still sought

HALDANE, Robert (1764-1842) Scottish educator, guided 300 into ministry, including Merle d'Aubigne, Monod, Malan and Gausson. His lectures on Romans enormously influential in quelling the tide of rationalism in Europe

HARNACK, Karl Gustav Adolph von (1851-1930) German Lutheran, the outstanding expert on early church of WW1 period. Wrote radical *History of Dogma*, but came to believe in the substantial historicity of Luke and Acts

HASTINGS, James (1852-1922) Tireless Scottish clergyman, editor of *Expository Times* (1890-1922), and also, unbelievably, the *Dictionary of the Bible*, (5 vol.), and the *Encyclopedia of Religion & Ethics* (12 vol.), *Dictionary of Christ and the Gospels, Dictionary of the Apostolic Church, Great Texts of the Bible* and many more

HAVERGAL, Frances Ridley (1836-1879) English hymn and devotional writer of wide influence, her most famous prose work being *Kept for the Master's Use*

HENGSTENBERG, E.W. (1802-1869) German Lutheran Bible scholar. Great work *Christology of the Old Testament*.

Also commentaries on Psalms, Ecclesiastes, John

HENRY, Matthew (1662-1714) Welsh Presbyterian, virtually home educated. Of his great commentary Spurgeon said, "every minister ought to read it entirely and carefully through once at least"

HILARY of Poitiers (ca.300-367) Greatest Latin theologian of his age, 'the Athanasius of the West'. Banished from his bishopric for opposition to Arianism, he composed his most famous work, *De Trinitate (On the Trinity)*. As poet and hymn writer, second only to Ambrose in ancient church

HODGE, A.A. (1823-1886) Born (and died) at Princeton, NJ. Son of Charles, but a theologian first, not commentator. Wrote *Outline of Theology; The Atonement*

HODGE, Charles (1797-1878) Philadelphian Presbyterian. Trained 3000 ministers over 50 years at Princeton. Wrote *Systematic Theology*, commentaries on Romans, Corinthians, Ephesians

HOOKER, Richard (ca.1553-1600) Church of England apologist, whose *Laws of Ecclesiastical Polity*, while defending episcopal government, took a moderating view of dissident Protestants. Arminian in sympathy, he naturally opposed Calvinist positions

HORT, Fenton J.A. (1828-1892) Cambridge NT scholar. With B.F. Westcott, responsible for Greek text behind Revised NT. Several works (some not complete) on NT published after death (e.g. 1 Peter, Revelation 2-3)

IGNATIUS of Antioch (ca.40-ca.115) Bishop of Antioch, Syria, and direct link with apostles. His epistles, written on road to martyrdom in Rome, refute the claim that the early church did not teach Deity of Christ, bodily resurrection, episcopal government. Needless to say, he's ignored by unorthodox (e.g. Watchtower *Trinity* brochure)

INGE, William R. (called Dean, and later Sir) (1860-1954) One of the most influential clergymen of the first half of this century. Almost prophetic in his pessimism. Wrote (from liberal C.of E. position) *Faith & Knowledge, Christian Mysticism, Lay Thoughts of a Dean*

IRENAEUS (ca.130-ca.202) Bishop of Lyons, trained by

Polycarp. His greatest work *Against Heresies* (ca.185) was first work to utilize (more or less) complete New Testament. Apparently died a martyr after having converted nearly all of Lyons & launched missions

IRONSIDE, Henry A. (Harry) (1876-1951) Born in Toronto, educated in California. Began Salvation Army, became Brethren. Over 60 books, expositions of most of Bible

JEROME (ca.340-420) The greatest linguistic scholar of the ancient church, responsible for the Latin Vulgate, the official Bible of the RC church for over a millenium. Lived a rigorously ascetic life and also wrote commentaries from monastery in Bethlehem

JOHN OF THE CROSS (1542-1591) Spanish Carmelite mystic, his *Dark Night of the Soul* and other works represent the Catholic mystic tradition at its best

JOWETT, John Henry (1864-1923) Congregational, succeeded R.W. Dale at Carr's Lane, Birmingham (called the finest church in the world by A.T. Pierson). Many devotional books of sermons, and a famous work on preaching

JUSTIN 'MARTYR' (ca.100-166) Palestinian Platonist, converted after elderly saint witnessed to him of the superior antiquity of the Hebrew prophets. His *Apologies* meet the philosopher on own ground; in *Dialogues* he becomes a Jew to the Jew

KEIL, J.K.F. (1807-1888) Lutheran from Saxony. One of the greatest OT scholars of the 19th century, collaborated with Franz Delitzsch on greatest set of conservative OT commentaries yet to appear; also wrote many NT commentaries

KELLOGG, Samuel H. (1839-1899) Princeton Presbyterian. Worked on Hindi OT. Author of notable works on prophecy and OT, great commentary on Leviticus

KELLY, William (1821-1906) Dublin born, one of the Brethren's greatest scholars, edited J.N. Darby's works. A prolific writer, wrote many commentaries

KENYON, Sir Frederick G. (1863-1952) One of England's outstanding philologists and archaeologists; wrote many books defending the trustworthiness of the Bible: *Our Bible*

and the Ancient Manuscripts; Handbook of the Textual Criticism of the New Testament; The Text of the Greek Bible; The Bible and Modern Scholarship

KIERKEGAARD, Soren (1833-1855) Danish theologian, just as influential as 'existentialist' philosopher. His attacks on established church, stress on personal faith, have had vast influence on 20th century thought. Works include *Either/Or*, *Concluding Scientific Postscript* and *Fear and Trembling*

KITTO, John (1804-1854) Born in Plymouth, became, despite deafness and limited education, great Bible teacher. Famous for his *Cyclopaedia*, *Daily Bible Illustrations*

KRUMMACHER, F.W. (1796-1868) German reformed preacher. Works on OT characters include *Elijah the Tishbite*; *The Prophet Elisha*; *David the King of Israel*; as well as *The Suffering Saviour*

KUYPER, Abraham (1837-1920) Dutch Reformed theologian, became Prime Minister of Holland. Wrote *Calvinism*; *The Work of the Holy Spirit*; *Principles of Sacred Theology*

LANGE, Johann Peter (1802-1884) German reformed exegete and theologian, his *Theological and Homiletical Commentary* is a standard. Many other works, including a great *Life of Jesus*

LAW, William (1686-1761) English divine, his *Serious Call to a Devout and Holy Life* influenced generations to more careful obedience, including Doddridge and Wesley

LEIGHTON, Robert (1611-1684) Scottish theologian, educated Univ. of Edinburgh, attempted to harmonize his early Presbyterianism with later Anglicanism. Laboured hard for unity, sympathetic to Jansenists & Catholics. Wrote great commentary on 1 Peter

LENSKI, Richard C.H. (1864-1936) German-born American Lutheran scholar, wrote massive (10,000 pages) commentary on entire NT

LIDDON, Henry Parry (1829-1900) Oxford High Church divine, wrote definitive *Divinity of Our Lord & Saviour Jesus Christ*, as well as a notable commentary on Romans, and a massive biography of Pusey. Turned down bishopric, but

was canon of St. Paul's Cathedral, where he is buried. Sympathetic to reunion with Rome

LIGHTFOOT, Joseph B. (1828-1889) Perhaps England's greatest NT and patristics scholar of Victorian era. Became Bishop of Durham, but still completed definitive works on Galatians, Philippians, Colossians and apostolic fathers.

LLOYD-JONES, David Martyn (-1980) Welsh Presbyterian preacher, succeeded Campbell Morgan at Westminster Chapel. His 40 year incumbency resulted in multivolume expositions on Romans and Ephesians, many works

LUTHER, Martin (1483-1546) German reformer. Influence extends beyond writings, but commentaries, especially on Galatians, more influential than any but Calvin's.

MACARTNEY, Clarence E.N. (1879-1957) American Presbyterian pastor and preacher, author of 47 books, mostly sermons. A key figure in the conservative/modernist controversy of the 20s and 30s

MACHEN, John Gresham (1881-1937) Princeton theologian, and founder, after Presbyterian modernist controversy, of Westminster Seminary. Wrote *Christianity and Liberalism*; *What is Faith?*; *The Virgin Birth of Christ*

MACKINTOSH, Charles Henry (1820-1896) Irish Brethren devotional writer, his *Notes on the Pentateuch* (6 vol.) have nourished generations of Christians

MACKINTOSH, Hugh Ross (1870-1936) Church of Scotland theologian, many influential works: *Doctrine of the Person of Jesus Christ*; *The Christian Apprehension of God*; *Types of Modern Theology*; *The Christian Experience of Forgiveness*

MacLAREN, Alexander (1826-1910) Glasgow born Baptist, preached in Manchester over 50 years. Sermons, especially *Expositions of Holy Scripture*, excelled in influence only by Spurgeon's. Also did famous works on Psalms, Colossians for *Expositor's Bible*

MATHESON, George (1842-1906) Blind Church of Scotland preacher. *Studies of the Portrait of Christ*; *Representative Men (and Women) of the Bible* had wide

distribution

McCLINTOCK, John (1814-1870) American Methodist, first prez of Drew Seminary. With J.Strong compiled 12 vol. *Cyclopedia of Biblical, Theological, & Ecclesiastical Literature*, state of the art until Hastings

MELANCTHON, Phillip (1497-1560) After Luther, the greatest figure of the German Reformation. Composer of the Augsburg Confession & Apology, his spirit was more irenic (some would say compromising) than many reformers. His greatest work *Loci Communes, Rerum Theologicarum*. Buried beside Luther at Wittenberg

MEYER, Frederick B. (1847-1929) London Baptist pastor, his devotional books have had enormous circulation. They include many portraits of Bible characters, including Peter, Paul, David, Moses, Abraham.

MEYER, Heinrich A.W. (1800-1873) Lutheran NT scholar, helped edit Luther's NT. Fame rests chiefly on the massive commentary named after him, which he edited and to which he contributed the volumes on the gospels, Acts and some epistles

MILLIGAN, George (1860-1934) Scot NT scholar, one of the greatest authorities on Greek papyri. Many works, including (with Moulton) *Vocabulary of the Greek Testament*

MILLIGAN, William (1821-1893) Edinburgh theologian and NT scholar. On Revised Version committee. Many works, including famous commentary on Revelation

MOFFATT, James (1870-1944) Scot NT scholar, taught at Oxford and Union Theological Seminary, N.Y. Produced one of the most famous Bible translations of this century, and edited a complete NT commentary. Many other writings, including Hebrews (in International Critical Commentary) and a much-used NT introduction

MOODY, Dwight L. (1837-1899) Not an ordained minister, but the most effective American evangelist of the 19th century. Wrote many devotional books, including *Prevailing Prayer*

MORGAN, G. Campbell (1863-1945) Congregational preacher, books have had unprecedented circulation. Expositions of gospels, Isaiah, Genesis, Hosea, Malachi,

Corinthians, Acts and more

MOULE, Handley C.G. (1841-1920) Anglican scholar, Bishop of Durham (1901). Chaplain to Queen Victoria (1898-1901). At Cambridge produced many learned and devout books especially on Paul's epistles

MURRAY, Andrew (1828-1917) South African Reformed Minister. Wrote many devotional classics on deeper life, including *Abide in Christ; The Holiest of All* (on Hebrews); *With Christ in the School of Prayer*

NEWMAN, John Henry (1801-1890) Born in London, Oxford-trained. With Keble, Froude, Pusey, formed the Tractarian or Oxford movement to reform the Church of England. In 1845 became Roman Catholic. Became priest, then cardinal. His *Apologia Pro Vita Sua* is classic defense of Roman claims. Also wrote hymn *Lead Kindly Light* and *The Idea of the University*. Collections of sermons also eagerly sought.

NICOLL, Sir William Robertson (1851-1923) Scot editor and author. Edited *British Weekly* and *Expositor*, as well as *The Expositor's Dictionary of Texts*, *The Expositor's Greek Testament* and *The English Bookman*

OLSHAUSEN, Hermann (1796-1839) German Lutheran scholar, undertook commentary on NT, left off at Thessalonians at his death from tuberculosis

ORIGEN (ORIGENES ADAMANTIUS) (c.185-c.254) Greatest scholar of ancient church, though some of his views later came to be viewed as heretical by orthodoxy (e.g. semi-Arian view of Christ). Among his vast output were many commentaries and the Hexapla, a Bible in six columns, called by Westcott "the greatest textual enterprise of ancient times". An extreme ascetic, he died in the Decian persecution

ORR, James (1844-1913) Scottish theologian, apologist. Wrote *The Christian View of God and the World; The Progress of Dogma; The Problem of the Old Testament; The Resurrection of Jesus*.

OWEN, John (1616-1683) Chaplain of Cromwell, perhaps the most eminent of Puritan divines. Wrote *On the Holy Spirit; Epistle to the Hebrews; Christologia; The Glory of*

Christ, much more.

PALEY, William (1743-1805) Cambridge scholar and C. of E. rector, his great apologetic works *Evidences of Christianity* and *Natural Theology* shaped the evidential approach of generations of Christian apologists. Also wrote *Horae Paulinae, or the Truth of the Scripture History of St. Paul* and *Principles of Moral & Political Philosophy*

PARKER, Joseph (1830-1902) English Congregational preacher, in late Victorian era nearly as famous as Spurgeon. His *People's Bible* is a classic of exposition. Gave much of his income to England's poor and championed downtrodden.

PASCAL, Blaise (1623-1662) French mathematician, one of the greatest scientific minds of all time; invented calculator and discovered Theory of Probability. Conversion led to his involvement with Jansenists. His *Provincial Letters*, in addition to being a masterpiece of French prose, is a masterful defense of grace against Jesuit claims. Left planned apologetic work unfinished at death, the notes becoming his famous *Pensees*.

PIERSON, Arthur T. (1837-1911) Presbyterian preacher (though immersed in 1896) replaced ill Spurgeon in Metropolitan pulpit (1891-93). Wrote *Keys to the Word*; *New Acts of the Apostles*; *The Bible and Spiritual Criticism*

PINK, Arthur W. (1886-1952) English devotional writer. *The Attributes of God*; *The Sovereignty of God*; *Gleanings (in Genesis, ...in Exodus, ...in Joshua, ...in Paul, ...in the Godhead)*; *Gospel of John*.

PLUMMER, Alfred (1841-1926) Great Church of England NT scholar and historian, though never was ordained beyond deacon. Many commentaries, including classics on Matthew and Luke and both Corinthians (the last 3 for ICC)

PLUMPTRE, Edward Hayes (1821-1891) Church of England clergyman, one of the greatest Scripture exegetes of his day. Many OT and NT commentaries. Served on the Old Testament Revision Committee (1870-74)

PUSEY, Edward B. (1800-1882) Oxford scholar, perhaps the greatest Hebraist of the C. of E. Joined the Tractarian movement, but though a lifelong friend of Newman never

became a Romanist. Became the recognized leader of the Anglo-Catholic party in the C. of E. Wrote 8-volume commentary on Minor Prophets, a classic defense of the historicity of Daniel and co-edited the *Oxford Library of the Fathers* (50 volumes).

RAMSAY, Sir William M. (1851-1939) Scot archaeologist (for which he was knighted), Oxford scholar. Came to believe in authority of NT by confirming historical detail of book of Acts. Many books on Paul, early church

RAWLINSON, George (1812-1902) Camden professor of ancient history of Oxford. Works confirmed Bible, including many commentaries, *Seven Great Monarchies*; *Historical Evidences of the Truth of the Scripture Records*

ROBERTSON, Frederick William (1816-1853) Church of England preacher, educated at Edinburgh and Oxford. A Celt whose fire in the pulpit and Socialist sympathies led to great -- but short -- ministry in Brighton. Left only sermon notes

ROBERTSON, A.T. (1863-1934) Southern Baptist NT scholar, son-in-law of J. Broadus, and his successor at Southern Baptist Seminary, Louisville. Many books, including monumental *Grammar of the Greek New Testament*

RYLE, John Charles (1816-1900) Cheshire Church of England minister, became bishop of Liverpool. *Expository Thoughts on the Gospels* (7 vol); *Knots Untied*; *Holiness*; *Christian Leaders of the Last Century*

SANDAY, William (1843-1920) Oxford C. of E. New Testament scholar, produced *Life of Christ in Recent Research*, *Christologies Ancient and Modern*, 2 works on the Gospel of John, and (with Headlam) a great commentary on Romans. Many more.

SAPHIR, Adolph (1831-1891) Jewish convert to Christ, became Presbyterian minister. Wrote *Christ and Israel*; *Divine Unity of Scripture*; *Christ and the Scriptures*; an exposition of Hebrews

SAUER, Erich Billy Graham said: "Dr. Sauer's books should be in the hands of every Christian." Wrote *Dawn of World Redemption*; *King of the Earth*; *Triumph of the*

Crucified; In the Arena of Faith; From Eternity to Eternity

SAVONAROLA (1452-1498) During the renaissance, the greatest reformer of the Roman Catholic church. His years of preaching against corruption from his home base in Florence led to his being offered (as mollification) cardinalship, which he refused. His prophetic protest led to his being hung and burned, but inspiration fuelled Reformation

SCHAFF, Philip (1819-1893) One of America's most distinguished and prolific scholars, born and educated in Germany. His great works 8-vol. *History of the Christian Church* and 3-vol. *Creeeds of Christendom*. Attempted to emphasize Christian unity on essentials. Also edited *Schaff-Herzog Encyclopedia* and U.S. edition of Lange's commentary.

SCROGGIE, W. Graham (1877-1959) Scot scholar, preacher. *Guide to the Gospels; The Great Unveiling; Know Your Bible; Unfolding Drama of Redemption; The Fascination of the Old Testament, The Love Life*

SEISS, Joseph A. (1823-1904) Lutheran minister, editor of *Prophetic Times*. Wrote commentary on *The Apocalypse; The Last Times*, controversial books on the great pyramid, primeval astrology

SHEDD, William G.T. (1820-1894) American Presbyterian theologian, upheld traditional orthodoxy against modernism at Union Theological Seminary. Famous works include commentary on Romans, *History of Christian Doctrine, Doctrine of Endless Punishment, and Dogmatic Theology* (3 vol.)

SIMEON, Charles (1759-1836) Church of England clergyman, centre of evangelical influence at Cambridge for 54 years. Instrumental in emphasis on missions, and author of *Horae Homiletica*, a study of all scripture

SIMPSON, A.B. (1844-1919) Presbyterian minister, born in P.E.I., educated here at Knox. Founder of Christian and Missionary Alliance. Author of more than 70 books, many on Holy Spirit, higher life

SMITH, George Adam (1856-1942) Scottish OT expert, wrote *Historical Geography of the Holy Land*,

Jerusalem, famous commentaries on Isaiah, Jeremiah and minor prophets, a bio of Drummond

SMITH, Wilbur M. (1894-1976) American Presbyterian bibliophile and author. 38 years as editor of *Peloubet's* Sunday School notes, and several books on books, excellent resources for students and pastors

SPURGEON, Charles Haddon (1834-1892) English Baptist preacher, a latter-day Puritan. Many volumes of sermons (2000+ total) *Treasury of David* (7 vol. on Psalms), *Lectures to My Students; Commenting and Commentaries*

STALKER, James (1848-1927) Scottish Free Church teacher. *Lives of Christ; Paul; Imago Christi; The Beauty of the Bible; Christian Psychology; The Seven Deadly Sins*

STREETER, Burnett H. (1874-1937) Oxford NT scholar, seminal work on *The Four Gospels*, and philosophy/apologetics such as *Reality and Foundations*

STRONG, Augustus H. (1836-1921) Yale educated Baptist theologian, President of Rochester Seminary for 40 years. His *Systematic Theology* still basic. Also *Philosophy and Religion; The Great Poets & Their Theology*

STRONG, James (1822-1894) American Methodist lay scholar. In addition to monumental *Exhaustive Concordance*, did the lion's share of work on 12-vol. *McClintock & Strong Cyclopaedia of Biblical, Theological and Ecclesiastical Literature*

SWETE, Henry Barclay (1835-1917) Church of England New Testament and patristics scholar. Responsible for *The Old Testament in Greek according to the Septuagint*, 3 books on the Holy Spirit, commentaries on Mark, Revelation

TAYLOR, Jeremy (1613-1667) Church of England devotional writer, exiled under the Puritan ascendancy, during which time he wrote his famous works *Life of Liberty, Liberty of Prophesying, Holy Living and Holy Dying*

TAYLOR, William Mackergo (1829-1895) Scot preacher, latterly served at Congregational Broadway Tabernacle in NY. Many excellent character studies, including Joseph, Moses, Ruth, David, Daniel, Esther, Peter and Paul. Also *The Miracles of our Saviour*

TEMPLE, William (1881-1944) Oxford educated, son of Archbishop of Canterbury Frederick T. Became Bishop of Manchester, Archbishop of York, chaplain to both king and Archbishop of Canterbury, which he himself then became (1942). Many works, such as *Nature, Man and God* and *Studies in St. John's Gospel*. Very active in social sphere, founding World Council of Churches

TERESA of Avila (1515-1582) Spanish mystic, founder of Discalced Carmelite order. Wrote *The Way of Perfection*, *The Interior Castle* and an autobiography

TERTULLIAN (ca.160-ca.220) Carthage-born Latin father, one of the ablest apologists of the early church. Ascetic in emphasis, later became Montanist, in protest of abuses and corruption in Catholic Christianity

THAYER, Joseph Henry (1828-1901) Boston-born, Andover and Harvard educated NT lexicographer. His great work *A Greek-English Lexicon of the New Testament*. Contributed much to the American Standard Version (1901)

THOMAS a Kempis (1380-1471) German monk whose *Imitation of Christ* was the most widely distributed Christian book of the middle ages. Copied Bible 4 times

THOMAS AQUINAS (ca.1227-1274) Greatest of all Roman Catholic theologians, his *Summa Theologia*, influenced by Aristotle, is the dominant work of medieval scholasticism, 'thomism' so-called

THOMAS, W.H. Griffith (1861-1924) Church of England scholar, taught at Oxford, St. Paul's, Wycliffe (Toronto). A co-founder of Dallas Seminary. Among many valuable works, commentaries on Genesis and Romans

TORREY, Reuben A. (1856-1928) Congregational evangelist. Pastor at Moody Institute. Wrote 40 books, including *How to Pray*. On editorial committee of *The Fundamentals*

TREGELLES, Samuel Prideaux (1813-1875) English Bible scholar, with Quaker, Brethren and Presbyterian connections. A pioneer in textual criticism, expert in both Greek and Hebrew lexicography

TRENCH, Richard C. (1807-1886) Archbishop of Dublin, served at Oxford, Cambridge, and Dean of Westminster.

Famous for *Notes on Parables and Miracles of Our Lord*. Also wrote on gospels, 7 churches of Revelation

TYNDALE, William (1494-1536) Pioneer translator of the English Bible. His death at the instigation of England's established church was truly the seed of the Bible's spreading influence in England

VAUGHAN, Charles John (1816-1897) Church of England clergyman, wrote excellent Greek commentaries on Romans, Philippians, Hebrews and Revelation.

VINCENT, Marvin R. (1834-1922) American NT scholar, best known for 4-vol. *Word Studies in the New Testament*. Also a commentary on Philippians and Philemon, *History of the Textual Criticism of the New Testament*

VOS, Geerhardus (1862-1949) Dutch Presbyterian theologian. Later Princeton. *Biblical Theology; The Mosaic Origin of the Pentateuchal Codes; Pauline Eschatology; The Self-Disclosure of Jesus*

WARFIELD, Benjamin B. (1851-1921) Princeton NT scholar and theologian. Wrote *Inspiration; The Lord of Glory; Counterfeit Miracles; Perfectionism; The Plan of Salvation*

WESLEY, John (1703-1791) Founder of Methodism, though didn't wish to separate from Church of England. A prolific writer (mostly tracts), his most famous production being his *Journal*

WESTCOTT, Brooke Foss (1825-1901) Church of England NT scholar, the Greek text he laboured on (with F.J.A. Hort) is the basis of many modern translations, including the *New World* (Watchtower). His works, still indispensable, include *New Testament Canon; Introduction to the Study of the Gospels*, commentaries on John's gospel and epistles, Hebrews, Ephesians

WHITEFIELD, George (1714-1770) English preacher, C. of E. background. Early associate of Wesleys, but later emphasis more Calvinistic. Sermons still valued

WHYTE, Alexander (1837-1921) Free Church preacher. Famous for *Bible Characters; Commentary on the Shorter Catechism; Lord Teach Us to Pray; The Walk, Conversation, Character of Jesus Christ Our Lord*

WILSON, Robert Dick (1856-1930) Princeton Prof. of Semitic philology and OT, proficient in 40 languages. His language aids, *Studies in the Book of Daniel, Is the Higher Criticism Scholarly?* and *Scientific Investigation of the Old Testament* did much to rebut the critical assaults on biblical authority. In 1929 founded with Gresham Machen Westminster Seminary

WRIGHT, Charles H.H. (1836-1909) Irish Anglican OT scholar, wrote influential conservative commentaries on Daniel and Zechariah in addition to controversial works

YOUNG, Robert (1822-1888) Lay Hebrew scholar of Scottish Free Church. Responsible for groundbreaking *Analytical Concordance*, a literal translation of the Bible, several Hebrew aids

ZAHN, Theodor (1838-1933) German NT scholar, his *Introduction to the New Testament and Commentary on the New Testament* are basic conservative works

ZWINGLI, Ulrich (1484-1531) Swiss reformer, his *Commentary on True and False Religions* is a seminal work of the early Reformation. Killed in battle with Catholic forces

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I cannot neglect to acknowledge the works of the bibliographers who have contributed to my own knowledge of the riches of the Christian past. Here are some of the primary reference works that have helped in this project:

Barber, Cyril J. *The Minister's Library* (Volumes 1 & 2)
Douglas, J.D., ed. *The New International Dictionary of the Christian Church*

Moyer, Elgin S. *Who Was Who in Church History*

Reid, Daniel G.; Linder, Robert D.; Shelley, Bruce L.; Stout, Harry S.. Eds.

Dictionary of Christianity in America

Wiersbe, Warren *Listening to the Giants and Walking with the Giants*

**WHY ARE WE CHRISTIANS NOT PROPERLY *EQUIPPED*, *EDIFIED*
OR *UNITED*? WHY ARE SO MANY *UNSTABLE* AND EASILY
DECEIVED? WHY DON'T WE ACHIEVE THE FULLNESS OF
CHRIST?**

*“And he gave some as apostles, and some as
prophets, and some as evangelists, and some as
pastors and teachers, for the equipping of the saints
for the work of service, to the building up of the body
of Christ; until we all attain to the unity of the faith, and*

of the knowledge of the Son of God, to a mature man, to the measure of the stature which belongs to the fullness of Christ. As a result, we are no longer to be children, tossed here and there by waves, and carried about by every wind of doctrine, by the trickery of men, by craftiness in deceitful scheming; but speaking the truth in love, we are to grow up in all aspects into Him, who is the head, even Christ, from whom the whole body, being fitted and held together by that which every joint supplies, according to the proper working of each individual part, causes the growth of the body for the building up of itself in love”.

EPHESIANS 4:11-16