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*To
my son
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with love*

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Preface

“Search the scriptures” (John 5:39).

“They received the word with all readiness of mind, and searched the scriptures daily, whether those things were so” (Acts 17:11).

“The holy scriptures . . . are able to make thee wise unto salvation through faith which is in Christ Jesus. All scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness: that the man of God may be perfect, thoroughly furnished unto all good works” (II Timothy 3:15-17).

There is great value in studying the Bible, the Word of God. The Bible reveals the way to salvation and eternal life. It is the final authority for faith and morals, doctrine and lifestyle. It is basically plain, meant to be understood, and meant to be read and obeyed by all.

This handbook has been prepared on the premise that the average person can, when shown the scriptural evidence itself, comprehend the basic teaching of the Bible. A book of this size cannot cover all important biblical truths, but this book does present the doctrines that, according to Hebrews 6:1-2, are foundational to Christian faith and life. Moreover, heeding the admonition of Hebrews 6:1 to “go on unto perfection,” Part IV sets forth important aspects of practical Christian living.

The book has been designed for use as a reference work, for individual or group Bible study, and for witnessing. It can also be used to create color codes or chain references in a Bible. While the book seeks to be thorough, it does not try to be exhaustive. It does not necessarily list every Scripture reference that relates to a particular subject.

The most important Scripture verses under a certain topic are quoted, in whole or in part, or else their references are marked by an asterisk (*). These key verses are the most powerful texts under their respective headings and provide a summary of the biblical teaching on that subject. The unmarked Scripture references offer additional insight and support.

Due to limited scope and space, often only part of a relevant passage or verse has been reproduced. Moreover, no attempt has been made to exegete or explain the verses of Scripture cited. The reader should be careful to ascertain the total context of each verse and to use proper rules of biblical interpretation in seeking to understand the verse. To see how the author interprets and applies a certain verse, or to see why a verse is included under a particular topic, the reader is referred to the author's *Series in Pentecostal Theology*, which consists of four volumes: *The Oneness of God*, *The New Birth*, *In Search of Holiness*, and *Practical Holiness: A Second Look*. These books discuss in greater detail most of the topics and Scripture references listed in this handbook.

I GOD

“The principles of the doctrine of Christ, . . . the foundation . . . of faith toward God” (Hebrews 6:1).

A. God is One

“Hear, O Israel: the LORD our God is one LORD” (Deuteronomy 6:4).

“O LORD of hosts, God of Israel, that dwellest between the cherubims, thou art the God, even thou alone, of all the kingdoms of the earth: thou hast made heaven and earth” (Isaiah 37:16).

“Thus saith the LORD the King of Israel, and his redeemer the LORD of hosts; I am the first, and I am the last; and beside me there is no God. . . . Is there a God beside me? yea, there is no God; I know not any. . . . Thus saith the LORD, thy redeemer, and he that formed thee from the womb, I am the LORD that maketh all things; that stretcheth forth the heavens alone; that spreadeth abroad the earth by myself” (Isaiah 44:6, 8, 24).

“I am the LORD, and there is none else, there is no God beside me. . . . That they may know from the rising of the sun, and from the west, that there is none beside me. I am the LORD, and there is none else. . . . For thus saith the LORD that created the heavens; God himself that formed the earth and made it . . . I am the LORD; and there is none else. . . . There is no God else beside me; a just God and a Saviour; there is none beside me. Look unto me, and be ye saved, all the ends of the earth; for I am God, and there is none else” (Isaiah 45:5-6, 18, 21-22).

“To whom will ye liken me, and make me equal, and compare me that we may be like? . . . I am God, and there is none else; I am God, and there is none like me” (Isaiah 46:5, 9).

“I will not give my glory unto another. . . . I am he; I am the first, I also am the last” (Isaiah 48:11-12).

“And Jesus answered him, The first of all the commandments is, Hear, O Israel; The Lord our God is one Lord” (Mark 12:29).

“God is one” (Galatians 3:20).

“For there is one God, and one mediator between God and men, the man Christ Jesus” (I Timothy 2:5).

“Thou believest that there is one God; thou doest well: the devils also believe, and tremble” (James 2:19).

“A throne was set in heaven, and one sat on the throne” (Revelation 4:2).

Exodus 20:3-5	* Isaiah 42:8
Deuteronomy 4:35	* Isaiah 43:10-11
Deuteronomy 5:7	* Isaiah 45:5-6, 14, 18,
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II Samuel 7:22	Hosea 13:4
I Kings 8:60	* Zechariah 14:9
I Chronicles 17:20	* Malachi 2: 10
Nehemiah 9:6	John 4:22-24
Job 9:8	* John 17:3
Psalms 71:22	* Romans 3:30
Psalms 83:18	I Corinthians 8:4, 6
Psalms 86:10	Ephesians 4:6
Isaiah 1:4; 5:19, etc.	I Timothy 6:15
Isaiah 40:25	I John 2:20

B. God is an Invisible Spirit

“No man hath seen God at any time” (John 1:18).

“God is a Spirit” (John 4:24).

Exodus 33:20	* I Timothy 6:15-16
Matthew 16:17	Hebrews 11:27
Luke 24:39	Hebrews 12:9
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