

# Discourses Upon The Existence And Attributes Of God Volume 1

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#### Discourses Upon the Existence and Attributes of God

The puritan pastor Stephen Charnock (1628-1680) wrote what is considered to be the fullest treatment of the attributes of God. However, today's reader may find the 1100 pages a bit daunting. Pastor Daniel Chamberlin has summarized the treatise in a reader-friendly format that maintains the theological depth and practical application of the original. No serious student of Holy Scripture can afford to be ignorant of the contents of this book.

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#### Discourses Upon the Existence and Attributes of God... - Primary Source Edition

The Existence and Attributes of God comprises the first two volumes of the works of Stephen Charnock (1628-1680), an English puritan divine who was highly skilled in philosophy, patristics, Reformed theology, and Biblical languages. These volumes are his abiding monument. They are worthy of being compared with the finest in theology. "When the existence and attributes of God are called into question, to whom else can we better go than to Stephen Charnock" . . . "those [things revealed belong to us and to our children forever]. The material that Charnock discusses is firmly founded in the Word of God" . . . "Both the Old Testament and the New emphasize these two things: First, we should study the whole revelation, not just some easy or favorite parts of it; secondly, the study of God's attributes is not dry as dust theology, but is practical; that is, it leads to righteousness" (Dr. Gordon H. Clark, from a preface to this great work in a Sovereign Grace edition, 1958). One of the greatest tragedies in these spiritually starved times is the sad fact that most Christians know so very little about their God. It is often said that this is simply because these volumes are exhaustive on the subject. Yet it is clearly filled with sublime expositions of the truth regarding God's existence and attributes. "Charnock displays God's attributes not as impersonal abstractions for the mind to juggle with, but as qualities observable in the concrete actions of the living God of which the Bible speaks. The technical terms and sometimes, arguments of scholastic theology are employed, but always with a Biblical orientation. Charnock has no desire to speculate, but only to declare the works and ways, the nature and character, of the God of the Bible. The substance of his doctrine is characteristically Puritan and representatively Reformed." (Dr. James I. Packer, in The Encyclopedia of Christianity, Volume II, p. 410) The possessor of these rare volumes will be blessed by getting acquainted with the incomparable God, and thereby will reach a higher plane of spiritual enjoyment never attained before. To know Him better is to love Him more.

#### The Existence and Attributes of God, Volume 7 of 50 Greatest Christian Classics, 2 Volumes in 1

[NOT A FACSIMILE] New Edition with both volumes in one here: <https://tinyurl.com/charnock1and2>

The Existence and Attributes of God has become a classic text on the doctrine of God, and examines in meticulous detail God's foreknowledge and sovereignty, and discusses the possibility of free will and natural law. No Reformed theologian prior to Charnock treated God's existence and attributes with such clarity and depth--in fact, his was one of the first works solely devoted to the subject to appear in the Reformed theological tradition, and has become a standard work on the subject. His positions have been echoed and refined by generations of theologians, and most recently have contributed to contemporary debates over free will, foreknowledge, and the openness of God. No doubt the sheer size of the volume has caused not a few persons to direct their reading efforts elsewhere. This is regrettable for a number of reasons, not the least of which is Charnock's ability to combine rigorous theological discourse on the doctrine of God with the typical Puritan emphasis on "uses" of the doctrine (relating doctrine and life). His work has much value on a practical level, which should be the goal of all theology. Charnock studied at Cambridge and was later made senior proctor at Oxford from 1652-1656. At Oxford he belonged to a "gathered church" with fellow Puritan stalwarts, Thomas Goodwin (1600-1680), Thankful Owen (1620-1681), and Theophilus Gale (1628-1678). After Oxford, Charnock went to Ireland where he served various churches, becoming one of the highest-paid clergy in Ireland. In 1660 he returned to England but, in the wake of the Restoration, had no pastoral charge for fifteen years. According to Richard Greaves, Charnock supported himself by practicing medicine. After ministering in private, including secret trips to Holland and France, Charnock became co-pastor in 1675 with the one-time Westminster divine Thomas Watson (c. 1620-1686), serving a Nonconformist congregation at Crosby Hall in London. In the latter years of his life he wrote Discourses upon the Existence and Attributes of God, perhaps the most extensive and incisive Puritan treatise on the doctrine of God. Charnock displays remarkable exegetical skill, familiarity with Protestant and Roman Catholic theologians on the Continent, and a beautiful way with words (particularly his metaphors and analogies). When all these factors are considered together, there is no doubt Charnock belongs to the upper echelon of Puritan theologians. This chapter will focus almost exclusively on Charnock's understanding of the attributes of God. The doctrine of God was a hugely significant topic (locus) among the Reformed orthodox. In seventeenth century England a number of Puritan theologians wrote polemical treatises refuting various errors from other theological traditions, particularly the Socinians. The doctrine of God was the foundational starting point in Reformed dogmatics and was typically arranged under five headings: the names of God, the being of God, the attributes of God, the works of God, and the persons of the Godhead. The first three categories address the doctrine of God in the strict sense. The fourth topic concerns the outworking of the divine decree and has an obvious relation to the previous three headings. The Trinity (i.e., the three persons of the Godhead) has its own category because Reformed theologians often spoke of "God" in a twofold sense: essentially and personally. Essentially, "God" refers to the divine essence or substance; personally, "God" refers to each (or all) of the three persons--Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. Connected to these categories is the humanist series of questions that were commonplace in sixteenth- and seventeenth-century academic discourse: An sit? (Whether it be so?); Quid sit? (What is it?); and Quale sit? (Of what sort is it?).

### Several Discourses Upon the Existence and Attributes of God

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### The Existence and Attributes of God: Volume 1

The most important question For A. W. Tozer, no question is more important than, "What is God like?" The desire to know God consumed his entire life and ministry. That's why those who read him come to know God more intimately. Originally preached as sermons at Southside Alliance Church in Chicago, this first volume of The Attributes of God examines ten attributes of God. It also includes a study guide

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## The Attributes of God Volume 1

This book is derived from the first of nine discourses contained in the first volume of Stephen Charnock's *The Existence and Attributes of God*. He was born in 1628 in London. He studied under Dr. William Sancroft who was once the Archbishop of Canterbury. A detailed account of his life is included in the text. The Old English style is preserved. There is one instance where Stephen Charnock initially lists a set of arguments out of the order in which he addresses them later in his writings. Since there is no other instance of this in the rest of the discourse, the sequence of the initial list has been updated to correct this obvious and unintentional error by the author. Section headings have been added to help guide the reader through his flow of thoughts. The section titles themselves are derived, wherever possible, from actual quotes in the passage. In some instances, a section break was clear but the passage that followed did not provide a straightforward statement that could be easily leveraged as a summary of the passage. Biblical references have been updated to reflect current norms.

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## The Existence of God

Despite the ubiquity of the word "God" in our daily lives, how much time do we spend actually contemplating the nature of the divine? In this volume, author A.W. Pink plumbs the Scriptures and Christian theology to compile a surprisingly detailed account of the nature of God. Even lifelong believers might be surprised by some of the findings presented in this engrossing analysis.

## The Existence of God - Light Paratext Edition

*Ten Proofs for the Existence of God* is an elegant and thoughtful disposition of the proofs of God's existence found in the Holy Quran. From the principle that the loved ones of God always meet with success to the moral awareness of human beings to the fine-tuning of the universe, Hazrat Mirza Bashir-ud-Din Mahmud Ahmad (ra), the second successor of the Promised Messiah (as), sets forth ten Quranic arguments to show with compelling force that the existence of God can be established with full certainty and in a manner which is beyond refute.

## The Attributes of God

Unknown to many, increasing numbers of conservative evangelicals are denying basic tenets of classical Christian teaching about God, with departures occurring even among those of the Calvinistic persuasion. James E. Dolezal's *All That Is in God* provides an exposition of the historic Christian position while engaging with these contemporary deviations. His convincing critique of the newer position he styles "theistic mutualism" is philosophically robust, systematically nuanced, and biblically based. It demonstrates the need to maintain the traditional viewpoint, particularly on divine simplicity, and spotlights the unfortunate implications for other important Christian doctrines—such as divine eternity and the Trinity—if it were to be abandoned. Arguing carefully and cogently that "all that is in God is God Himself," the work is sure to stimulate debate on the issue in years to come.

## Ten Proofs for the Existence of God

Stephen Charnock was a highly regarded seventeenth-century English Puritan theologian whose writings have continued to influence the church for centuries. He is known for his sophisticated approach to topics such as the existence and attributes of God, the person and work of Christ, and the doctrine of sin. This ebook, edited by Mark Jones, contains an updated and unabridged edition of Charnock's

classic work, *Discourses upon the Existence and Attributes of God*, written to instruct and encourage Christian pastors, theologians, and laypeople. Jones precedes each discourse with an introductory summary that explains Charnock's general approach. In this clear, modernized presentation of this classic work, readers will experience his skillful exegesis, his influential way with words, his insight into human nature, his concern with the practical implications of who God is, and his Christ-focused approach to theology.

### The Complete Works of Stephen Charnock

The doctrine of God is the foundation of Christian theology and the prerequisite of all true faith. This translation provides, in the words of Hendriksen, 'a spiritual treat' for the serious reader.

### A Portrait of God

The most important question we can ask... For A. W. Tozer, there is no question more important than, "What is God like?" The desire to know God consumed his entire life and ministry. That's why those who read him come to know God more intimately. Originally preached as sermons to the Avenue Road congregation in Toronto, this follow-up to *The Attributes of God Volume 1* examines ten more attributes of God. It also includes a study guide for an in-depth look at each attribute: Self-Existent Transcendent Eternal Omnipotent Immutable Omniscient Wise Sovereign Faithful Loving Steeped in Scripture and filled with the Spirit, Tozer preached with striking clarity and power. The sense of his sermons comes through on every page, bringing the Word of God to bear upon you.

### All That Is in God

A lightly-edited, refreshed version of Stephen Charnock's 1682 classic work on the character of God, *Boundlessly Good* explores God's pervasive goodness in everything He does. Stephen Charnock was a 17th-century English Puritan and theologian who saw the importance of understanding the nature and character of God. His book *Discourses upon the Existence and Attributes of God* (published posthumously) is one of the most exhaustive, profound books ever written on the character of God. A magnificent collection of sermons and discussions, *Discourses* explores the revealed character of God in Scripture and argues that the attributes of God have a practical weight in the day-to-day life of the Christian. We wanted to provide a readable version of Charnock's work, and so updated language, cleaned up punctuation, and provided paragraph and chapter breaks, all while maintaining the original integrity of Charnock's work. When you read this, you are "reading Charnock". We are working to make the entire original *Discourses* readable in the *Boundlessly Good* series. This book, *Boundlessly Good*, is the first installment of that project. This book is published by a non-profit foundation, with any profits to be recycled into missions and other ministry.

### The Existence and Attributes of God (2-volume set)

In this first volume Blake T. Ostler explores Christian and Mormon notions about God. Written for both Mormons and non-Mormons interested in the relationship between Mormonism and classical theism, his path-breaking *Exploring Mormon Thought: The Attributes of God* is a critique of classical theism regarding some of the central concepts that have formed the Christian understanding of God. He deals with questions of traditional philosophical theology including free will and foreknowledge, the nature of God and Christology. The approach to these questions is from the analytic philosophical tradition and includes detailed arguments relating to the coherence of Christian belief, scripture and practice. However he recognizes that religious faith is far more a product of intimacy with the divine than of ultimacy of reason, more a product of relationships than of logical necessities. He provides an overview of the most influential Christian notions of deity, exploring themes and resources within this discourse that might be helpful to Latter-day Saint explorations. Also highlighted are various perspectives within Mormonism itself including a detailed analysis of Joseph Smith's *Lectures on Faith* and discussion of the thought of Orson and Parley Pratt, B. H. Roberts and John Widstoe. Earlier Mormon thought is demonstrated to have included a concept of God as a being in process. He suggests areas in which Mormon approaches to questions about free agency and God's omnipotence might suggest resolutions to some of the difficult issues that have troubled theologians and philosophers for centuries. For the first time ever Ostler formulates a systematic Mormon Christology.

### The Doctrine of God



If God is holy, then He can't sin. If God can't sin, then He can't sin against you. If He can't sin against you, shouldn't that make Him the most trustworthy being there is? Bestselling author Jackie Hill Perry, in her much anticipated follow-up to *Gay Girl, Good God*, helps us find the reason we don't trust God—we misunderstand His holiness. In *Holier Than Thou*, Jackie walks us through Scripture, shaking the dust off of "holy" as we've come to know it and revealing it for what it really is: good news. In these pages, we will see that God is not like us. He is different. He is holy. And that's exactly what makes Him trustworthy. As it turns out, God being "holier than thou" is actually the best news in the world, and it's the key to trusting Him.

#### Discourses Upon the Existence and Attributes of God

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