

# A Divine Religion

by J.C. Philpot

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*J.C. Philpot emphasizes the transformative power of a divine religion rooted in faith and the work of the Holy Spirit in believers' lives.*

**Scripture:** John 6:55, 1 Corinthians 2:5, Colossians 2:8, Colossians 3:2, James 4:7

**Topics:** "True Faith", "Spiritual Transformation"

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## Description

J.C. Philpot emphasizes the importance of a faith that relies on the power of God rather than human wisdom. He contrasts the emptiness of a religion based on rituals and outward appearances with the beauty and richness of a relationship with Christ and His divine kingdom in the heart. Philpot urges his listeners to experience the sweetness and transformative power of a divine religion, which illuminates the truth, stirs the soul to seek God's kingdom, directs affections towards heavenly things, and convicts the conscience to turn away from evil.

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Our great desire for ourselves in personal experience and in all that we bring before our readers, either as written by our own pen or that of others, is a faith which stands not in the wisdom of men, but in the power of God. We dearly love vital religion; we embrace, with all the affections of our heart, the power of God, as put forth in a sinner's soul; we see more and more the deceitfulness and hypocrisy of a religion in the letter and in the flesh, and we see more and more the beauty and blessedness, the grace and glory of a revealed Christ, and of his divine kingdom set up in the heart. Husks and shells are all that the letter gives. Marrow, fatness, honey, milk, wine, yes, more, the very flesh and blood of the Lamb--this heavenly food in the eating and drinking of which is eternal life, the Holy Spirit gives to the hungry and thirsty saints of God, when he applies the living word with a divine power to their hearts.

Get, dear friends, a taste of the sweetness and blessedness of a divine religion, and it will kill you to all other. It will be a light in your understanding, to see the miserable end of a graceless profession; a life in your soul, to stir you up to seek more and more of the inward kingdom of God; a power in your affections, to fix them more on things above; and feeling in your conscience, to depart more and more from evil.

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