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## **Dedication**

To Don DeWelt, whose use of words has been a source of edification and encouragement to me and to multitudes,

And to friends from the Copeland Christian Church whose generosity has made this publication possible.



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## Introduction

It has been suggested that the human being only learns to speak when spoken to. Individuals who have been isolated from all contact with words are incapable of using them.

In this regard it is significant to note that God spoke to Adam in the Garden of Eden. The words which He used were vehicles of communication. Like windows to the soul they opened the mind of man to the thoughts of God.

We may critically say that "words are cheap" and that "actions speak louder than words," but we should not forget that the use of words was first of all employed by God.

Neither should we forget that Jesus Christ is described as the "Word" of God. The unseen Spirit God revealed to us the fullness of His Godhead in a human body. Jesus became that vehicle or "Word" by which God communicates His nature to the world which He has created.

This little volume is a compilation of short stories and articles which were written over a period of many years. They cover a wide variety of subjects, but hopefully each will bring light to your mind and ultimately result in the advancement of Christianity. Words can be like windows to the soul, providing enlightenment to make your labors more fruitful and effective for the cause of Christ.

Since some of these studies involve Greek and Hebrew words I harbor the inward fear that someone may mistakenly think that I am a scholar of Hebrew and Greek. I am not. I

have never studied Hebrew and have taken only a smattering of Greek.

The research which I have done has basically been in English. The books which I have used are easily obtained and can hopefully enrich the life and ministry of any Bible student.

Most Bible students will agree that the Bible is itself the best commentary on the Bible. When we come across a word which we do not understand it is important to see how the Holy Spirit uses that same word in other places. The committed Christian is promised wisdom when it is asked for in faith and those who are spiritual are granted special insight and understanding into the mind of the Spirit.

My studies have therefore been centered in the Scriptures. I have used a number of different versions of the Bible together with "Interlinear" Bibles, and I have prayerfully sought to know and to obey the Word of God.

To understand the meaning of Bible words in their original language I have also consulted:

*Vine's Expository Dictionary of New Testament Words*

*Vine's Expository Dictionary of Old and New Testament Words*

*Dictionary of New Testament Theology* (three volumes edited by Colin Brown)

*Strong's Exhaustive Concordance*

*Theological Wordbook of the Old Testament* (two volumes edited by Harris, Archer, and Waltke and designed to be used with *Strong's Exhaustive Concordance*)

*Young's Analytical Concordance*

*Thayer's Greek-English Lexicon*

And a wide variety of commentaries and other sources of information.

## INTRODUCTION

By comparison with the works of a scholar this little volume of essays is utterly insignificant. I can only say that they represent many hours of prayerful study in my own life and that I feel a compulsion to share them with others.

Thank you for taking time from your life to share these "words" with me. May they be like "windows" to your soul.

Yours and His,  
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