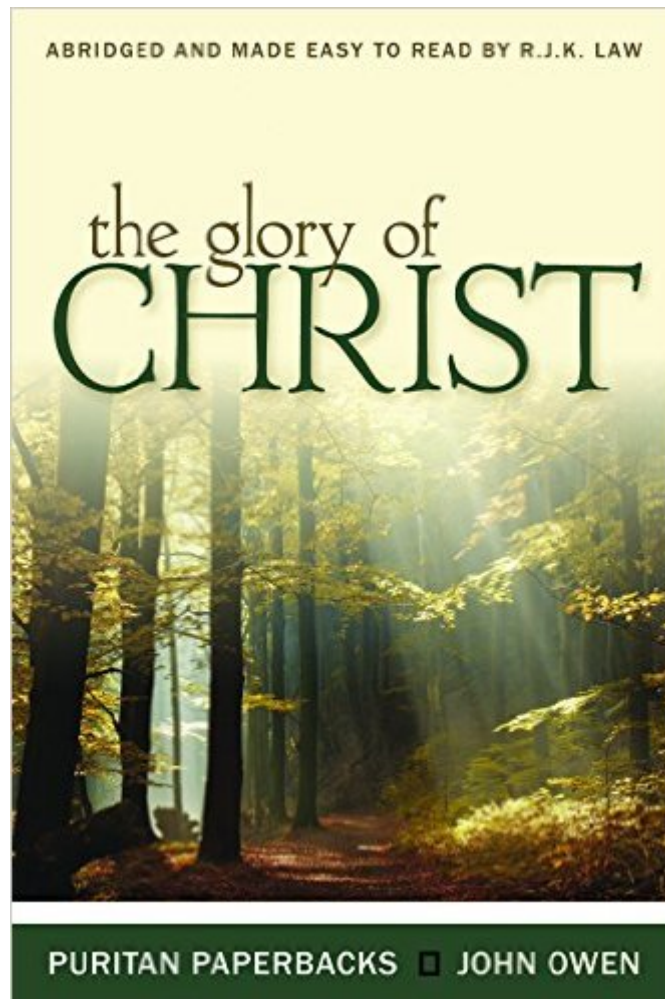


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The Glory Of Christ (Puritan Paperbacks: Treasures Of John Owen For Today's Readers)



Synopsis

In *The Glory of Christ*, here abridged and made easy to read, we have the great Puritan pastor and theologian John Owen at his richest and most mature. Here he writes about Jesus Christ, the heart of the gospel. Owen himself tells us that the substance of the work began in his own private meditation and study and only later was shared with his congregation. Here, then, is a master theologian writing about the things, or better, the person, nearest to his heart. The work itself was composed almost at the end of Owen's life and first published in 1684, the year after his death. Indeed, the material in chapters fifteen to seventeen of this abridgment appeared for the first time in the second edition of 1696, having been found among Owen's papers only after his death but clearly intended as the closing section of the work. On the day of Owen's death (24 August 1683) William Payne, a minister in Saffron Walden who had accepted responsibility for seeing the manuscript of this work through to publication, visited him in Ealing (now part of London) to share the good news that *Meditations on the Glory of Christ* was now going through the press. Owen's biographers record his memorable and beautiful reply: I am glad to hear it; but, O brother Payne! the long-wished-for day is come at last, in which I shall see that glory in another manner than I have ever done, or was capable of doing in this world. It is clear from these pages that Owen had already seen the glory of Christ from afar and pondered long on its significance. His teaching is well-suited to bring us to share in his longing to know Christ better, to see his glory more clearly and to serve him more faithfully. It is the conviction of the publisher that many readers will discover this book to be one of the hidden treasures of Christian literature and will return to it again and again for instruction and spiritual refreshment.

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To meditate on the person of Christ in all His glory will be beneficial to anyone who love the Christ of the Scriptures. Any book that can help us to see something of His glory is certainly worthy of our time and attention. John Owen was undoubtedly one of the great Puritan theologians, and among the greatest theologians that the Church of Christ has ever had. Most would agree that Owens style of writing makes him much more difficult to read than some other prominent Puritans such as Thomas Watson, Jeremiah Burroughs, Richard Baxter and Thomas Manton. Since many find Owen so difficult to read hopefully the abridgements that R.J.K. Law has done will give some of John Owens more important works the wider audience which they so richly deserve. Owens 'Meditations on the Glory of Christ' were first published a year after his death. John Owen being near death contemplated much on the Glory of his Saviour and these meditations are the fruit of those contemplations at that time in his life. In the chapter 'Beholding the Glory of Christ by Faith and by Sight' Owen writes on p.102 "The actual sight of Christ is what all the saints of God desire in this life more than anything else-to depart to be with Christ(Phil.1:23); 'to be absent from the body and present with the Lord'(2Cor.5:8). Those who do not long for this sight of Christ's glory as their highest joy are unspiritual and blind." "When we contemplate the glory of Christ our minds soar from the things of earth and we are enabled to set our hearts on the things above. If your love for the Lord Jesus Christ is waning, this is one of those rare books(that under God's blessing) can take that spark of love and fan it into a roaring flame.

If you only read the first two chapters of this book... YOU WILL BE BLOWN AWAY. This edition is really nice because the language is updated to modern English. This is the #1 book I give to friends. And I ask that they simply read chapters 1 and 2. This is good advice, because it seems quite doable to just read two small chapters. Seriously, if they would just read those two chapters, they would be saved from so much modern religious nonsense that goes on in churches. This book addresses many of the modern errors of Evangelicalism. It makes a solid case that Jesus is the antidote to the inventions of men who would create a Christless religion (and who would do so in the name of Christ -- yes, Owens predicts that too). Just read the first two chapters of this book, and you will be so pleased.

An outstanding abridged book from Owen that will blow your mind and show you the glory of Christ in ways you never thought of before. Owen will show you Christ and you will walk about more amazed at Christ than Owen.

There's so much uplifting, helpful content in this book, really points the believer to the importance of beholding the glory of Christ. Owen spends several chapters laying out the glory of Christ in various ways (His person, mediatorial work, humbling Himself, and being exalted). He then offers some chapters dealing with the challenges of beholding by faith. This is an updated version and not difficult to read. If you're looking for a book to direct your mind & heart to worship the Savior, this is a great one!

What a book! I love the Puritans especially John Owen. I want all of his books ...What insight into the WORD of GOD what's wonderful is they always use the WORD in their writings...not their own words but mostly God's then expound on it...

I really enjoy this book. I thought that I knew something of the glory of Christ, but upon reading this, it showed me Mr. John Owen's remarkable gift of God in pulling Scripture into his bosom and projecting it through his own God-given understanding for the world to profit by. This book will have you meditating on the Word of God and Christ's matchless and supreme glory, majesty and beauty all day long.

Reading and meditating through this book was the highlight of my vacation! I hope to read a lot more of John Owen.

Wonderful book! It is a must read for every Christian.

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