

Knowing God's Will; 80 pages; Zondervan,; 9780310867845; Zondervan, 2009; 2009

Knowing God's Will book. Read reviews from world's largest community for readers. The Christians I come in contact with almost unanimously want to know G... Goodreads helps you keep track of books you want to read. Start by marking "Knowing God's Will" as Want to Read: Want to Read saving... Want to Read. Currently Reading. Read. Other editions. Enlarge cover. Knowing God is a book by J. I. Packer, a British-born Canadian Christian theologian. It is his best-known work, having sold over 1,000,000 copies in North America alone. Originally written as a series of articles for the Evangelical Magazine, it was first published as a book in 1973 and has been reprinted several times. In 2006, the influential evangelical magazine Christianity Today listed it as fifth on their list of "The Top 50 Books That Have Shaped Evangelicals". But if God gives us books they will ever be broken fragments, not always clear or consistent or logical, lacking conclusions, and yet coming to us in life and ministering life to us. We cannot dissect Divine facts and outline and systematize them. It is only the immature Christian who demands always to have intellectually satisfying conclusions. He knew that had been God's best for him, but he had missed it. All that he could do was to ask God to put the rest of his life to some use. He became a teacher in a Bible School, but could never forget that this was only God's second-best. Knowing God's Will thoroughly accomplishes its stated purpose: "...to present a systematic study of biblical principles of guidance ...to develop a solid foundation for making these [major personal] decisions within God's will". It systematically works through teachings of scripture which relate to understanding God's guidance. But unfortunately it completely overlooks Christ's teaching concerning God's will, despite the author's following statement concerning a woman's fear that her life was not as effective for Christ as it should be: "If she only knew what Christ wanted her to do, that would God's will is a lot less mysterious than we think when we look at scriptures that bring up the will of God, and they keep just telling us to keep the commandments of God, follow the commandments of God. Go to Micah, chapter six. This is in the Old Testament, the minor prophets, those twelve short books at the very end of the Old Testament. Jonah, Micah, Nahum, Habakkuk. Find the book of Micah. He's an all knowing God. Any book that God wrote would sound awesome. When I read the Book of Mormon, it sounds stupid. You read the Koran, it sounds stupid. The read the Tao Te Ching, it sounds stupid.