A Note to the Reader

The heart of the New Testament is the crucifixion of Jesus. Therefore, this study of His death will bring you to the subject that is above all other subjects that God wants you to hear, meditate upon, and understand. Nothing in your life is more important than understanding what Jesus did for you and responding to His great gift in the way the New Testament describes. This book invites you to study carefully the New Testament and grasp the divine sacrifice that was made for you, and through your obedience to its message, take your stand at the foot of His cross. Your true happiness in this life, and your eternal salvation in the life to come, rest upon your relationship to His cross. Remember, "the word of the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God" (1 Corinthians 1:18).

The last page of this book has e-mail addresses and postal addresses where you can write to receive additional encouragement as you seek to walk with Jesus into eternal life. A companion book, *Into the Abundant Life*, details the way one can live the abundant life that Jesus has provided for us. That book contains a New Testament to help you continue your study of God's Word. Send us a note and let us know that you want it, and we will make sure you get it.