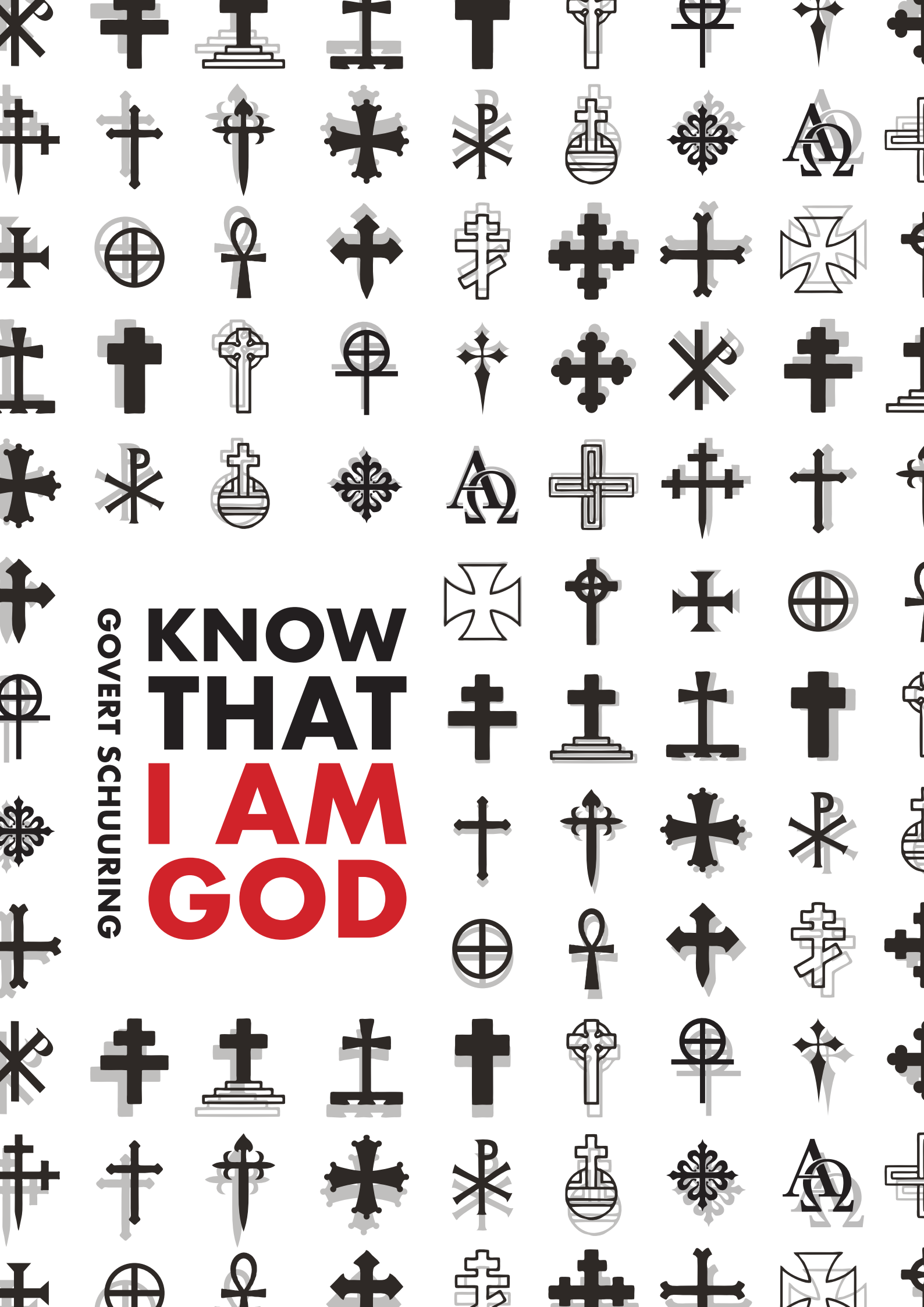


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KNOW  
THAT  
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**GOD**



Know that I am God



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"That they may be all one, as thou,  
Father, *art* in me, and I in thee, that they  
also may be one in us, that the world may  
believe that thou hast sent me."

(John 17:21)

## INTRODUCTION

Consider it from God's perspective. Can it then be that the Roman Catholic Church is the congregation of God on earth? And at the same time the Christian Reformed Church is also? And also, the Apostolic church, the Jehovah's Witnesses, the Mormons, the Evangelical Congregations, the Pentecostal Congregations, the Salvation Army, the Seventh-day Adventists and the Lutheran Churches? And many other churches and groups as well? And that all these churches and groups then often disagree with each other? And live according to all kinds of mutually divergent rules and customs? And that they often do not wish each other the light of day? That even inter-church wars have resulted from this? Can that be? And that on which you base your faith, is that how God intended it? And people from all those other churches and groups, who start from very different foundations, do they do it right too? Can that be? Or not? Or does it not matter to you? Or should everyone just accept each other? No matter what they think or do? And should God do that too? In love?

And Jesus, who prayed to his Father: "That they all may be one, ..." Has his prayer been answered? Do all believers in all those churches and groups together form the unity for which Jesus prayed? While one worships only God and the other also observes all kinds of other saints? While the one strictly observes the Sabbath, and the other the Sabbath, the one the baptism of children, the other the baptism of adults, the one the cross, the other a pole, the one likes to celebrate the Lord's Supper, the other does not dare, the one believes in miracles, the other sees that as something from the past, just like prophecy and prayer healing, the one in tithes, the other in everything, the next in nothing, the one sings rhythmically, the other not, the one speaks in tongues, the other sees that as satanic, the one relies on the Holy Spirit, the other on common sense, the one ... Can all of that be? Can they all be one? Despite their differences? Or has his prayer not been answered by the Father? Or is it just your church or group that forms the intended unity? Exclusively?

No, dear believer, that is completely impossible. Something is fundamentally wrong. All those churches and groups together do not form the unity for which Jesus prayed. No unity and harmony, but an indescribable fragmentation. A deep division whose cause is to be found in a profound satanic deception. One that has been going on for centuries. Devilish deception with which sincere believers are manipulated and encouraged to walk paths that seem to be from God, but in reality are nothing more than empty religion.

The characteristic feature that all those churches, groups and faiths share is that they have made the service of God dependent on what man thinks of it. Common sense is leading. It is dominant in the understanding of God, in the interpretation of His Word and in the administrative structure of the faith community. The Holy Spirit, who should in reality be in charge, has been displaced. Man rules, both in the church life and in the spiritual existence of the individual. The Holy Spirit is banished from daily consciousness. Where there is still some awareness of Him, He may only play the role of inspiration and help. This is not how God intended it! The way of life of a Christian and that of the believers within the faith community must be permeated by the Holy Spirit. He is not just someone who inspires and assists, but must be the undisputed Leader. He is God!

This diabolical fraud with the truth dates back to biblical times. From the very beginning, Satan has intensely fought the Church. He sowed division and urged believers to take the lead themselves. And that's exactly what happened. Man took over. He began to rule himself and there was division. Already in the first congregations. What is now, twenty centuries later, called the Christian church, is nothing more than a shocking divided monster of many thousands of churches and groups calling themselves Christian. Full of sincere people. Believers, however, who are seriously misled. So deep that they usually no longer even ask themselves what God thinks of their faith. The way of believing they adhere to and the organization of it is considered self-evident and good. They are convinced that their faith community belongs to the true Church, the Body of Christ. In reality, it is part of a bizarre cocktail of organizations and elites that is controlled by ungodly traditions, rules, doctrines, power, and ambition. None of these groups belong to the Church as God created it, but to a false alternative created by Satan. The believers involved are disarmed and must helplessly watch as a suffering world longs for the revelation of the only true God. Almost none of the current churches, groups, and faiths has anything to do with the true Church, the Body of Christ. Often one even functions in opposition to it.

Don't be offended or condemn me too quickly. Not before you have first established under what circumstances you are a Christian. In your relationship with God, it is of great importance that you gain the right understanding about it. God wants to reveal the awareness of the truth about this to everyone who asks for it sincerely. About the personal position and also about the church or group to which they belong. It is now time. The true Church exists and is among us. Different than you probably think. God wants to reveal the true Church to His believers. That the community of believers repents of the way they are going now. He wants to free people from the devilish manipulation under which they are bowing. Back to the unity for which Jesus prayed, His Body, His flock.

Despite centuries of intense attacks from Satan, it still exists, a beautiful flock with Jesus as Shepherd (John 10:14-16). A wonderful unity in which the members walk in humility, meekness, faith, and mutual love. Guided and inspired by the Holy Spirit. Satan has been able to mislead and manipulate many of the sheep who belong to the true Church. As a result, they find themselves in the wrong flocks or wander in the loneliness of a non-church existence. All of these people must be freed from their isolation or from the false church yoke under which they are bowed. A work that only God can do. His call goes out to the whole earth for this. Those who hear will be freed from that yoke, from wrong beliefs and ways of thinking. In the light of God's truth, they will see how deeply they have been misled. They will repent of this, repent, and gloriously come home to the true Church. That is what this book is about. If you dare to discover, recognize, and acknowledge the need for a turnaround, it includes a personal call for you.



## **MAN RULES**

I ask you to read this book in a prayerful and dependent attitude towards God, only then can the message be understood. It is up to the Holy Spirit to give you, as a believer, in your heart what the truth is about your personal spiritual life and the position you take in the church. Therefore, I invite you to sit down in humility at the feet of our Lord Jesus Christ. For a moment, question your religious beliefs about Him and listen to what God has to say to you through His Holy Spirit. His grace is indispensable in this, because many believers suffer from a serious problem that hinders their view of the truth: self-satisfaction. Genuine satisfaction and a certain pride in the personal interpretation of being a Christian. However, it is nothing more than a latent form of pride. I would like to explain that to you.

Many believers are actively involved in a church or congregation. Others are less so, but still count themselves as one of the faiths. There are also those who think of themselves that they believe, but do not need a church. Whatever the case may be, almost everyone is honest about their religious position. They are sincere in that. But God? His opinion is not asked. Within the personal faith experience, it is not so relevant for most what He thinks. He, the Creator of the universe, the Redeemer of sins and leader of His Church. He must conform to the opinion and conviction of the believer. The question of whether the way the personal faith is arranged is in accordance with His will, plays no or hardly any role. For most believers, this question does not even come up. It is almost impossible for them to even think that there is a possibility that they are going astray or being misled. For that, they are too much taken with their own religious interpretation of faith. God's grace is needed to be able to see that.

If you sincerely open your heart to a test of your faith against the Word of God, you will be shocked by the characteristics of your personal faith and that of the community to which you belong. You will discover that the spiritual pillars on which your life rests are largely wrong. Not in accordance with the Word of God. Incorrect spiritual pillars that have a disastrous impact on the fulfillment of daily life as a Christian. You will also come to the bewildering conclusion that you are actually functioning outside the true Church. Separate from the Body of Christ. You will discover that you belong to a false body.

Many Christians live in a state of spiritual captivity under this error. This is also true for almost all churches, groups, and other Christian denominations. An extreme example of what this can lead to was shown in a conversation I had with a young woman. She and her parents and two brothers were members of the Roman Catholic parish in the town where they lived. She

enthusiastically told me about a festive event that would take place in the church the following day. Her brother was going to receive his first holy communion, a ritual in which Roman Catholic youths go to confession for the first time and then participate in the Lord's Supper for the first time. These are children who are usually seven or eight years old. During the conversation, I asked her how she experienced God's role in this ritual. She looked at me in surprise and asked what God had to do with it. She said that she did not believe in a living God and that she did not need to. Her church was a community where she felt comfortable, with beautiful rituals and a priest at the head. God, Jesus Christ, and the Holy Spirit were pleasant components of church life and the associated customs. Pleasant symbols, but certainly not living persons. She was honest about this and saw no reason to doubt her beliefs. If there was anything wrong with her beliefs, then it was up to the priest to deal with it.

You may say that this is an exceptional case. Indeed, but the core of her way of thinking is the same as that of many people who, like her, call themselves Christians, but are in error. Of course, only a few people will deny the belief in the living God, but His input is almost everywhere nonexistent. He must be silent.

In liberal circles, it is not necessarily necessary to believe in a living God. They even have atheistic movements. Where there is a form of belief in God, He is always hierarchically below man. In more conservative churches, belief in God is indeed expected, but even there, what He finds is subordinate. The reign is in the hands of tradition, dogmas, and people who hold a higher position.

Within the Christian community, there is a widely held belief that all churches and Christian groups together form a beautiful, multicolored blanket that shows the diversity and love of God. Others consider their own specific church, group, or denomination to be the only representative of God on earth. I have been in many churches and groups and have sometimes been a part of them. Confessionals, Reformed, Evangelicals, Jehovah's Witnesses, Norwegian Brethren, Charismatics, and more. It gave me encounters with a wide variety of believers. Almost everyone was happy with the church or group to which he belonged. Including the way of faith that was used there. In conservative circles with the well-intentioned thought that they were following God's way. In other groups, this often played a less important role. They all had their own teachings, traditions, and customs. Customs and beliefs that often differed between churches and sometimes contradicted each other. So, there are thousands of churches, groups, and Christian denominations in the world. A colorful whole? No, a mess. A confusing tangle in which human thinking and governing has taken the place of the one to whom it truly belongs: God.

Falsely inspired by Satan and only emanating from human ingenuity. Tell me that all those churches and groups together are a picture of a diverse and loving God, and I will call this god a confused schizophrenic. Believers, however sincere, are massively trapped in bastions of false teachings, customs, and traditions. That is why it is necessary for God to reveal the truth to you. Pray that He will grant you the grace to be small and humble, so that you may see.

God will grant revelation to believers who sincerely want it. He will show from His Word what the nature and purpose of the true Church is, and the Christian life that goes with it. In the coming period, many will be led by the Holy Spirit away from false religious systems. There will also be those who do not do this. They will resist. They would rather stay outside the Body of Christ, in dead religion.

Do not forget, all churches and groups that resist the image of the Church as described in the Bible are spiritually dead. No matter how beautiful they may be, no matter how blessed they may seem, these churches and groups are nothing more than false alternatives to the real presence of God. This also applies to the brothers and sisters who believe that it is good to go through life without church or congregation.

The defining characteristic of the early Church was God's power. All the mental, social, moral, and religious forces of all believers together, developed to the highest level, mean nothing. In comparison to His power, it is less than a speck on a scale. O, what God can do with a soul that entrusts itself to Him!