

Knowing and Growing: Reflections on the Chapters of the New Testament | Max Frazier, Jr.

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Max Frazier is pastor, teacher and former executive director at Village Schools of the Bible. Max is my friend. It is an honor to review my friend's book *Knowing and Growing: Reflections on the Chapters of the New Testament*.

Why write a book?

I am always curious about why someone writes a book? Max writes, "I started thinking about what I would leave as a legacy to my children?" He sensed the Lord's leading as he pondered, "What stirs your heart?" Max reflected, "What always excited me was the proclamation of the Word of God. I wanted my children to begin to experience that same passion."

Layout of the book

The layout of the book is helpful. Each chapter of each New Testament book includes a general overview, a purpose statement and an outline. Max also provides, "Thoughts to Ponder". In Matthew chapter one he writes, "The purpose of the Gospel of Matthew is to give demonstration of the fact that Jesus Christ was King of the Jews. (Matthew) is very interested in the fact that Jesus fulfilled what was said about him (in the Old Testament). (page 3).

When I consider a devotional book on the Bible, I read what the author has to say about Romans 1:16, 17. Max hits it out of the ball park. "Concerning this gospel Paul declares two things. First, he is eager to preach it. Second, he was not ashamed of the gospel. There was no cowering in fear by this man. He knew that the only remedy for people's lives, the only hope against sin, was for them to hear the gospel that had the power to change lives." (page 240) Amen, Max!

Let me recommend an excellent companion devotional to your New Testament Bible reading. Take along *Knowing and Growing*. You will be blessed.

(We have a limited quantity of Max's book available at Village Schools of the Bible. Order yours today!)