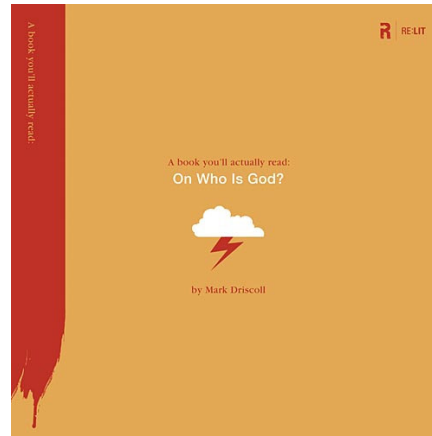


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I wanted to extend a word of thanks to Michele Bennett at Crossway for furnishing me with a review copy of Mark Driscoll's *A book you'll actually read On Who is God?*.

In the midst of our culture of ever expanding information, it can be difficult to get a clear picture of who God really is. The portraits of God painted in recent books, movies, & magazines are often confusing at their best and downright wrong at their worst. I'm confident that this short book by Mark Driscoll will be a valuable resource that will add clarity to the fragmented picture many people have of God.

Mark is very engaging as a speaker. The same style that draws you into his sermons and lectures is alive and well in his writing. The material in this book is presented in a concise and clear manner that is accessible to the philosophically and theologically astute as well as the novice. There are two focuses in this book. First, Mark wants the reader to have a better understanding of who God is, in order that they might have a life-changing relationship of loving trust with him. Second, he wants to give a philosophical and theological explanation for who God is.

The book is broken down into five chapters and two appendices.

- Chapter 1: Knowledge about God
- Chapter 2: Perspectives about God
- Chapter 3: Nature of God
- Chapter 4: Incarnation of God
- Chapter 5: Worship of God
- Appendix 1: Websites for further study
- Appendix 2: Books for further study

Throughout the entire book, Mark backs up nearly every point he makes with a scripture reference. Readers will want to have their Bibles at hand. I would also encourage readers to take the time to read through the appendices in order to get familiar with various internet and print resources that Mark has recommended to enhance the reader's study of who God is and other apologetics-related topics.

Next time you're at the local bookstore, be sure to browse through this great little book. It is a great resource to share with non-believing or recently converted friends and family. Also, this book or any of the other three books in this series would be a great gift to share with visitors at your church.

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