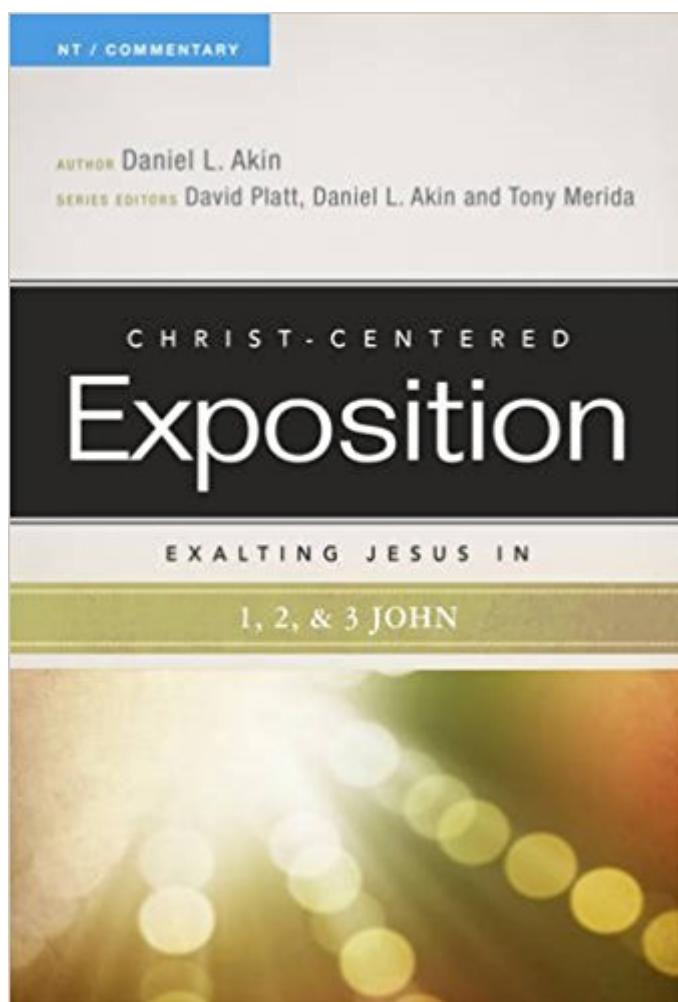


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# Exalting Jesus In 1,2,3 John (Christ-Centered Exposition Commentary)



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This book is not a traditional commentary. It does not attempt a full-scale exegesis, nor does it provide explanations of some of the subtle arguments in the Johannine Letters that bind the text together. Rather, it is an exposition of John's Letters -- demonstrated, for example, in the way most of the outlines are cast in the second person, often in the imperative, like points in many sermons. The author takes pains to connect the dominant themes of each section of the biblical text with central Christian truths. Each chapter ends with an extensive "Reflect and Discuss" section -- one of the strongest features of the book. This work will prove useful for small group study, and may encourage preachers to ponder anew how to move from what the text says to the pointed sermon.

D. A. Carson Research Professor of New Testament, Trinity Evangelical Divinity School  
Confidence in the truth and power of God's written Word should prompt pastors and

teachers not only to say worthy things about the Bible, but also to preach and teach with faithfulness. The Christ-Centered Exposition series helps us to do just that. Theologically rock solid, this series is a clear, practical, and useful guide to the kind of biblical exposition that will please the Lord and build up his church. Timothy George, Founding dean of Beeson Divinity School of Samford University and general editor of the Reformation Commentary on Scripture. There is nothing more helpful to a pastor than resources that are biblically faithful and pastorally applicable. The Christ-Centered Exposition series hits the bull's eye. I highly recommend it for anyone who wants to understand the Scripture in its context in order to apply it in real life. Darrin Patrick, Lead pastor of The Journey, St. Louis, and co-author of For the City. David Platt, Tony Akin, and Tony Merida have launched a series that will give a rising generation of pastors a tremendous resource for seeing how all the Scriptures prepare for and proclaim the ministry of Christ. The pastoral focus, the preaching tools and the redemptive insights make this a series of immediate use and great aid to pastors who want to equip their people to serve the Lord in the joyous power of the gospel. rather than in the vain pressures of servile dread or slavish fear. Bryan Chapell, President Emeritus, Covenant Seminary and Pastor, Grace Presbyterian Church. Danny Akin's commentary on 1,2,3 John will be helpful to both the pastor and the layman. He shares great biblical insight and a wealth of meaningful quotes that can enrich anyone's faith. Bryant Wright, Senior Pastor, Johnson Ferry Baptist Church, Marietta, GA. Danny Akin is not only a gifted commentator but a dynamic communicator. I highly recommend this work from the Epistles of John to the study of every Bible teacher and preacher of the Gospel. This is Truth with conviction and will strengthen the faith of all believers. Jack Graham, Pastor, Prestonwood. Danny Akin has provided for the many pastors caring for their flocks a precise and passionate survey of John's Epistles. His homiletic approach to each epistle reduces the study time for the busy pastor in their weekly preparation. If you want a commentary that holds to the integrity of Scripture, offers great thought provoking applications, and points you back to the Gospel of Jesus Christ, I suggest you add this to your collection. Bryan Loritts, Lead Pastor, Fellowship Memphis. Author, Right Color/Wrong Culture. Few things are more important for faithful biblical interpretation than reading Scripture in light of its master narrative. The Christ-Centered Exposition series aims to do just that. In a postmodern age, these commentaries provide pastors and lay people an invaluable resource that is unswervingly committed to the authority of Scripture and the centrality of the Gospel in the Bible's storyline. Dr. R. Albert Mohler Jr., President The Southern Baptist Theological Seminary. It's one thing to know Bible stories; it's another to know the story of the Bible.

It's one thing to be aware of the story's many heroes; it's another to have met the Hero himself. From the Old Testament that anticipates him, to the Gospels that manifest him, to the Book of Acts that proclaims him, to the Epistles that explain him, and to the Book of Revelation that tells of him coming again, your Bible is about Jesus. That's why I love the vision of the Christ-Centered Exposition Commentary series. It models for preachers and teachers how to proclaim—•with pastoral focus and exegetical care—the beauty of the gospel from every page of Scripture. Matt Smethurst Associate Editor for The Gospel Coalition

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I tried to find and use other commentaries but this is superior to anything I have read thus far. I heartily recommend these. 1 John was a knockout! I 've just finished Mark and now I'm reading 1 & 2 Timothy. The price was right as well. Buy one and see for yourself. I think you'll be pleasantly surprised.

I have found this series of commentaries to be one of the best Jesus-centered modern commentary sets for preachers. It is short and concise and covers some language/syntax issues, but not all. Any one would be served well to have this series on their shelf.

Daniel Akin and Tony Merida have done an excellent job of editing this set of commentaries.

Outstanding!

It worked at really well with my Sunday School lessons and with my own personal study, especially with 2nd and 3rd John, since I haven't seen a lot of study or sermons in these books.

Strong and Biblically sound. Dr Akin was the the Dean of the Seminary I attended.

Very good book. Reads like a devotional instead of a commentary.

For me this is one of best ways to study, I enjoy my quite time. Especially, with this book. The discussion questions help you with the reading. They keep you on track make you think about what you have read.

Excellent commentary; makes a good addition to the library for reference. Not to be used in place of the Scriptures however.

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