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Some people analyze everything. Jeff Vines is definitely one of those people. I have often told him that he would be a much better golfer if he would stop thinking so much about “how” the golf club should be swung and “just swing it!” “Paralysis by analysis” is Jeff’s nemesis on the golf course and, when playing a round where “loser buys lunch,” I often take advantage of this weakness.

However, what stifles Jeff’s golf game actually energizes the more important pursuits of his life. There are simply some issues that deserve a relentless pursuit toward understanding.

As a basketball coach I greatly empathize with Jeff in this regard. Watching hours of practice and game film and then successfully analyzing the defensive and offensive sets of our upcoming opponent can be the difference between winning and losing. No amount of effort is too great! And this is only a game!

For Jeff Vines, there is no greater pursuit than the pursuit of God. Understanding the way God works in this world

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and in our personal lives is paramount in Jeff's mind and deserves the greatest of analytical energies! And, his willingness to communicate his findings in such an "easy to read" style, makes this book a must for all who desire to give a clear and definitive reason for their hope and faith in God.

I truly wish I could have been with Jeff the night he had dinner with the skeptics in Brisbane, Australia. I can just see him as he asks question after question trying to assess why everyone is so angry with God, while, with humility, showing how such anger is unjustified.

As you will read, that night in Brisbane was filled with drama, passion, and suspense culminating in something far greater than a national championship in any sport. . . transformed lives!

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A black and white photograph of a man standing in a field with his arms raised in a gesture of praise or prayer. The sun is shining brightly behind him, creating a halo effect. The background shows a line of trees and a clear sky.

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