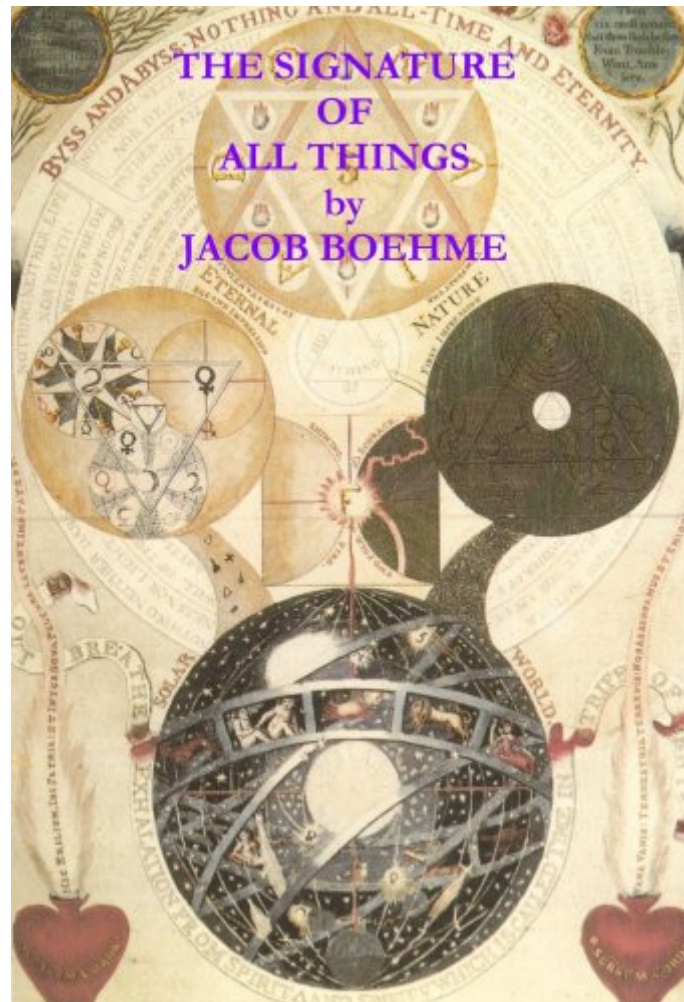


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The Signature Of All Things



Synopsis

a selection from PREFACE TO THE READER: THIS book is a true mystical mirror of the highest wisdom. The best treasure that a man can attain unto in this world is true knowledge; even the knowledge of himself: For man is the great mystery of God, the microcosm, or the complete abridgment of the whole universe: He is the mirandum Dei opus, God's masterpiece, a living emblem and hieroglyphic of eternity and time; and therefore to know whence he is, and what his temporal and eternal being and well-being are, must needs be that ONE necessary thing, to which all our chief study should aim, and in comparison of which all the wealth of this world is but dross, and a loss to us. Hence Solomon, the wisest of the kings of Israel, says: "Happy is the man that findeth wisdom, and the man that getteth understanding; for the merchandise of it is better than the merchandise of silver, and the gain thereof than fine gold; she is more precious than rubies, and all things that can be desired are not to be compared unto her." This is that wisdom which dwells in nothing, and yet possesses all things, and the humble resigned soul is its playfellow; this is the divine alloquy, the inspiration of the Almighty, the breath of God, the holy unction, which sanctifies the soul to be the temple of the Holy Ghost, which instructs it aright in all things, and searches to bathe thy Theoy, the depths of God. This is the precious pearl, whose beauty is more glorious, and whose virtue more sovereign than the sun: It is a never-failing comfort in all afflictions, a balsam for all sores, a panacea for all diseases, a sure antidote against all poison, and death itself; it is that joyful and assured companion and guide, which never forsakes a man, but convoys him through this valley of misery and death into the blessed paradise of perfect bliss. If you ask, What is the way to attain to this wisdom? Behold! Christ, who is the way, the truth, and the life, tells you plainly in these words; "If any man will come after me, let him deny himself, and take up his cross daily and follow me;" [*2] or as he says elsewhere, "Unless you be born again, you cannot see the kingdom of heaven:" or as St. Paul says, "If any man seemeth to be wise in this world, let him become a fool that he may be wise." Herein lies that simple childlike way to the highest wisdom, which no sharp reason or worldly learning can reach unto; nay, it is foolishness to reason, and therefore so few go the way to find it: The proud sophisters and wiselings of this world have always trampled it under foot with scorn and contempt, and have called it enthusiasm, madness, melancholy, whimsy, fancy, etc., but wisdom is justified of her children. Indeed, every one is not fit for or capable of the knowledge of the eternal and temporal nature in its mysterious operation, neither is the proud covetous world worthy to receive a clear manifestation of it; and therefore the only wise God (who giveth wisdom to every one that asketh it aright of him) has locked up the jewel in his blessed treasury, which none can open but those that have the key; which is this, viz., "Ask, and it shall be

given you; seek, and ye shall find; knock, and it shall be opened unto you: "The Father will give the Spirit to them that ask him for it.

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This book is a great addition to my collection of Boehme's works. It's a little heavy on the Alchemical side and so - to me - not as comprehensible as some of his other works. The book itself is of very good quality with ample spacing between paragraphs and not skimpy - 305 pages. I feel I got what I paid for and so I would recommend this for any one with a Boehme library.

Simply amazing! That's how I can describe this Boehme's book. It's not just a written about cosmogony, philosophy, alchemy and Kabbalah. It fills our heart with the most deep subjects about life, existence and death. One of the best book from Jacob Boehme. Recommended!

This is a great book with very interesting information and an engaging reading style regarding the author's personal journey and insights. However, when I put the book down and come back to it

again at a later time I find it hard to reintegrate back into the story line. I usually go back a few pages to review and then start again. This is not an easy read by any means but it is an absorbing account of the author's spiritual process and self-discovery. I find it easier as an Audio book to really pay attention to his detailed accounts of Mystical Awakening....I'm happy to have it in my library as a reference book and timely piece of literature. I Honor the author and Honor also the higher level of writing style that can easily be lost in today's marketing of fast paced quick on-the-go pace so many people chase. It takes time to feel and explore the precious insights the author offers, like taking a stroll through a botanical garden. Each flower, tree and blade of grass needs to be respected and Breathed In to fully appreciate its innate beauty and holistic authenticity for humanity to achieve Oneness with Nature, our greatest silent Teacher.....Thank you.

Makes me want to do more research into the planets and their relationship to the human body, not quite sure about the concept of God being both the good and evil, will have to think on this revelation..

I first read Jacob in the 60's, and he opened new spiritual vistas for me. I am reprising some of my earlier readings right now, and this is one of them. Some of his thoughts strike a deep chord. It is a bit challenging to read his words in this translation as they are not put into modern English. However, it does give the feeling that he is speaking from his century to ours. He was one of the most amazing spiritual men of the ages, and I treasure his insights.

This book is really not for everyone. The wording the author used to describe universal truths is very complicated; it could had been said so much simpler. I love the fact that the author connects chemistry, astrology and spirituality into one whole, which reveals never-changing laws of the universe, and universal cycles.

I read The Signature of All Things: Supersensual Life: Dialogue by Jacob Boehme - online. I found it on www.sacred-texts.com. This was my first time reading any of his works. God willing - tomorrow I will read Dialogue 2, and soon to purchase a hard copy. I honestly believe that I was led by the Spirit of God to read this. It clearly spoke to me . . . exactly what I needed to hear and to know (for such a time as this). Although, the subject matter is not entirely new to me, the way it is written is different than what I am familiar with. I received understanding and was enlightened by the context. I put myself in the place of the disciple, and imagined myself receiving instruction from the Holy Spirit

(Teacher). All done according to God's will and His timing! I want to hear God when He speaks within me. For a few months, I've had some resources that teach on the subject, but . . . And yes, I do know that I need to be still and quiet . . . Somehow this dialogue seems more appealing . . . To God be the glory!

it's actually a pretty dry read. so I give it two stars. quite simply put, I guess. I know that whatever anyone tells you about this book, if your curious you'll buy it anyway. Joseph, has a way of complicating spiritual concepts with his not so eloquent gift of writing. I didn't like it

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