

## ACKNOWLEDGMENTS

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More could be said but enough has been said for now. It is my prayer that this book contributes to the destruction of Radical Two-Kingdom Theology.