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**O** THE GREAT BENEFACITOR WHO POINTS OUT THE WAY! TO TRIP-TOLEMUS ALL MEN HAVE ERECTED TEMPLES AND ALTARS, BECAUSE HE GAVE US FOOD BY CULTIVATION; BUT TO HIM WHO DISCOVERED TRUTH AND BROUGHT IT TO LIGHT AND COMMUNICATED IT TO ALL, NOT THE TRUTH WHICH SHOWS US HOW TO LIVE, BUT HOW TO LIVE WELL, WHO OF YOU FOR THIS REASON HAS BUILT AN ALTAR OR A TEMPLE, OR HAS DEDICATED A STATUE, OR WHO WORSHIPS GOD FOR THIS? BECAUSE THE GODS HAVE GIVEN THE VINE, OR WHEAT, WE SACRIFICE TO THEM: BUT BECAUSE THEY HAVE PRODUCED IN THE HUMAN MIND THAT FRUIT BY WHICH THEY DESIGNED TO SHOW US THE TRUTH WHICH RELATES TO HAPPINESS—SHALL WE NOT THANK GOD FOR THIS?

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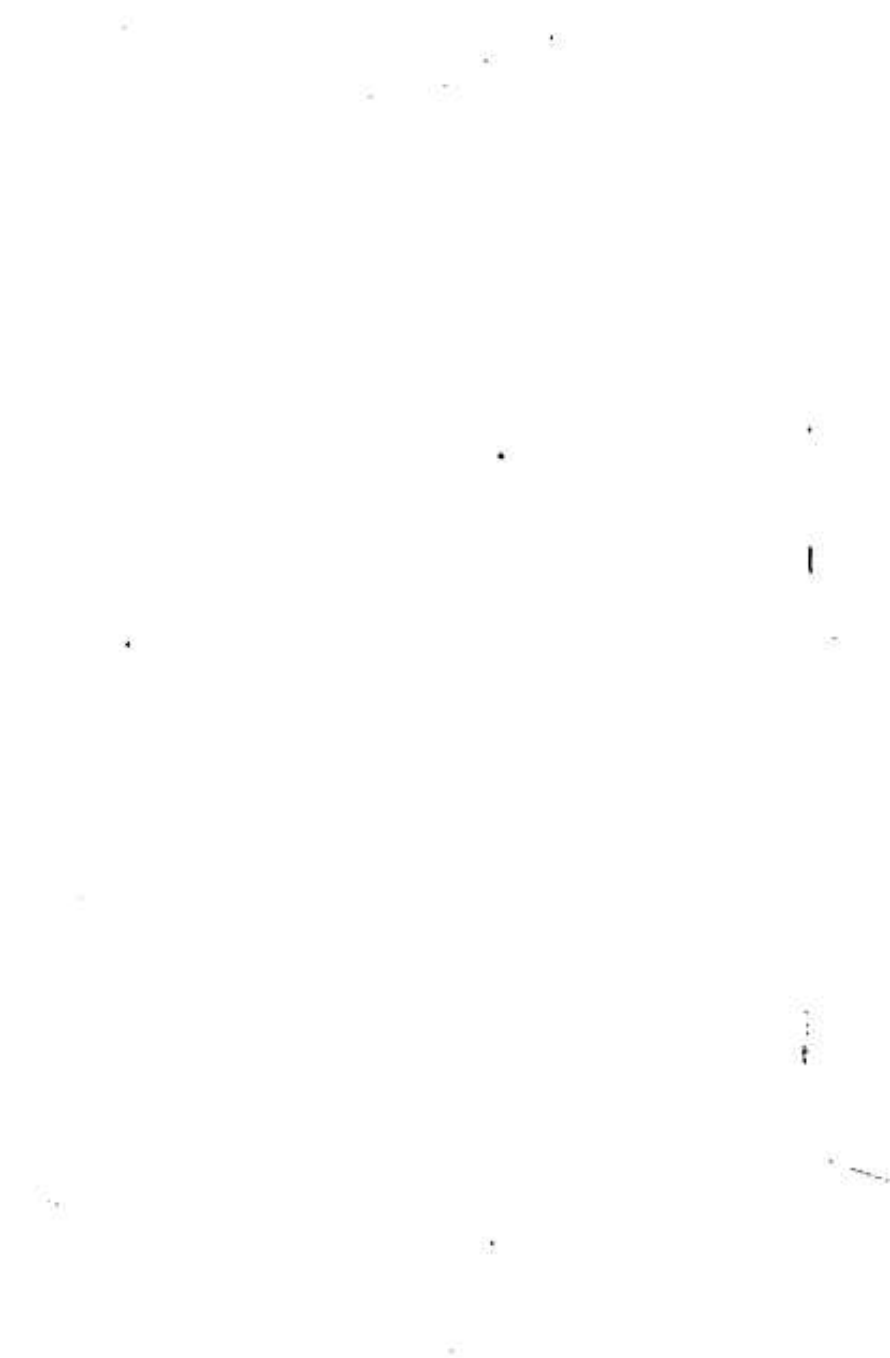


## PREFACE

This volume is the outcome of a thesis presented to the Faculty of Graduate Studies of the George Washington University in part satisfaction of the requirements for the degree of Doctor of Philosophy. The writer has been led to think that others might be interested in the results of a study which for many years has been an unfailing source of help and inspiration. And it is with the hope that this assurance from others may not be without some grounds that the book is sent forth.

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