My Personal Review:
As a pastor, I have always admired Dr. Rogers as a great preacher and as a man of God. This book is a labor of love prepared by his wife beginning before and concluding after Dr. Rogers death.

We see Adrian as a bratty middle school boy who comes forward at a revival and gives his life to Christ. He goes to Bible college and marries his grade school sweetheart and begins his ministry at a student pastorate in Texas. He moves to Florida for his next church, and then suddenly and without much warning, he is courted by the mighty Bellview Baptist Church in Memphis, Tennessee. He goes there to fill the pulpit for a Sunday, and before he knows it, the congregation has voted to make him their next pastor. Adrian accepted the call and tearfully says goodbye to his Florida parish.

His 32 year ministry at Bellview saw the church grow from a membership of 8000 to a membership of 29000. He also oversaw the new church building process, and served two terms as the president of the Southern Baptist Convention. It was largely because of his leadership that the theological direction of the SBC switched from the left to the right.

The last portion of the book consists of praises and words of encouragement about Dr. Rogers from colleagues and friends. There is also a very helpful section where Rogers describes his preaching philosophy and his commitment to the expository teaching of God's word.

This is a very good biography, although I think that it is of special interest for preachers, Baptists and admirers of Dr. Rogers. The book is well worth reading.

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