

(1) "Quench not the Spirit"  
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Int:- Much is said in God's word of work and place of the Holy Spirit. The Holy Spirit is the revealer of Christ - the one who convinces & convicts of sin - the one that endued with power - the one who guides into all truth. My message tonight is to sinner and saint, for Holy Spirit strives with each. It is imperative that for our own highest good we allow him full sway, and "quench not the Spirit." I am particularly concerned tonight about the work of Holy Spirit as it relates to revealing to us what kind of folks we are.

I. It is Work of Holy Spirit to Show Us What We are & Can Be.

1. God is faithful. He reveals himself to every man. "There is a light that lighteth every man that cometh into the world." John 1:9  
He shows you what you are & what you can be. God holds us responsible not for what we were, or are, but for what we can be. It is by God's offers & by our opportunities that we shall be judged & condemned.

- 1. Reveals to sinner what he can be
  - 2. Reveals to Christian what he may be.
- no coercion.

The Holy Spirit pleads with us, prompts us, reveals things to us. - but he never forces

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Has dignified you with  
the power of choice.

us. He cannot, but he  
will lead us, if we will  
follow. If some of you  
had followed leading  
of Holy Spirit, you would  
have been at this altar  
of prayer.

"Grieve not the Spirit."

How may we grieve the  
Spirit? Fall under 3 heads

1. Neglecting to do  
what he Reveals to us. This  
is a sure way to be lost.  
neglect - "How shall we <sup>escape</sup>  
if we neglect so great salvation."  
Fail to act - just not do it -  
not rebel - but just neglect -  
just a passive indifference.

2. Resist - to spurn the  
workings of spirit - Still your  
heart against him - try to  
argue against being a

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Christian. By holding up  
the weakness or inconsis-  
tency of some one else.

3. Despising - Scorn-  
ridicule - of Spirit - of  
his workings in your  
life - in lives of others!  
Esau despised his birth-  
right.

Come -

Have you felt the  
gentle, sweet, gracious  
wooing of the Holy Spirit?  
Has he convicted you of  
sin? Has he made you  
to feel condemned? Has  
he showed you what you  
are, what you can be?

Christian professor - Are  
you what you ought

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to be? Has the Holy S.  
showed you the empty-  
ness & hollowness of your  
life - that you had a mere  
possession, but no power,

French not the Spirit.

Come.