

THE PROMISE OF THE SPIRIT

Acts 1:1-14

Now it is remarkable and an astonishing thing that this doctrine of the Holy Spirit, His Person and His work, has been so frequently neglected in the Church – yet that is an actual fact of history. It is quite clear that the first Christians believed the doctrine, they almost took it for granted.... Now generally speaking, the position today is that the doctrine of the Holy Spirit is either neglected or it tends to be emphasized and exaggerated in a false manner.... We are most culpable if in our thinking and in our doctrine we do not pay the same devotion and attention to the Holy Spirit as we do to the Son and to the Father.... I am very ready to agree with those who say that the low spiritual life of the Church, today or at any time, is largely due to the fact that so many fail to realize the truth concerning the person and work of the Holy Spirit.

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I. THE SPIRIT IS ACTIVE (1-5)

II. THE SPIRIT IS POWERFUL (6-11)

III. THE SPIRIT IS ESSENTIAL (12-14)