

“The Spirit of Truth”
John 16:12-15

The precious and unrivalled ministry of the Holy Spirit.

1. The Unique Work of the Holy Spirit: Revealing the Truth vv. 12-14

(1) **The Need for This Work** (v.12) *“I still have many things to say to you,
but you cannot bear them now.”*

- 1- Still many things to say! Much to be revealed!

- 2- But...the weakness of the disciples!
 - Because of their innate weakness, and spiritual dullness

 - Because further revelation awaited fulfillment

(2) **The Provision** (vv. 13-14)

-1- A **Comprehensive Testimony** *“He will guide you into all truth;
for He will not speak on His own authority,
but whatever He hears He will speak”*

- By NT revelation (Scripture truth)

- By **illumination** (Scripture truth *progressively understood*)

-2- A **Perfect Testimony** *“He will not speak on His own authority,
but whatever He hears He will speak”*

-3- A **Detailed Testimony**

- *“He will tell you things to come”* **Epistles, Revelation**

- *“He will take of what is Mine and declare it to you”* **Epistles**

- *“He will bring to your remembrance all that I said to you”* (cf. 14:26) **Gospels**

2. The Great Burden of the Holy Spirit: Glorifying Jesus Christ vv. 14-15

(1) **To Glorify Jesus Christ** 14 *“He will glorify Me,
for He will take of what is Mine
and declare it to you.”*

- A Servant to the glory of the Son!

- He does not point to Himself!

(2) **How?**

- By revealing Him in NT revelation *“He will take of what is Mine
and declare it to you.”*

- By illuminating the truth concerning Him

(3) **Why? Because all the things of God are Christ’s!**

- They **center** in Jesus! 15 *“All things that the Father has are Mine.
Therefore I said that He will take of Mine
and declare it to you.”*

- They are **given through Jesus!**

- They are **revealed in Jesus!**

Further Application: