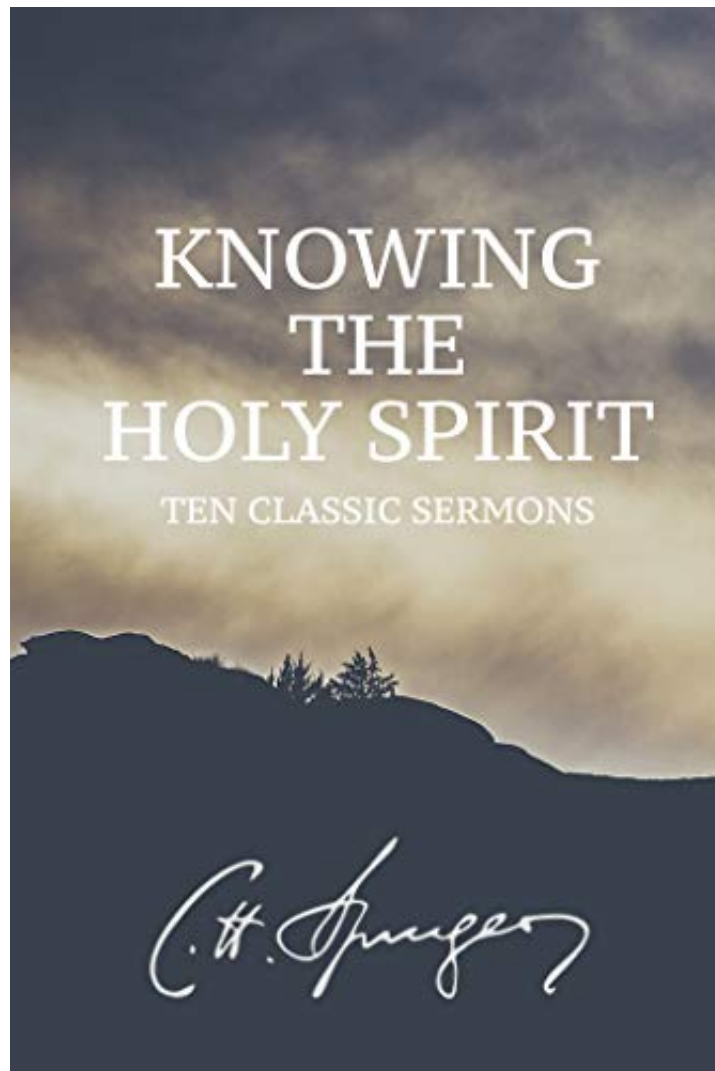


Knowing the Holy Spirit: Ten Classic Sermons by Charles Spurgeon

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Synopsis

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Penguin, "Wonderfully accessible if you anxiously long to know. A new convert asked an acquaintance and me what was the difference between our churches. While I was thinking it was a tricky question to answer, my acquaintance already jumped in to answer, "Fundamentally we believe the same thing but they do not believe in Holy Spirit while we do. They believe that there are no more miracles while we believe miracles still happen today." I was gobsmacked! It got me

in the mode of defence, which unfortunately had to take down what the church of my acquaintance believed. It was very awkward, but it cannot be further from the truth that we don't believe in the Holy Spirit for there will be no Christians and no church without the Holy Spirit! In fact, the very last chapter of this book is entitled: the necessity of the Spirit's work. It was very confusing for the new believer to have to witness such a debate. But it is a truth that must be contended. After such an encounter, it's never the same with me and my acquaintance. When we believe that there is the truth, this means that there exist beliefs that are wrong. It was so fundamental that we could not find common ground. Reading this book reminds me of that episode. (1) It affirms my understanding which is reassuring to know; (2) it is an important issue to contend for and there is much misunderstanding of the Holy Spirit; it was then at Spurgeon's time, it is now. (3) I lament that they are sermons that we can rarely hear, so we have to find it in a book. I am thankful that God has driven men who see the dearth and give us the series which "seeks to bolster the faith of busy Christians by making rich theology from time past more accessible." We so need the feed. Sermons without explicit theology are commonplace. I lament that if these sermons were preached from today's pulpit, the congregation may complain? When we heed to the people what to preach, we shut out God's Word. This book holds a series of Spurgeon's sermons on the Holy Spirit, and tackles some difficult texts head-on. Things just get much clearer in your head who the Holy Spirit is and what He does. With better understanding of the pivotal role of the Holy Spirit in our faith, we grow in knowledge, which then inform our walk, our prayer, and our evangelism. Even in Spurgeon's time, he had to make the caveat when he preached the necessity of the Spirit's work: "I shall not hope to make it very interesting, except to those who are anxiously longing to know the way of salvation." Isn't it sad that teachers have to apologise for feeding us with wholesome food? Spurgeon observed: "This generation hath gradually, and almost imperceptibly, become to a great extent a godless generation. One of the diseases of the present generation of mankind, is their secret but deep-seated godlessness, by which they have so far departed from the knowledge of God.... Even religious men have become to a large degree godless in this age. We sadly require more preaching regarding God; more preaching of those things which look not so much at the creature to be saved, as at God the Great One to be extolled. My firm conviction is, that in proportion as we have more regard for the sacred godhead, the wondrous Trinity in Unity, shall we see a greater display of God's power, and a more glorious manifestation of his might in our churches." (P. 130 – 131) Pick up this book, and you will be exposed the kind of preaching that he is advocating. Another observation: "Physical force is left to our enemies, we ask it not. Why? Because by the divine working we can vanquish error without it. In the name of the Holy One of Israel, in whose cause we have been enlisted – by his might we are enough without miracles, and signs, and wonders. If Christ were here still working miracles, the battle were not so spiritual as it now is; but the absence of the corporeal Saviour makes it a spiritual conflict of spirit of the noblest and sublimest order. Again, dear friends, the Holy Spirit is more valuable to the Church in her present militant state than the presence of Christ could be conceived to be." (P.99). The Holy Spirit is very the core of our

Christian life and our battle on earth. Read this book, and get to know His name. Amen.”

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