

THE SCOPE OF THE HOLY SPIRIT'S MINISTRY
(John 16:8-15)

- I. His Ministry of CONVICTION (John 16:8-11)
 - A. The two-fold NATURE of the Spirit's convicting
 - 1. Includes the judicial PRONOUNCEMENT of GUILT
 - 2. Includes the internal RECOGNITION of GUILT
 - B. The three-fold MINISTRY of the Spirit's convicting
 - 1. Of SIN, because they refused to BELIEVE
 - 2. Of RIGHTEOUSNESS, because only Christ POSSESSES it
 - 3. Of JUDGMENT, because the world's RULER has been judged
 - C. The two alternative RESPONSES to the Spirit's convicting
 - 1. REPENTANCE, which results in SALVATION
 - 2. REJECTION, which confirms their CONDEMNATION

- II. His Ministry of REVELATION (John 16:12-15)
 - A. The NEED for this ministry of the Holy Spirit
 - 1. There were MANY more things they would need to KNOW
 - 2. They were not yet READY to BEAR them
 - B. The QUALITY of His revelation

1. The source is DIVINE
2. The content constitutes ALL TRUTH

C. The EXTENT of His revelation

1. Includes ALL of SCRIPTURE (2 Tim. 3:16)
2. Extends to the VERY WORDS used by the writers (1 Cor. 2:13; cf. 2

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23:2)

3. EXCLUDES all extrabiblical writings (Rev. 22:18-19)

D. The GOAL of His revelation: to GLORIFY Christ Jesus

1. The PURPOSE of all His work is to MAGNIFY Christ
2. His revelation can never CONFLICT with that of the Father or the Son