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HOLY SPIRIT WORK

***So he answered me, “This is the word of the LORD to Zerubbabel:
“Not by strength or by might, but by My Spirit says the LORD of
Hosts.” (Zechariah 4:6)***

The redeemed are not sanctified without Christ, who is made to them sanctification; hence the work of the Spirit must embrace the Incarnation of the Word and the work of the Messiah. But the work of Messiah involves preparatory working in the Patriarchs and Prophets of Israel, and later activity in the Apostles....Likewise this revelation involves the conditions of man’s nature and the historical development of the race; hence the Holy Spirit is concerned in the formation of the human mind and the unfolding of the spirit of humanity....man’s condition depends on that of the earth....and no less on the actions of spirits, be they angels or demons from other spheres....the Spirit’s work must touch the entire host of heaven and earth.

To avoid a mechanical idea of His work as tho it began and ended at random....it must not be determined or limited till it extends to all the influences that affect the sanctification of the church. The Holy Spirit is God, therefore Sovereign: hence He cannot depend on these influences, but completely control them. For this He must be able to operate them; so His work must be honored in all the host of heaven, in man and in his history, in the preparation of Scripture, in the Incarnation of the Word, in the salvation of the elect. AMEN

~Abraham Kuyper (1837-1920)

“And Jesus came and spake unto them, saying, All power is given unto me in heaven and in earth. Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost: Teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you: and, lo, I am with you always, even unto the end of the world. Amen.” Matthew 28:18 – 20

