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Dear John:

Thanks for your commendatory statements of December 13, regarding my observations about the 20th Century Christian articles on "The Holy Spirit." I firmly believe "The reward of study is understanding," and that if more brethren would really study the Scriptures, some of our misunderstandings over this important subject would vanish.

The comments in my bulletin article about forming our convictions only on God's Word, and not on the writings of men was actually prompted by some statements made in Tulsa the week before by Guy N. Woods. Brother Woods spoke for four nights on The Holy Spirit in an effort to straighten us all out here in Tulsa. Actually, of course, Brookside was the only church to straighten out, since all the others were "sound" on the subject. At any rate, time and again Brother Woods deplored our "current disinterest" in the Restoration forefathers (all of which, so far as I'm concerned, is not true). He dwelled on it so much that one would have gotten the idea that he'd better hold his views on the Holy Spirit in suspense until he had familiarized himself with Hardeman, Lipscomb, etc. Although I personally have high regard for these men, my article was to impress again what I think these very men would have stressed, ie, that no man become our conscience or our creed.

Keep up the good radio work, John. You're coming through loud and clear every Sunday morning on my little transistor radio while I'm shaving. The only part I miss is when I turn on the water for a second.

Brotherly,

J. Paul Du Bois