Partnership with Priority

Spurgeon on the Mission of the Church

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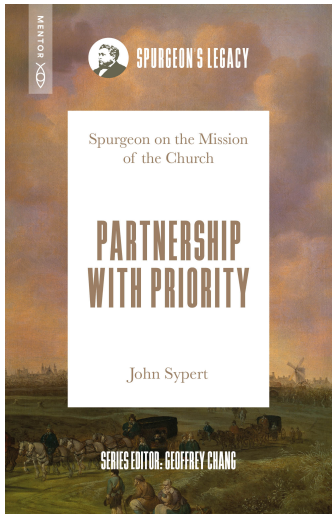

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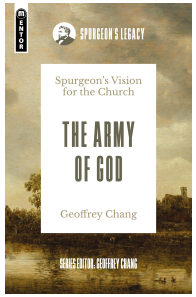

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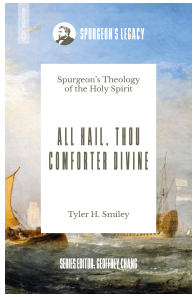

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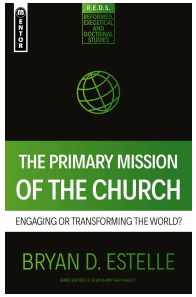

DESCRIPTION

Why the Gospel Must Lead the Church's Mission

What should come first in the mission of the church—proclaiming the gospel or meeting physical needs? In *Partnership with Priority*, John Sypert turns to Charles Haddon Spurgeon for a clear, biblical answer. Drawing from Spurgeon's sermons, institutions, and ministries, this book shows how word and deed belong together without being equal. Spurgeon practiced compassionate mercy ministry while firmly insisting that gospel proclamation must remain central. With historical depth and pastoral clarity, Sypert challenges modern assumptions about mission and calls the church back to a gospel-centered vision.

You will discover how to:

- **Balance mercy ministry with evangelism**
- **Learn from Spurgeon's lived theology**
- **Keep the gospel central without neglecting compassion**

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ENDORSEMENTS

John Sypert argues convincingly, with compelling primary source engagement, that Spurgeon, though he contended and practiced "word and deed can be partners in missions," the soteriological thrust of gospel proclamation "should be the ultimate priority in the church's mission."

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With excellent research, sound argumentation, and solid writing, Sypert demonstrates irrefutably that Spurgeon prioritized the proclamation of the gospel in the mission and ministry of the local church, while still maintaining a place for a vibrant social ministry. In this, Spurgeon offers a healthy model for pastors and churches today.

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