

TESTING THE SPIRITS

- I Corinthians 12:3 NKJV
...no one can say that *JESUS CHRIST IS LORD* *except* by the Holy Spirit.
- I John 4:1-3 NKJV
Beloved, do not believe every spirit, but test the spirits, whether they are of God; because many false prophets have gone out into the world. By this you know the Spirit of God: Every spirit that confesses that *JESUS CHRIST HAS COME IN THE FLESH* is of God, and every spirit that does not confess that *JESUS CHRIST HAS COME IN THE FLESH* is not of God. And this is the spirit of the Antichrist, which you have heard was coming, and is now already in the world.
- 2 John 1:7 NKJV
For many deceivers have gone out into the world who do not confess *JESUS CHRIST AS COMING IN THE FLESH*.
- I John 4:15 NKJV
Whoever confesses that *JESUS IS THE SON OF GOD*, God abides in him, and he in God.
- I Thessalonians 5:16-22 NKJV
Rejoice always, pray without ceasing, in everything give thanks; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you. Do not quench the Spirit. Do not despise prophecies. Test all things: hold fast what is good. Abstain from every form of evil.
- Colossians 3:15 Amplified
And let the peace (soul harmony which comes) from Christ rule (act as an umpire continually) in your hearts [deciding and settling with finality all questions that arise in your minds, in that peaceful state]
- Testing a Head Demon
Are there any demons of equal rank or higher rank than you.
Who is above you in rank. Put them on standby and call the other one up.
They are tricky and deceptive. They have been known to lie.
Say:
Will you confess that what you just told me is true before the Lord Jesus and the Holy Spirit.

TO TEST THE SPIRITS WITHIN YOURSELF

1. When you sense a spirit speaking within yourself, or even silently in your thoughts...
2. Normally, evil spirits will speak to our mind. The Holy Spirit will speak to our spirit man or our heart.
3. Say, "Spirit that said, (repeat whatever you heard or sensed), do you confess that...
 - A. Jesus Christ, the one who was raised from the dead, is Lord?" Or,
 - B. Jesus Christ has come in the flesh?" Or,
 - C. Jesus is the Son of God?"
 - D. Any of these scriptural questions will work.
4. If you hear an affirmative answer, (Yes), etc., that is the Holy Spirit or your own soul (mind, will and emotions) speaking to you.
5. If you hear a negative answer or silence, (No), etc., that is usually a demonic spirit. (In some cases an alternate personality may answer this way. Do not try to cast out an alter personality. It can't be done. See ministry sheet on Alternate Personalities and MPD).
6. If it is a demon, say, IN JESUS NAME, I take authority over the spirit that just spoke.
 - A. I bind you.
 - B. I cancel your assignment.
 - C. I cast you out.
 - D. I send you to the feet of The Lord Jesus Christ.
 - E. Now Go! IN JESUS NAME!**
7. To discern between the Holy Spirit, your heart and your own mind, ask yourself...
 - A. Does what you heard agree with God's Word?
 - B. If it does, it may be the Holy Spirit. The Holy Spirit does not contradict the Bible.
 - C. Also, do you have peace in your heart about what you heard? (See Colossians 3:15)
 - D. If what you heard has to do with a major life decision, it may be wise to test the spirit over time and with the whole Word of God.
 - E. You can also test the spirit by asking someone close to you to confirm that you are hearing from God.