



# Testing the spirits

This section will talk about testing the spirits. Jesus warns us to do this when we are dealing with voices and thoughts that seem foreign to us. Here, we will give you a step by step method to test the spirits so you will know whom you are talking to. Many people THINK they are talking to Jesus, but because they did not test the spirits, then can be misled.

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# Here is a little background on Spirits and what they do

As you already know, the Lord of Hosts, Jesus' Father, is a Spirit. He tells us that in **John 4:24**. When The Lord of Hosts, The Lord Jesus Christ and the Holy Spirit speak to us, they speak to OUR spirit by the Spirit. We then know that we are talking to the Lord, Jesus or the Holy Ghost because they speak to us in that manner.

The devil, on the other hand is also a spirit, but he talks to us in the SOUL, and NOT in the spirit. That is on the telltale signs that you are NOT talking to the Lord of Hosts, Jesus or the Holy Ghost. The devil dwells in the soul, and not the spirit.

As you already know, a person is divided into 3 parts - Body, Soul and spirit.

- **The Body** you know is the flesh, and even the flesh has a voice that can sometimes mask as the Lord. You can always tell the difference with the body, or the flesh, because it wants you to do something for it. It is carnal; it craves carnality and it LOVES fornication and adultery. It also loves gluttony, and anything else that you can use your 5 senses to detect.
- **The devil and his minions are soul dwellers**, and what that means is that they can hijack your body to do their dirty work for them. A soul dweller will influence you to do things that IT likes. If you have a soul-dwelling demon that likes food, it will make you feel hungry; If you have a soul-dwelling demon who likes drugs, it will influence you to go and get drugs to satisfy its cravings. This is how a person can get to like anal sex, as that entity in them likes the pain of the sex, and it makes the person whom they are living through THINK is it enjoyable.

- **The spirit is where you - the real you - resides.** This is the place where you have thoughts or feelings, and you cannot put those thoughts or feelings on the table in front of you. This is where the Lord speaks to us directly, without interference from the soul or the flesh. This is the part of you that constantly contends with the flesh, as you work out your salvation with fear and trembling.

This is just a quick cursory description of the real you, and it is recommended that you spend a LOT of time understanding who you really are in Christ. We suggest that you sit down and talk to Jesus or the Holy Ghost directly and get deep down within you who you are and why things are as they are.

Take some time to study whom you are fighting as well. You cannot see these entities, but they do influence a lot of behaviours. You can see the results of their actions as they destroy the bodies that they inhabit. Once the bodies have been destroyed, they leave and try and find another body to inhabit. Familiar spirits are known to do this. When the host body is gone, and the person has died, that spirit in that person who died looks to see whom it can inhabit. It may be YOU if you let it get into you.



# Demonic Spirits are soul dwellers; they are nasty and they stink

Notice that the soul dwellers literally hijack the body - the flesh - for their purposes. Many of these demonic entities are disembodied entities that walk the earth and look for a body to inhabit. As in [Mark chapter 5](#), that man who was crazy, cutting himself with stones, naked, running around howling and making a racket day and night had a legion - approximately 2500 - demons in him. When Jesus cast those demons out, that man was back in his right mind, clothed and sitting at Jesus feet.

We are going through all of this so you will know what you are dealing with. Every day, you are bombarded with thoughts, but are all of those thoughts really yours? Could some of those thoughts and impulses be entities that have been hiding in you for YEARS who have not piped up?

For example, you bite your nails until they are to the quick. Your hands are nasty looking and disgusting, but you cannot seem to stop biting your nails. Is it because YOU are doing it or are you influenced by an entity that is in you that likes to inflict pain on the body?

For many of us, we eat a LOT. Whenever you see food, it is an orgasmic experience. You think about food all day long. You read the food magazines all day long. You eat until you are stuffed, but you have to go and get that piece of pie because it tastes so good. Is that YOU that wants to eat all day long, every day, or is that something that is inside you influencing you to eat all day?

By learning how to test the spirits, we can distinguish the voices you hear. Now, before you start to say that those hearing voices are crazy, EVERYONE hears voices because everyone is subjected to those 'thoughts'. It usually comes by as you saying 'I don't know why, but I have a taste for a burger right now'.

Is that YOU wanting a burger, or is that something influencing you to get a burger because IT wants a burger?



# Steps to test the spirits to see If what you hear is true

Many people hear spirits and think that they are the Lord Jesus Christ or the Lord of Hosts without testing them to see if they are truly who you think they are. The Bible clearly tells us to do this, as seen in scripture here:

**1 John 4:1-3** - Beloved, believe not every spirit, but **try the spirits whether they are of God**: because many false prophets are gone out into the world. Hereby know ye the Spirit of God: Every spirit that confesseth that Jesus Christ is come in the flesh is of God: And every spirit that confesseth not that Jesus Christ is come in the flesh is not of God: and this is that spirit of antichrist, whereof ye have heard that it should come; and even now already is it in the world.

Here is the same passage from the New King James Version:

**1 John 4:1-3** - 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.

By making sure that whatever spirit is talking to you is truthful, you will be able to save yourself a lot of grief and not be led astray by doctrines of devils. You do not have to be nice to the spirits; command them to tell you who they are using Jesus' authority. If they do not respond, IGNORE THEM and go on your way.

So, how do you test the spirits?

If you hear a voice, you can ask it to identify itself by proclaiming, out loud, the following:

**"In the name of Jesus, who is speaking to me?"**

By invoking the name, or authority of Jesus, you can get that entity to tell you truthfully who it is. If it is the Lord of Hosts, or The Lord Jesus Christ, or the Holy Ghost, they will tell you straightaway who they are. You will then know you are talking to the real spirits and not a counterfeit.

On the other hand, if you are dealing with a counterfeit spirit, they will obfuscate a LOT. They will say things like:

"You know who this is!"

"Who I am is not important..."

"I am who you think I am..."

Not one of these spirits will say they are Jesus, so if you get answers like the ones just shown, DO NOT TALK TO THEM. In fact, to make sure you are not being toyed with, you can say the following:

**'In the name of Jesus, if you are NOT the Lord of Hosts, The Lord Jesus Christ, or the Holy Ghost, beat it and leave me alone!'**

They will then go away and leave you alone for a season. Always remember to use the authority of the Lord Jesus Christ when you are testing the spirits, as this authority compels them to tell the truth. You can use this technique to make sure you are not being deceived. **We will point out that using the name or Authority of The Lord Jesus Christ will ONLY work if you are a child of the Living God or a Disciple of Jesus Himself.** If you are NOT born again, and if you do not know Jesus Personally, this is NOT for you. It will not work for you because you are already a part of the devil's kingdom.



As always - **don't take our word for anything. Go to the Lord Jesus Christ directly and personally ask Him** if what is being posted is true or not, and go with that. Ask Jesus to show you what other things you can do to keep these entities from talking to you. A lot of this sounds farfetched and incredible, but as you start on your walk with Jesus as His Disciple for real, you will find out very quickly that it is DANGEROUS down here and you will need Jesus' authority and protection to make it through.