

Witchcraft In The Churches?

A Biblical Warning About Counterfeit Power, Twisted Scripture,
and Discernment in the Last Days



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sometimes it is Bible language mixed with another spirit.**

WAJD Commentary: This newsletter is a spiritual discernment article. It does not accuse one specific church, pastor, or ministry. It calls every believer to test teaching, fruit, prophecy, signs, and spiritual practices by the written Word of God.

Key warning: When Satan tempted Jesus, he quoted Scripture but twisted its purpose. That means a message can sound religious and still be spiritually dangerous if it leads people away from obedience, holiness, repentance, and the Lordship of Jesus Christ.

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Testing the Spirits by the Word of God

Witchcraft is not only potions, charms, and visible occult practice. In Scripture, it is also rebellion, manipulation, false prophecy, divination, and spiritual power that does not submit to the Lord Jesus Christ.

The church must remember that Satan does not always come against the Word openly. Sometimes he tries to stand near holy things, use religious words, and twist truth just enough to lead people away from obedience.

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What Believers Must Watch For

- Twisted Scripture: A message may quote the Bible but change the meaning, remove repentance, or make sin seem harmless.
- Counterfeit power: Signs and wonders must never replace truth, holiness, and the fruit of the Spirit.
- Manipulation: Fear, pressure, control, flattery, threats, and spiritual intimidation are not the way of Christ.
- False prophecy: Every word must be tested. No voice is above the written Word of God.

The goal is not fear. The goal is discernment. God’s people are called to be sober, prayerful, humble, and rooted in Scripture.

“To the law and to the testimony: if they speak not according to this word, it is because there is no light in them.” — Isaiah 8:20,

When Bible Language Is Mixed With Another Spirit

A dangerous message can sound spiritual while leading people away from the Lordship of Jesus. It may speak of blessing but avoid surrender. It may promise power but ignore holiness. It may use the name of Jesus while encouraging pride, greed, rebellion, or hidden sin.

In Matthew 4, the devil quoted Scripture while tempting Jesus. The problem was not the words only; it was the twisted purpose behind the words. Jesus answered with the Word rightly divided and fully submitted to the Father.

Three Simple Discernment Questions

- 1. Does this teaching agree with the whole counsel of Scripture, or only with one verse pulled out of context?**
- 2. Does it lead people toward repentance, obedience, humility, and love for Jesus?**
- 3. Does it produce godly fruit, or does it create confusion, fear, pride, control, and spiritual bondage?**

“Wherefore by their fruits ye shall know them.” — Matthew 7:20, KJV

A Loving Warning

Discernment must be handled with prayer and humility. This article is not written to accuse every church, pastor, or ministry. It is a call for every believer to test teaching, fruit, prophecy, signs, dreams, and spiritual practices by the written Word of God.

A true servant of God will never be offended by believers searching the Scriptures. Truth welcomes examination. Falsehood fears it.

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How to Stand Firm in the Last Days

The answer to deception is not panic. The answer is to abide in Christ, love the truth, and stay covered in prayer. The Holy Spirit will never lead a believer against the written Word He inspired.

Spiritual Safety Checklist

- Read the Bible daily and ask God for wisdom before accepting any teaching.
- Pray for discernment and do not follow every spiritual voice, dream, sign, or trend.
- Look for the fruit of the Spirit: love, joy, peace, longsuffering, gentleness, goodness, faith, meekness, and temperance.
- Stay humble. A teachable heart is easier for the Lord to correct and protect.
- Keep Jesus at the center. Any message that lifts man, money, power, or signs above Christ is out of order.

“Put on the whole armour of God, that ye may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil.” — Ephesians 6:11, KJV

WAJD Closing Encouragement

Beloved, do not be afraid of the darkness. Walk in the light. The Lord has given His people the Word, the Holy Spirit, prayer, and discernment. Hold fast to Jesus Christ, test every spirit, and let the written Word of God be the final authority.

Prayer

Father, in the name of Jesus, give us wisdom and discernment. Keep us from deception, pride, manipulation, and every counterfeit spirit. Teach us to love truth, obey Your Word, and follow Jesus with clean hands and a pure heart. Strengthen Your people in these last days. In Jesus' name, amen.

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