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A Study of 1 John



Testing the Spirits
1 John 4:1-6

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We have learned from John that there are two kinds of children in the world (1 Jn. 3:10). There are children of God and children of the devil.

According to John, there are also two kinds of spirits in the world. There is the Spirit of truth and the spirit of error.

In our text, John exhorts us to test the spirits and teaches us to discern between the Spirit of truth and the spirit of error.

Main Thought...

↪ *God's Word is absolute truth and any teaching contrary to the Holy Scriptures is _____ teaching.*

1. The _____ of False Teachers (v. 1)

Mk. 13:22; 1 Tim. 4:1; Jn. 8:44; 2 Cor. 11:3

2. The _____ of False Teachers (v. 2-3, 5-6)

- They are _____ about Christ (v. 2-3).
- They are _____ in character (v. 5a).
- They are _____ in content (v. 5b-6)

2 Jn. 7-11; Mt. 7:15-16; 2 Tm. 4:3-4; Acts 17:11

3. The _____ against False Teachers (v. 4)

Jn. 16:13a

Final Thoughts...

- *We must examine every teacher from the light of _____.*
- *We must examine every teacher's spiritual _____.*
- *We must examine every teacher's doctrine of _____.*