 Study #4C

Devils & Unclean spirits

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There are many idea's and legend's of what ***devil's*** and ***unclean spirits*** are, and what their role in existence is. Part of the different conclusions come by the influences and lies of the ***devils*** and ***unclean spirits*** themselves. Some, even in Christendom refer to them as *"demons"* even though the Holy Scriptures do not call them by this name.

Definitions

There are varieties of definitions of *"****devils****" "demons"* *"****unclean spirits****"* and *"****evil spirits****"* found. Below are a few from the early 1800s to present.

* **Devil or devils** Webster 1828, DEVIL, n. Devl [L., to calumniate] Charge falsely or with malicious intent; attack the good name and reputation of someone; asperse; defame; denigrate; slander; smear; charge; **accuse**. In the Christian Theology, an ***evil spirit*** or being; a fallen angel, expelled from Heaven for rebellion against God; the chief of the apostate angels; the implacable enemy and tempter of the human race.

"And I heard a loud voice saying in heaven, Now is come salvation, and strength, and the kingdom of our God, and the power of his Christ: for t \_ \_ a \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ of our brethren is cast down, w \_ \_ \_ \_ a \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ t \_ \_ \_ b \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ o \_ \_ G \_ \_ d \_ \_ a \_ \_ n \_ \_ \_ \_." ***Revelation 12:10***

The word ***Devil/devil*** is found 61 times in the New Testament only, with Uppercase twice in Revelation. The word ***devils*** is found 55 times in the Scriptures with the word being used 4 times in the Old Testament and the remaining 51 in the New Testament. The Lord Jesus Christ did use the words***devil*** and ***devils*** in His speech in the Gospels and once in Revelation. The Apostles Paul, James, Peter, John and Moses mentioned ***devil*** and ***devils****.*

* **demon** - Webster 1828, A spirit, or immaterial being, holding a middle place between men and the celestial deities of the Pagans (*Not Bible Doctrine.)* The ancients believed that there were good and evil demons, which had influence over the minds of men, and that these beings carried on an intercourse between men and gods, and divine benefits to men. Hence, demons became the objects of worship. (*Not Bible Doctrine*.) It was supposed that the human spirits, after their departure from the body, became demons, and that the souls of virtuous men, if highly purified, were exalted from demons into gods (*Not Bible Doctrine*.)

The demons in the New Testament were supposed to be spiritual beings which vexed and tormented men. And in general, the word, in modern use, signifies an ***evil spirit*** or genius, which influences the conduct or directs the fortunes of mankind.

An evil supernatural being.

*The word demon (in the KJV1611) is* ***never*** *mentioned in either Testament by the Lord or men, for any reason.*

* **unclean spirit or spirits *Unclean spirits****/****spirit*** is used 20 times in the New Testament, with ***unclean devil*** used 1 time only.The Lord Jesus Christ did speak*"****unclean spirit****"* in His own speech. In the Old Testament, ***unclean spirit*** is used one time in Zechariah.
* **evil spirit or spirits** ***Evil spirit****/****spirits*** is used 6 times in the New Testament, and 8 times in the Old Testament, with ***Evil angels*** used 1 time only in the Old Testament.

As mentioned before, the word "demon" is not found in the KJV1611. In this study we are only interested in what the Scriptures "**say**." Some would find this silly, especially those that have veered away from the AV. It is not silly to assume that the Lord chose what words He wanted and did not want us to have. It is silly to assume that God does not care that His words have been tampered with. That being said, we will not use the word "demon" in the remaining portion of this study, because the Holy Scriptures do not use it.

"The **words of the LORD** are **pure words**: as silver tried in a furnace of earth, purified seven times. Thou shalt keep **them**, O LORD, thou shalt preserve **them** from this generation for ever." ***Psalms 12:6,7***

"For I testify unto every man that heareth **the words** of the prophecy of **this book**, If any man shall add unto **these things**, God shall add unto him the plagues that are written in **this book**: And if any man shall take away from **the words** of **the book** of **this prophecy**, God shall take away his part out of **the book** of life, and out of the holy city, and from the things which are written in **this book**." ***Revelation 22:18,19***

The words ***devil*** and ***spirit*** are used interchangeably in the Scriptures and many times found used in the same text, as speaking of the same individual being discussed.

"And they came over unto the other side of the sea, into the country of the Gadarenes. And when he was come out of the ship, immediately there met him out of the tombs a man with an ***unclean spirit***, Who had his dwelling among the tombs; and no man could bind him, no, not with chains: Because that he had been often bound with fetters and chains, and the chains had been plucked asunder by him, and the fetters broken in pieces: neither could any man tame him. And always, night and day, he was in the mountains, and in the tombs, crying, and cutting himself with stones. But when he saw Jesus afar off, he ran and worshipped him, And cried with a loud voice, and said, What have I to do with thee, Jesus, thou Son of the most high God? I adjure thee by God, that thou torment me not. For he said unto him, Come out of the man, thou ***unclean spirit***. And he asked him, What is thy name? And he answered, saying, My name is Legion: for we are many. And he besought him much that he would not send them away out of the country. Now there was there nigh unto the mountains a great herd of swine feeding. And all the ***devils*** besought him, saying, Send us into the swine, that we may enter into them. And forthwith Jesus gave them leave. And the ***unclean spirits*** went out, and entered into the swine: and the herd ran violently down a steep place into the sea, (they were about two thousand;) and were choked in the sea." ***Mark 5:1-13***

The Nature of ***devils*** and ***unclean spirits***

1. ***Devils*** *and* ***unclean spirits***are evil

Look at the center four letters of "devils." Coincidence? Hmm! But definitely an identifier. Unclean in "***unclean spirit***" is self explanatory. Unclean! In this dispensation especially today, presently, the subject of evil has been redefined both morally and naturally. The word evil today is a word for entertainment and humor and has been turned inside out, to mean anyone who points the finger and declares what the Lord says is "evil." ***Devils*** and ***unclean spirits*** are "EVIL!" The "Holy Scriptures say so!" They are not 50% Good and 50% evil. They are like Satan, *"...no truth in him."****John 8:44***

**EVIL** ; to be unjust or injurious, to defraud;

1.) having bad qualities of a Natural kind; mischievous; having qualities which tend to injury, or to produce mischief.

2.) having bad qualities of a Moral kind; wicked; corrupt; perverse; wrong; as evil thoughts; evil deeds; evil speaking; and evil generation.

3.) unfortunate; unhappy; producing sorrow, distress, injury or calamity; evil tidings; evil arrows; evil days.

4.) Depravity; corruption of heart, or disposition to commit wickedness; malignity.

Evil is *Natural* or *Moral*

Natural evil is anything that produces pain, distress, loss or calamity, or which in any way disturbs the peace, impairs the happiness, or destroys the perfection of natural beings.

Moral evil is any deviation of a moral agent from the rules of conduct prescribed to him by God, or by legitimate human authority; or it is any violation of the plain principles of justice and rectitude.

Civil evil which affect injuriously the peace or prosperity of a city or state.

Political evil which injure a nation, in its public capacity.

All wickedness, all crimes, all violations of the law and right, are Moral evils. Diseases are Natural evils, but they often proceed from moral evils. (Webster 1828)

"And in that same hour he cured many of their infirmities and plagues, and of ***e \_ \_ \_***

***s \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_***; and unto many that were blind he gave sight." ***Luke 7:21***

"And certain women, which had been healed of ***e \_ \_ \_ s \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_*** and infirmities, Mary called Magdalene, out of whom went seven ***devils***," ***Luke 8:2***

"And God wrought special miracles by the hands of Paul: So that from his body were brought unto the sick handkerchiefs or aprons, and the diseases departed from them, and the ***e \_ \_ \_ s \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_*** went out of them. Then certain of the vagabond Jews, exorcists, took upon them to call over them which had ***e \_ \_ \_ s \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_*** the name of the LORD Jesus, saying, We adjure you by Jesus whom Paul preacheth. And the ***e \_ \_ \_ s \_ \_ \_ \_ \_*** answered and said, Jesus I know, and Paul I know; but who are ye?" ***Acts 19:11-15***

1. ***Devils*** *and* ***unclean spirits***are powerful

" (For he had commanded t \_ \_ ***u \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ s \_ \_ \_ \_ \_*** to come out of the man. For oftentimes i \_ h \_ \_ c \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ h \_ \_: and he was kept bound with chains and in fetters; and h \_ b \_ \_ \_ \_ t \_ \_ b \_ \_ \_ \_, and was d \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ o \_ t \_ \_ ***d \_ \_ \_ \_*** into the wilderness.)" ***Luke 8:29***

"And the ***evil spirit*** answered and said, Jesus I know, and Paul I know; but who are ye? And the man in whom the ***evil spirit*** was l \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ o \_ t \_ \_ \_, and o \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ t \_ \_ \_, and p \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ a \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ t \_ \_ \_, so that they fled out of that house naked and wounded." ***Acts 19:15,16***

Have you seen the things in the news lately. Average men and women being so strong that five, six, or even seven men cannot hold them to cuff them. That stuff is going on today, right now. Do you know any average men and women that can whip that many people at once. Maybe there are exceptions, but that is not the rule. ***Devils***!

1. ***Devils*** and ***unclean spirits*** are numerous

"For he said unto him, Come out of the man, thou ***unclean spirit***. And he asked him, What is thy name? And he answered, saying, M \_ n \_ \_ \_ i \_ L \_ \_ \_ \_ \_: for w \_ a \_ \_

m \_ \_ \_." ***Mark 5:8, 9***

**Legion** - A large military unit; A vast multitude; [archaic] Army; Amounting to a large indefinite number;

1. ***Devils* and *unclean spirits*** are unclean

"And when he had called unto him his twelve disciples, he gave them power against

***u \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ s \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_***, to cast them out, and to heal all manner of sickness and all manner of disease." ***Matthew 10:1***

1. ***Devils*** and ***unclean spirits*** are under Satan

PRINCE:

In Scripture, this name prince is given *to God*, ***Daniel 8***; *to Christ,* who is called the prince of peace, ***Isaiah 9***, and the prince of life, ***Acts 3***.; to the *chief of the priests*, the prince of the sanctuary, ***Isaiah 43***.; to the *Roman emperor*, ***Daniel 9***.; to *men of superior* *worth and excellence*, **Ecclesiastes 10**.; to *nobles, counselors and officers* of a kingdom, ***Isaiah 10***.; to the *chief men of families or tribes*, ***Numbers 17***.; *to Satan*, who is called the prince of this world, ***John 12***, and prince of the power of the air.., ***Ephesians 2***, and Beelzebub(Satan) ***Matthew 12***.

"But when the Pharisees heard it, they said, This fellow doth not cast out ***devils***, but by

B \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ t \_ \_ p \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ o \_ t \_ \_ ***d \_ \_ \_ \_ \_.*** And Jesus knew their thoughts, and said unto them, Every kingdom divided against itself is brought to desolation; and every city or house divided against itself shall not stand: And if Satan cast out Satan, he is divided against himself; how shall then his kingdom stand? And if I by Beelzebub cast out ***devils***, by whom do your children cast them out? therefore they shall be your judges. But if I cast out ***devils*** by the Spirit of God, then the kingdom of God is come unto you. Or else how can one enter into a strong man’s house, and spoil his goods, except he first bind the strong man? and then he will spoil his house. He that is not with me is against me; and he that gathereth not with me scattereth abroad." ***Matthew 12:24-30***

Did you notice in the Scripture that Jesus did not disagree with them that Satan is the prince of the ***devils***?

Some abilities of ***devils*** and ***unclean spirits***

1. ***Devils*** and ***unclean spirits*** have ability to recognize Jesus Christ, and fear Him

"And there was in their synagogue a man w \_ \_ \_ a \_ ***u \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ s \_ \_ \_ \_ \_;*** and he cried out, Saying, Let us alone; what have we to do with thee, t \_ \_ \_ J \_ \_ \_ \_ o \_

N \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_? art thou c \_ \_ \_ t \_ d \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ u \_? I k \_ \_ \_ t \_ \_ \_ w \_ \_ t \_ \_ \_ a \_ \_,

t \_ \_ H \_ \_ \_ O \_ \_ o \_ G \_ \_. And Jesus rebuked him, saying, Hold thy peace, and come out of him. And when the ***unclean spirit*** had torn him, and cried with a loud voice, he came out of him." ***Mark 1:23-26***

"Thou believest that there is one God; thou doest well: the ***devils*** also believe, a \_ \_

t \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_." ***James 2:19***

1. ***Devils*** and ***unclean spirits*** have the ability to possess a human being

**Possess** - Held by lawful title; occupied; affected by devils or invisible agents; influenced or controlled by a powerful force; frenzied, out of control; have ownership or possession of; enter into and control; owned.

"And when he was come to the other side into the country of the Gergesenes, there met him t \_ \_ p \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ w \_ \_ \_ ***d \_ \_ \_ \_ \_,*** coming out of the tombs, exceeding fierce, so that no man might pass by that way." ***Matthew 8:28***

1. ***Devils*** and ***unclean spirits*** have ability to know their destiny

"And, behold, they cried out, saying, What have we to do with thee, Jesus, thou Son of God? a \_ \_ t \_ \_ \_ c \_ \_ \_ h \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ t \_ t \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ u \_ b \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ t \_ \_ t \_ \_ \_? And there was a good way off from them an herd of many swine feeding. So the ***devils*** besought him, saying, If thou cast us out, suffer us to go away into the herd of swine." ***Matthew 8:29-31***

1. ***Devils*** and ***unclean spirits*** have ability to accept and seek sacrifice and worship

"What say I then? that the idol is any thing, or that which is offered in sacrifice to idols is any thing? But I say, that the things which the Gentiles sacrifice, t \_ \_ \_ s \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_

t \_ ***d \_ \_ \_ \_ \_,*** and n \_ \_ t \_ G \_ \_: and I would not that ye s \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ h \_ \_ \_

f \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ w \_ \_ \_ ***d \_ \_ \_ \_ \_."*** ***1 Corinthians 10:19,20***

1. ***Devils*** and ***unclean spirits*** have ability to deceive someone away from the Truth by seducing them and giving them a new doctrine

"Now the Spirit speaketh expressly, that in the latter times some shall d \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ f \_ \_ \_

t \_ \_ f \_ \_ \_ \_, g \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ h \_ \_ \_ to seducing ***spirits***, and doctrines of ***devils***;"

***1 Timothy 4:1***

Bible Truths concerning ***devils*** and ***unclean spirits***

1. ***Devils*** *and* ***unclean spirits*** *have their own false religions that they seduce and teach as doctrine to as many as they can.*

"Now the Spirit speaketh expressly, that in the latter times some s \_ \_ \_ \_ d \_ \_ \_ \_ \_

f \_ \_ \_ \_ **the** f \_ \_ \_ \_, giving heed to ***s \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ s \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_,*** and d \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ o \_ ***d \_ \_ \_ \_ \_;*** Speaking lies in hypocrisy; having their conscience seared with a hot iron; Forbidding to marry, and commanding to abstain from meats, which God hath created to be received with thanksgiving of them which believe and know the truth. For every creature of God is good, and nothing to be refused, if it be received with thanksgiving: For it is sanctified by the word of God and prayer." ***1 Timothy 4:1-5***

1. ***Devils*** *have an affinity for wet places, especially hot wet places.*

"For he said unto him, Come out of the man, thou ***unclean spirit***. And he asked him, What is thy name? And he answered, saying, My name is Legion: for we are many. And he b \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ h \_ \_ m \_ \_ \_ that h \_ w \_ \_ \_ \_ n \_ \_ s \_ \_ \_ t \_ \_ \_ away out of the country. Now there was there nigh unto the mountains a great herd of swine feeding. And a \_ \_ t \_ \_ ***d \_ \_ \_ \_ \_*** b \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ h \_ \_, saying, S \_ \_ \_ u \_ i \_ \_ \_ t \_ \_ s \_ \_ \_ \_, that we m \_ \_ e \_ \_ \_ \_ i \_ \_ \_ t \_ \_ \_. And forthwith Jesus gave them leave. And the ***unclean spirits*** went out, and entered into the swine: and the herd ran violently down a steep place i \_ \_ \_ t \_ \_ s \_ \_, (they were about two thousand;) and were choked in the sea."

***Mark 5:8-13***

"And when they were come to the multitude, there came to him a certain man, kneeling down to him, and saying, Lord, have mercy on my son: for he is lunatick, and sore vexed: for o \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ h \_ f \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ i \_ \_ \_ t \_ \_ f \_ \_ \_, and o \_ \_ i \_ \_ \_ t \_ \_ w \_ \_ \_ \_. And I brought him to thy disciples, and they could not cure him. Then Jesus answered and said, O faithless and perverse generation, how long shall I be with you? how long shall I suffer you? bring him hither to me. And Jesus rebuked t \_ \_ ***d \_ \_ \_ \_;*** and h \_

d \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ o \_ \_ o \_ h \_ \_: and t \_ \_ c \_ \_ \_ \_ w \_ \_ c \_ \_ \_ \_ from that very hour." ***Matthew 17:14-18***

"When the ***unclean spirit*** is gone out of a man, he walketh through d \_ \_ p \_ \_ \_ \_ \_,

s \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ r \_ \_ \_, and findeth none. Then he saith, I will return into my house from whence I came out; and when he is come, he findeth it empty, swept, and garnished. Then goeth he, and taketh with himself seven other ***spirits*** more wicked than himself, and they e \_ \_ \_ \_ i \_ and d \_ \_ \_ \_ t \_ \_ \_ \_: and the last state of t \_ \_ \_ m \_ \_ is worse than the first. Even so shall it be also unto this wicked generation." ***Matthew 12:43-45***

More interesting truths concerning the texts above, and the ***devils*** desires for dwelling places are these facts:

1. ***Devils*** seek a body. The human body is *80% water*. ***Mark 5:12***
2. The bodies thus inhabited tend to go to *water*. ***Matthew 17:15***; ***Mark:5:13***
3. The final destination of ***devils*** is the Lake of *Fire*. ***Revelation 20:10-15***
4. Also, the fallen angels of pre-deluge days are drowned in a flood of water.

***2 Peter 2:2-9***

1. Further insight is gathered in that the boy possessed with the ***devil*** in ***Matthew 17***, heads not only for water, but for fire.

The recent case of a Prominent Gay Rights Lawyer dying after setting himself on **fire** in a New York Park, leaving a suicide note, is a case in point.

Warm wet places are the moving point for ***devils*** as they are described in the Bible.

More brick and stone testimony can be found in places such as Shanghai, Honolulu, Chicago, New Orleans, Miami, Suez, Marseilles, Paris , London, New York, Los Angeles, Frisco, Cairo, Paducah, Baltimore and Natchez as the facts are that liquor, immorality, murder, and false doctrine follow the waterfronts and sea ports.

1. ***Devils*** *and* ***unclean spirits*** *refer to a man's body as "his house."*

"And you hath he quickened, w \_ \_ w \_ \_ \_ dead in trespasses and sins; Wherein in time past y \_ w \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ according to the course of this world, according to the p \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ o \_ t \_ \_ p \_ \_ \_ \_ o \_ t \_ \_ a \_ \_, t \_ \_ ***s \_ \_ \_ \_ \_*** that n \_ \_ w \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ i \_ t \_ \_

c \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ of disobedience: Among whom also w \_ a \_ \_ h \_ \_ our conversation in times past in the lusts of our flesh, fulfilling the desires of the flesh and of the mind; and were by nature the children of wrath, even as others." ***Ephesians 2:1-3***

This indicates that the Christians body is the Temple of God, and the unsaved man's body is the house of the "old man," the ***unclean spirit***. *"...Empty, swept and garnished"* as found in the verse above in ***Matthew 12:43-45*** shows the ***devils*** desire to return to, as he says, "my house."

1. ***Devils*** and ***unclean spirits*** have an affinity for heights.

"And when he was come out of the ship, immediately there met him out of the tombs a

m \_ \_ w \_ \_ \_ a \_ ***u \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ s \_ \_ \_ \_ \_,*** Who had his dwelling among the tombs; and no man could bind him, no, not with chains: Because that he had been often bound with

fetters and chains, and the chains had been plucked asunder by him, and the fetters broken in pieces: neither could any man tame him. And always, night and day, h \_ w \_ \_

i \_ t \_ \_ m \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_, and in the tombs, crying, and cutting himself with stones."

***Mark 5:2-5***

"And they said one to another, Go to, let us make brick, and burn them thoroughly. And they had brick for stone, and slime had they for morter. And they said, Go to, l \_ \_ u \_ build u \_ a city and a t \_ \_ \_ \_, whose t \_ \_ may r \_ \_ \_ \_ u \_ \_ \_ h \_ \_ \_ \_ \_; and l \_ \_ u \_ make u \_ a name, lest *we be scattered abroad upon the face of the whole earth*."

***Genesis 11:3,4***

"And he did that which was right in the sight of the LORD, according to all that his father Amaziah had done; S \_ \_ \_ t \_ \_ \_ t \_ \_ h \_ \_ \_ p \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ were n \_ \_ r \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_: the people s \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ and b \_ \_ \_ \_ i \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ still on the h \_ \_ \_ p \_ \_ \_ \_ \_.”

***2 Kings 15:3,4***

"How art t \_ \_ \_ f \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ from heaven, O Lucifer, son of the morning! how art thou cut d \_ \_ \_ to the ground, which didst weaken the nations! For thou hast said in thine heart, I will a \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ i \_ \_ \_ h \_ \_ \_ \_ \_, I will exalt my throne a \_ \_ \_ \_ t \_ \_ s \_ \_ \_ \_ o \_

G \_ \_: I will sit also upon t \_ \_ m \_ \_ \_ \_ of the congregation, in the sides of t \_ \_

n \_ \_ \_ \_:" ***Isaiah 14:12,13***

1. ***Devils*** and ***unclean spirits*** have an affinity for dead bodies.

"And a \_ \_ \_ \_ \_, night and day, he was in the mountains, and i \_ t \_ \_ t \_ \_ \_ \_, crying, and cutting himself with stones. And forthwith Jesus gave them leave. And the ***unclean spirits*** went out, and entered into the swine: and the herd ran violently down a steep place into the sea, (they were about two thousand;) and w \_ \_ \_ c \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ in the sea."

***Mark 5:5,13***

1. With ***devils*** and ***unclean spirits***, it is always religious.

"And cried with a loud voice, and said, What have I to do with thee, Jesus, thou Son of the most high God? I a \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ t \_ \_ \_ b \_ G \_ \_, that thou torment me not." ***Mark 5:7***

"And it came to pass, as we went to prayer, a certain damsel p \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ with a ***spirit*** of divination met us, which brought her masters much gain by soothsaying: The same followed Paul and us, and cried, saying, T \_ \_ \_ \_ m \_ \_ a \_ \_ t \_ \_ s \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ o \_ t \_ \_ m \_ \_ \_ h \_ \_ \_ G \_ \_, w \_ \_ \_ \_ s \_ \_ \_ u \_ \_ \_ u \_ t \_ \_ w \_ \_ o \_ s \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_. And this did she many days. But Paul, being grieved, turned and said to the ***spirit***, I command thee in the name of Jesus Christ to come out of her. And he came out the same hour." ***Acts 16:16-18***

"And they took the bullock which was given them, and they dressed it, and c \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ o \_ t \_ \_ n \_ \_ \_ o \_ B \_ \_ \_ from morning even until noon, saying, O Baal, hear us. But there was no voice, nor any that answered. And they leaped upon the altar which was made. And it came to pass at noon, that Elijah mocked them, and said, Cry aloud: for he is a god; either he is talking, or he is pursuing, or he is in a journey, or peradventure he

sleepeth, and must be awaked. And they cried aloud, and c \_ \_ t \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ after their manner w \_ \_ \_ k \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ a \_ \_ l \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_, till the blood gushed out upon them." ***1 Kings 18:26-28***

1. ***Devils*** and ***unclean spirits*** can exhibit unusual strength, and does not yield to love or persuasion.

"Because that he had been often bound with fetters and chains, and the chains h \_ \_

b \_ \_ \_ p \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ a \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ b \_ h \_ \_, and t \_ \_ f \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ b \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ i \_

p \_ \_ \_ \_ \_: neither c \_ \_ \_ \_ a \_ \_ m \_ \_ t \_ \_ \_ h \_ \_." ***Mark 5:4***

Practices of devils and unclean spirits

1. ***Devils*** and ***unclean spirits*** are involved in the practices of Divination and Soothsaying.

Divination is the ability, with the aid of ***devils***, to foresee or tell the future. To divine. It is discovering things secret or obscure, with the aid of ***devils***. This practice is strictly not tolerated in the Old Testament with the penalty of death.

"A man also or woman t \_ \_ \_ h \_ \_ \_ a f \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ ***s \_ \_ \_ \_ \_,*** or that is a wizard, shall surely b \_ p \_ \_ t \_ d \_ \_ \_ \_: they shall stone them with stones: their blood shall be upon them." ***Leviticus 20:27***

"And it came to pass, as we went to prayer, a certain damsel p \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ with a ***spirit*** of d \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ met us, which brought her masters much gain by

s \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_:" ***Acts 16:16***

1. ***Devils*** and ***unclean spirits*** are involved in the practicing of Necromancy.

Necromancy is practice of revealing future events by means of attempting to communicate with the dead. ***Devils*** and ***unclean spirits*** often can be found in this practice. Enchantment; Conjuration. This practice of ***devil*** worship is sin in God's sight.

"And the soul t \_ \_ \_ t \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ a \_ \_ \_ \_ s \_ \_ \_ a \_ h \_ \_ \_ f \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ ***s \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_,*** and after wizards, to go a whoring after them, I will even set my face against that soul, and will cut him off from among his people." ***Leviticus 20:6***

We see example of this with King Saul and the woman of Endor that spoke with the dead.

"And the woman said unto him, Behold, thou knowest what Saul hath done, how he hath c \_ \_ o \_ \_ t \_ \_ \_ \_ that h \_ \_ \_ f \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ ***s \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_,*** and t \_ \_ w \_ \_ \_ \_ \_, out of the land: wherefore then layest thou a snare for my life, to cause me to die? And Saul swear to her by the LORD, saying, As the LORD liveth, there shall no punishment happen to thee for this thing. Then said the woman, W \_ \_ \_ s \_ \_ \_ \_ I b \_ \_ \_ \_ u \_ unto thee? And he said, Bring me up Samuel. And when the woman saw Samuel, she cried with a loud voice: and the woman spake to Saul, saying, Why hast thou deceived me? for thou art Saul. And the king said unto her, Be not afraid: for what sawest thou? And the woman said unto Saul, I s \_ \_ g \_ \_ \_ a \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ out of the earth. And he said unto her, What form is he of? And she said, An old man c \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ u \_; and he is covered with a mantle. And Saul perceived that it was Samuel, and he stooped with his face to the ground, and bowed himself. And Samuel said to Saul, Why hast thou d \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ m \_, t \_ b \_ \_ \_ \_ m \_ u \_? And Saul answered, I am sore distressed; for the Philistines make war against me, and God is departed from me, and answereth me no more, neither by prophets, nor by dreams: therefore I have called thee, that thou mayest make known unto me what I shall do." ***1 Samuel 28:9-15***

1. ***Devils*** and ***unclean spirits*** are involved in Prognostication.

Prognostication is a form of ***devil*** worship to foreshow or indicate a future event by present signs. It includes divination, idols and inspection of innards of animals and is carried out in modern times by such things as palmistry and the reading of head lumps.

The Lord called this wickedness and aligned it with such things as sorcery and astrology.

"For thou hast t \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ i \_ t \_ \_ w \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_: thou hast said, None seeth me. Thy wisdom and thy knowledge, it hath perverted thee; and thou hast said in thine heart, I am, and none else beside me. Therefore shall evil come upon thee; thou shalt not know from whence it riseth: and mischief shall fall upon thee; thou shalt not be able to put it off: and desolation shall come upon thee suddenly, which thou shalt not know. Stand now with thine e \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_, and with the multitude of thy s \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_, wherein thou hast labored from thy youth; if so be thou shalt be able to profit, if so be thou mayest prevail. Thou art wearied in the multitude of thy counsels. Let now the

a \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_, the s \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_, the monthly p \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_, stand up, and save thee from these things that shall come upon thee. Behold, they shall be as stubble; the fire shall burn them; they shall not deliver themselves from the power of the flame: there shall not be a coal to warm at, nor fire to sit before it." ***Isaiah 47:10-14***

1. ***Devils*** and ***unclean spirits*** are involved with magic.

Magic entailed a mixture of science, astronomy, astrology, and works of ***devils***. Much of this we find recorded in the books of Exodus and Daniel. It is practiced today in the form of hypnotism, mind cures, fortune telling and various other ways. ***Devils*** and ***unclean spirits*** deceive many people in assisting them to think they have powers they do not have, and those that welcome and entertain the ***devils*** powers into their lives.

"And Moses and Aaron went in unto Pharaoh, and they did so as the LORD had commanded: and Aaron cast down his rod before Pharaoh, and before his servants, and it became a serpent. Then Pharaoh also called the wise men and the sorcerers: now the

m \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ of Egypt, they also d \_ \_ i \_ l \_ \_ \_ m \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ w \_ \_ \_ t \_ \_ \_ \_

e \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_. For they cast down every man his rod, and t \_ \_ \_ b \_ \_ \_ \_ \_

s \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_: but Aaron’s rod swallowed up their rods." ***Exodus 7:10-12***

"Daniel answered in the presence of the king, and said, The secret which the king hath demanded cannot the wise men, the astrologers, the m \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_, the soothsayers, shew unto the king;" ***Daniel 2:27***

1. ***Devils*** and ***unclean spirits*** are involved in sorcery.

This involves formulas on astronomy, chemistry, familiar spirits, and especially the use of drugs. In the book of Revelation the word means the use of pharmaceuticals or pharmacies. We see these things read about in the books of Isaiah and Acts, among others.

"Therefore hear now this, thou that art given to pleasures, that dwellest carelessly, that sayest in thine heart, I am, and none else beside me; I shall not sit as a widow, neither shall I know the loss of children: But these two things shall come to thee in a moment in one day, the loss of children, and widowhood: they shall come upon thee in their perfection f \_ \_ t \_ \_ m \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ o \_ t \_ \_ s \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_, and for the great abundance of thine enchantments." ***Isaiah 47:8,9***

"For ***unclean spirits****,* crying with loud voice, came out of many that were possessed with them: and many taken with palsies, and that were lame, were healed. And there was great joy in that city. But there was a certain man, called Simon, which beforetime in the same city u \_ \_ \_ s \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_, and b \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ t \_ \_ p \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ of Samaria, giving out that himself w \_ \_ s \_ \_ \_ g \_ \_ \_ \_ o \_ \_: To whom t \_ \_ \_ a \_ \_ g \_ \_ \_ h \_ \_ \_, from the least to the greatest, saying, This man is t \_ \_ g \_ \_ \_ \_ p \_ \_ \_ \_ o \_ G \_ \_. And to him t \_ \_ \_

h \_ \_ r \_ \_ \_ \_ \_, because that of long time he had b \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ t \_ \_ \_ w \_ \_ \_

s \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_." ***Acts 8:7-11***

1. ***Devils*** and ***unclean spirits*** are involved in witchcraft.

Witchcraft is plainly part of the involvement and behavior of ***devils*** and ***unclean spirits***. It is condemned in the Holy Scriptures as essentially ***devil*** worship and rebellion.

"Now the works of the flesh are manifest, which are these; Adultery, fornication, uncleanness, lasciviousness, Idolatry, w \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_, hatred, variance, emulations, wrath, strife, seditions, heresies, Envyings, murders, drunkenness, revellings, and such like: of the which I tell you before, as I have also told you in time past, that they which do such things shall not inherit the kingdom of God." ***Galatians 5:19-21***

"For rebellion is as t \_ \_ s \_ \_ o \_ w \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_, and stubbornness is as iniquity and idolatry. Because thou hast rejected the word of the LORD, he hath also rejected thee from being king." ***1 Samuel 15:23***

Recognizing ***devil*** possession and the influence of ***unclean spirits***

There are many, many, many things that can be noted when trying to identify someone with having ***devils*** or ***unclean spirits***, or are being influenced by them. Especially in today's world with the worldwide open wickedness going on. The world, and mankind is drawing near to a unrecognizable global morality disaster. What is meant by unrecognizable is that open sin and outright rebellion against God and His word and His ways is flourishing as never before. The enemy and his forces are putting out the flame of shame. There is very little shame among men. To the lost man it is almost impossible for him to see light as once before when it passes by. The Church has grown so Laodicea minded that its ability to be light has become hazed, and the ability to identify right and wrong is leaving the Church. Because of this, the spirit world is able to disguise itself more efficiently. Man's frivolous ways of thinking he can solve spiritual problems with carnal remedies is never going to accomplish anything. "Vanity of vanities..." Solomon says. Below are a few tests that ***devils*** and ***unclean spirits*** abide.

1. The first thing is to have the ability to recognize ***unclean spirits*** and ***devilish*** behavior.

The way that a Christian tells that he is going in the right direction, is that he is going ***away from the wrong direction***. The way that a Christian tells something is light, is by ***being able to identify what is darkness***. A saved person must be sincere, and walking with the Lord to be able to see the enemy at work. Just because someone is saved and on their way to heaven, does not mean they have the ability to identify ***unclean spirits***. Some Christians live as wicked a life as unsaved people do.

"This then is the message which we have heard of him, and declare unto you, that G ­­\_ \_

i \_ l \_ \_ \_ \_, and i \_ h \_ \_ i \_ n \_ d \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ a \_ a \_ \_. If w \_ s \_ \_ t \_ \_ \_ w \_ h \_ \_ \_

f \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ w \_ \_ \_ h \_ \_, and w \_ \_ \_ i \_ d \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_, w \_ l \_ \_, and d \_ n \_ \_

t \_ \_ t \_ \_ \_ \_: But if we walk in the light, as he is in the light, we have fellowship one with another, and the blood of Jesus Christ his Son cleanseth us from all sin. If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us." ***1 John 1:5-8***

"Having therefore these promises, dearly beloved, let us cleanse ourselves from a \_ \_

f \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ of t \_ \_ f \_ \_ \_ \_ and s \_ \_ \_ \_ \_, perfecting holiness in the fear of God." ***2 Corinthians 7:1***

"For ye were sometimes darkness, b \_ \_ n \_ \_ a \_ \_ y \_ l \_ \_ \_ \_ i \_ t \_ \_ L \_ \_ \_: walk as children of light:" ***Ephesians 5:8***

1. Those that are connected with ***unclean spirits*** and ***devils***will like ,and prefer, to work and live in THE DARK.

"And this is the condemnation, that light is come into the world, and m \_ \_ l \_ \_ \_ \_

d \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ r \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ t \_ \_ \_ l \_ \_ \_ \_, because their deeds were evil. For every one that doeth evil h \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ t \_ \_ l \_ \_ \_ \_, neither cometh to the light, lest his deeds should be reproved. But he that doeth truth cometh to the light, that his deeds may be made manifest, that they are wrought in God." ***John 3:19-21***

The Scripture says some men like light and some men like darkness, not only spiritually, but literally. You know "the night life!" Pull the curtains, turn down the lights! When have you ever heard the ones that "party" doing it in the daytime? It's the Nightlife!

"But ye, brethren, are not in darkness, that that day should overtake you as a thief. Ye are all the children of light, and the children of the day: we are not of the night, nor of darkness. Therefore let us not sleep, as do others; but let us watch and be sober. For they that sleep sleep i \_ t \_ \_ n \_ \_ \_ \_; and they that b \_ d \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ are d \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ i \_ t \_ \_ n \_ \_ \_ \_. But let us, who are of the day, be sober, putting on the breastplate of faith and love; and for an helmet, the hope of salvation."***1 Thessalonians 5:4-8***

The Bible does not say that everyone that is up at night has ***devils*** or ***unclean spirits***, it says that 'the one's whose deeds are evil, LOVE DARKNESS and HATETH THE LIGHT.' ***Devils*** and ***unclean spirits*** are more active in the dark than the light, ask the first responders and the police.

1. Those that are influenced by **devils** and **unclean spirits** will deny the personality of Satan as an evil being.

There is not one false religion that comes from overseas to this country and even arising in this country that is really false and connected with ***devil*** worship, that doesn't tell you that *there is no such thing as an absolute being that is absolutely wicked*. That is, there are only "influences and pressures."

"Now the serpent w \_ \_ m \_ \_ \_ s \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ than any beast of the field which the LORD God had made. And he said unto the woman, Yea, hath God said, Ye shall not eat of every tree of the garden? And the woman said unto the serpent, We may eat of the fruit of the trees of the garden: But of the fruit of the tree which is in the midst of the garden, God hath said, Ye shall not eat of it, neither shall ye touch it, lest ye die. And the serpent said unto the woman, Ye shall not surely die: For God doth know that in the day ye eat thereof, then your eyes shall be opened, and ye shall be as gods, knowing good and evil. And when the woman saw that the tree was good for food, and that it was pleasant to the eyes, and a tree to be desired to make one wise, she took of the fruit thereof, and did eat, and gave also unto her husband with her; and he did eat." ***Genesis 3:1-6***

Did you notice how the serpent made himself look and sound like a caring, sharing kind of person. I'm here to help and I care about your welfare and want you to have your rights. Talk about "the kiss of death!"

"Ye are of your father the ***devil***, and t ­\_ \_ l \_ \_ \_ \_ of your father y \_ w \_ \_ \_ d \_. He was a m \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ from the beginning, and a \_ \_ \_ \_ n \_ \_ i \_ t \_ \_ t \_ \_ \_ \_, because there

i \_ n \_ t \_ \_ \_ \_ i \_ h \_ \_. When he s \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ a l \_ \_, he speaketh of his own: for h \_

i \_ a l \_ \_ \_, and the f \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ o \_ i \_." ***John 8:44***

After the Lord Jesus saying all the things about Satan, why would anyone think that Satan was someone to be trusted or listened to except, someone influenced by his crowd. The ungodly like to take up for him and declare His innocence, even after Jesus say's there is "no truth in him ."

1. ***Devil*** possessed people hate the name of the Lord Jesus Christ.

"Wherefore I give you to understand, that no man speaking by the Spirit of God

c \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ J \_ \_ \_ \_ a \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_: and that no man can say that J \_ \_ \_ \_ i \_ t \_ \_

L \_ \_ \_, but by the Holy Ghost. ***1 Corinthians 12:3***

"And being found in fashion as a man, he humbled himself, and became obedient unto death, even the death of the cross. Wherefore God also hath highly exalted him, and

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J \_ \_ \_ \_ every knee should bow, of things in heaven, and things in earth, and things under the earth; And that e \_ \_ \_ \_ t \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ s \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ c \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ that J \_ \_ \_ \_

C \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ i \_ L \_ \_ \_, to the glory of God the Father." ***Philippians 2:8-11***

1. Those that are possessed or influenced by **devils** and **unclean spirits** will deny that Jesus Christ is come in the flesh.

"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:

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

1. **Devil** possession and influence is marked by sadism or masochism.

**Sadism** - Sexual pleasure (fleshy)obtained by inflicting harm (physical or psychological) on others.

**Masochism** - Sexual pleasure (fleshy)obtained from receiving pain or punishment (physical or psychological) or being abused or dominated.

"And a \_ \_ \_ \_ \_, night and day, he was in the mountains, and in the tombs, crying, and

c \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ h \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ with stones." ***Mark 5:5***

"The Lord knoweth how to deliver the godly out of temptations, and to reserve the unjust unto the day of judgment to be punished: But chiefly them t \_ \_ \_ w \_ \_ \_ a \_ \_ \_ \_ t \_ \_

f \_ \_ \_ \_ in the l \_ \_ \_ of u \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_, and despise government. Presumptuous are they, selfwilled, they are not afraid to speak evil of dignities. Whereas angels, which are greater in power and might, bring not railing accusation against them before the Lord. But these, as natural brute beasts, made to be taken and destroyed, speak evil of the things that they understand not; and shall utterly perish in their own corruption; And shall receive the reward of unrighteousness, a \_ t \_ \_ \_ t \_ \_ \_ c \_ \_ \_ \_ i \_ p \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ t \_

r \_ \_ \_ in the day time. Spots they are and blemishes, sporting themselves with their own deceivings while they feast with you; Having e \_ \_ \_ f \_ \_ \_ o \_ a \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_, and that cannot cease from sin; beguiling unstable souls: an heart they have exercised with covetous practices; cursed children: " ***2 Peter 2:9-14***

1. ***Devil*** possession and influence is marked by excessive crying and nakedness.

"And \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_, n \_ \_ \_ \_ and d \_ \_, he was in the mountains, and in the tombs,

c \_ \_ \_ \_ \_, and cutting himself with stones." ***Mark 5:5***

"And they arrived at the country of the Gadarenes, which is over against Galilee. And when he went forth to land, there met him out of the city a certain man, which had ***devils*** long time, and w \_ \_ \_ n \_ c \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_, neither abode in any house, but in the tombs." ***Luke 8:26,27***

1. ***Devil*** possession and influence is genuine spiritual schizophrenia.

"And he asked him, What is thy name? And he answered, saying, M \_ n \_ \_ \_ is Legion:

f \_ \_ w \_ a \_ \_ m \_ \_ \_." ***Mark 5:9***

1. ***Devil*** possession is not insanity

"And his fame went throughout all Syria: and they brought unto him a \_ \_ s \_ \_ \_ people that were taken with d \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ d \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ and t \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_, and those which were p \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ w \_ \_ \_ ***d \_ \_ \_ \_ \_***, and those which were l \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_, and those that had the p \_ \_ \_ \_; and he healed them." ***Matthew 4:24***

Notice in the verse that "possessed with ***devils*** and lunatick are two separate problems that the Lord healed.

1. ***Devil*** possession is not a disease

"And at even, when the sun did set, they brought unto him all that w \_ \_ \_ d \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_, and them that were p \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ w \_ \_ \_ ***d \_ \_ \_ \_ \_."*** ***Mark 1:32***

Again, as above, the Holy Scriptures do not classify ***devil*** possession as a disease. Do you see that. What does the Bible "SAY."

1. ***Devil*** possession cannot be tamed.

"And they came over unto the other side of the sea, into the country of the Gadarenes. And when he was come out of the ship, immediately there met him out of the tombs a

m \_ \_ w \_ \_ \_ a \_ ***u \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ s \_ \_ \_ \_ \_***, Who had his dwelling among the tombs; and no man could bind him, no, not with chains: Because that he had been often bound with fetters and chains, and the chains had been plucked asunder by him, and the fetters broken in pieces: n \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ c \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ a \_ \_ m \_ \_ t \_ \_ \_ h \_ \_." ***Mark 5:1-4***

Society does not want to acknowledge the real ***spirit*** world unless it is in the movies or can make them a buck. There are many caring Doctors and Psychiatrist that work at trying to help people sincerely and their profession is not a god to them. They are trying to help. However, trying to solve a spiritual problem with carnal remedies is vanity. It takes the power of God the Holy Ghost and the word of God to fix spiritual problems, and ***devils*** and ***unclean spirits*** are ***spirits***. When Jesus the "Word of God in the flesh" showed up, it was no longer a contest. Jesus "said" "get out" and they got out. Gods written word is alive. ***Psalms 12:6,7*** Jesus Himself said a man is clean through the "word" He has spoken. ***John 15:3***

"Sanctify them t \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ thy truth: t \_ \_ w \_ \_ \_ is truth." ***John 17:17***

Only Gods words have the power to overcome ***devils*** and ***unclean spirits***. Any carnal man claiming and pretending to cast out ***devils*** is a fake. F.A.K.E., fake. If you don't believe it ask the seven sons of Sceva! They'll fill you in. ***Acts 19:13-17*** When Gods word is sincerely brought in to a ***devil*** environment, they take heed.

Some instances of ***devil*** and ***unclean spirit*** possession

1. The man in the synagogue

"And there was in their synagogue a m \_ \_ w \_ \_ \_ a \_ ***u \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ s \_ \_ \_ \_ \_***; and he cried out, Saying, Let us alone; what have we to do with thee, thou Jesus of Nazareth? art thou come to destroy us? I know thee who thou art, the Holy One of God. And Jesus rebuked him, saying, Hold thy peace, and come out of him. And when the ***unclean spirit*** had torn him, and cried with a loud voice, he came out of him." ***Mark 1:23-26***

A ***unclean spirit*** cannot come out of a man unless first, it was in him.

1. The blind and dumb man

Then was brought unto him one p \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ w \_ \_ \_ a ***d \_ \_ \_ \_***, blind, and dumb: and he healed him, insomuch that the blind and dumb both spake and saw. And all the people were amazed, and said, Is not this the son of David? But when the Pharisees heard it, they said, This fellow doth not c \_ \_ \_ o \_ \_ ***d \_ \_ \_ \_ \_,*** but by Beelzebub the prince of the ***devils***." ***Matthew 12:22-24***

1. The two men of the Gergesenes

"And when he was come to the other side into the country of the Gergesenes, there met him t \_ \_ p \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ w \_ \_ \_ ***d \_ \_ \_ \_ \_,*** coming out of the tombs, exceeding fierce, so that no man might pass by that way. And, behold, they cried out, saying, What have we to do with thee, Jesus, thou Son of God? art thou come hither to torment us before the time? And there was a good way off from them an herd of many swine feeding. So the ***devils*** besought him, saying, If thou cast us out, suffer us to go away into the herd of swine. And he said unto them, Go. And when they were come out, they went into the herd of swine: and, behold, the whole herd of swine ran violently down a steep place into the sea, and perished in the waters. And they that kept them fled, and went their ways into the city, and told every thing, and what was befallen to the p \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ o \_ t \_ \_

***d \_ \_ \_ \_ \_.*** And, behold, the whole city came out to meet Jesus: and when they saw him, they besought him that he would depart out of their coasts." ***Matthew 8:28-34***

1. The dumb man

"As they went out, behold, they brought to him a dumb man p \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ w \_ \_ \_ a

***d \_ \_ \_ \_***. And when the ***devil*** was cast out, the dumb spake: and the multitudes marvelled, saying, It was never so seen in Israel." ***Matthew 9:32,33***

1. The Canaanite woman's daughter

"And, behold, a woman of Canaan came out of the same coasts, and cried unto him, saying, Have mercy on me, O Lord, thou son of David; my daughter is g \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ v \_ \_ \_ \_ w \_ \_ \_ a ***d \_ \_ \_ \_***. But he answered her not a word. And his disciples came and besought him, saying, Send her away; for she crieth after us. But he answered and said, I am not sent but unto the lost sheep of the house of Israel. Then came she and worshipped him, saying, Lord, help me. But he answered and said, It is not meet to take the children’s bread, and to cast it to dogs. And she said, Truth, Lord: yet the dogs eat of the crumbs which fall from their masters’ table. Then Jesus answered and said unto her, O woman, great is thy faith: be it unto thee even as thou wilt. And her daughter was made whole from that very hour." ***Matthew 15:22-28***

1. The epileptic child

"And when they were come to the multitude, there came to him a certain man, kneeling down to him, and saying, Lord, have mercy on m \_ s \_ \_: for he is lunatick, and sore vexed: for ofttimes he falleth into the fire, and oft into the water. And I brought him to thy disciples, and they could not cure him. Then Jesus answered and said, O faithless and perverse generation, how long shall I be with you? how long shall I suffer you? bring him hither to me. And Jesus r \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ t \_ \_ ***d \_ \_ \_ \_***; and he departed out of him: and the child was cured from that very hour. Then came the disciples to Jesus apart, and said, Why could not we cast him out? And Jesus said unto them, Because of your unbelief: for verily I say unto you, If ye have faith as a grain of mustard seed, ye shall say unto this mountain, Remove hence to yonder place; and it shall remove; and nothing shall be impossible unto you. Howbeit this kind goeth not out but by prayer and fasting." ***Matthew 17:14-21***

1. Mary Magdalene

"Now when Jesus was risen early the first day of the week, he appeared first to Mary Magdalene, out of whom h \_ h \_ \_ c \_ \_ \_ s \_ \_ \_ \_ ***d \_ \_ \_ \_ \_***." ***Mark 16:9***

This concludes this study concerning ***devils*** and ***unclean spirits***. It by no means exhausts what there is to know concerning them, but familiarizes us as to what the Bible "says." Christians are not to spend a great deal of time trying to know things concerning ***devils*** and ***unclean spirits***. However, we are supposed to be familiar enough to learn and know how to resist them and not listen to them. Yes, they do speak to you! You don't know that? They spoke to Jesus didn't they? As a matter of fact, they were rebuked by the Lord several times to shut up so no one else would here their words.

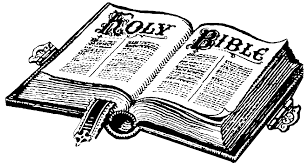
"S \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ yourselves therefore t \_ G \_ \_. R \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ t \_ \_ ***d \_ \_ \_ \_***, and h \_ w \_ \_ \_

flee from you." ***James 4:7***

We are to study the things concerning the Lord, and what His word says. We are to set our affections on things above. We are to learn to listen, and yield to the **Holy Spirits** leading and directing us.

"Neither give place to the ***devil***." ***Ephesians 4:27***

"If ye then be risen with Christ, **seek those things which are above**, where Christ sitteth on the right hand of God. **Set your affection on things above**, not on things on the earth." ***Colossians 3:1,2***

"There is therefore now no condemnation to them which are in Christ Jesus, who walk not after the flesh, but after **the Spirit**. For the law of **the** **Spirit of life** in Christ Jesus hath made me free from the law of sin and death. For what the law could not do, in that it was weak through the flesh, God sending his own Son in the likeness of sinful flesh, and for sin, condemned sin in the flesh: That the righteousness of the law might be fulfilled in us, who walk not after the flesh, but after **the Spirit**. For they that are after the flesh do mind the things of the flesh; but they that are after **the Spirit** the things of **the Spirit**. For to be carnally minded is death; but to be spiritually minded is life and peace. Because the carnal mind is enmity against God: for it is not subject to the law of God, neither indeed can be. So then they that are in the flesh cannot please God. But ye are not in the flesh, but in **the Spirit**, if so be that **the Spirit of God** dwell in you. Now if any man have not the **Spirit of Christ**, he is none of his. And if Christ be in you, the body is dead because of sin; but **the Spirit** is life because of righteousness. But if **the Spirit** of him that raised up Jesus from the dead dwell in you, he that raised up Christ from the dead shall also quicken your mortal bodies by **his Spirit** that dwelleth in you. Therefore, brethren, we are debtors, not to the flesh, to live after the flesh. For if ye live after the flesh, ye shall die: but if ye through **the Spirit** do mortify the deeds of the body, ye shall live. For as many as are led by **the Spirit of God**, they are the sons of God. For ye have not received the spirit of bondage again to fear; but ye have received **the Spirit** of adoption, whereby we cry, Abba, Father. **The Spirit** itself beareth witness with our spirit, that we are the children of God:" ***Romans 8:1-16***