

# The Kingdom of Darkness

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[ 0 : 00 ] I greet you in the name of Jesus this morning. It has been good to be here. And I believe the Lord is here.

I believe he has been directing. Thank you.

This morning I want to talk about some of the other side. I want to talk about some of the powers of darkness and some of what our enemy Satan has built up against the people of God.

We'll start in Ephesians chapter 6. Our brother already read these first couple verses, but we'll read them again.

Ephesians chapter 6. I think I'll just read 10 through 14.

[ 1 : 39 ] Finally, my brethren, be strong in the Lord and in the power of his might. Put on the whole armor of God, that ye may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil.

For we wrestle not against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of the darkness of this world, against spiritual wickedness in high places.

Wherefore, take unto you the whole armor of God, that ye may be able to withstand in the evil day.

And having done all to stand, stand therefore, having your loins girt about with truth.

This morning we will be looking at a lot of true and false. You know, in Hosea, there's a verse that says, says, My people are destroyed for lack of knowledge.

My people are destroyed for lack of knowledge. So, you know, to a certain extent, we need to know what we're facing. We need to know the wiles of the devil.

[ 3 : 00 ] We need to know the enemy that is coming to deceive us. You know, like we brought out in that other message, you know, that was the aspect of physical healing.

We've talked much about salvation and being bought by the blood of Jesus. You know, God has his program. God has its way.

He has his way. It is by the word of God. It has always been by the word of God. It will not change.

But our enemy, he's always changing. He's always adding new. He's always bringing in other things and new ways and other things.

And as we stand on truth and do not turn to the right or to the left, that will be our protection against deception.

[ 4 : 16 ] As we are led by the Spirit of God and allow him to teach us and allow him to direct us in every situation of life, that is our protection against deception.

But the kingdom of darkness is very real. It has always been. But I would say in the last decades, it has strengthened and it is more obvious, it is more militant than it has been.

But let's look at these verses that we read here. He admonishes us to be strong in the power of the Lord's might.

To put on the whole armor of God. And when we have the whole armor of God, then to stand against the wiles of the devil.

To stand firm against wiles. What do you think of when you look at that word wiles? Isn't it trickery or something trying to deceive, trying to lead you astray, trying to trick you into something?

[ 5 : 43 ] In chapter 4 here in Ephesians, he says in verse 14, So what he's warning us about is that there's men that the devil uses to bring deception, to bring false doctrine, to bring winds of doctrine that will bring us into bondage, that will lead us astray, that will bring us into confusion.

You know, a few marks of witchcraft and sorcery, one of them is confusion. God is not the author of confusion.

And so when something comes that brings confusion, look at its source and where it comes from.

Many times when the enemy is gaining influence, he will bring conflict, another mark of the enemy.

You know, and a lot of people that are under attack and they've given in maybe in some areas or the devil has some stronghold in their life.

They will continually, many times you see them battling depression and mental things and so on. [ 7 : 24 ] Endless conflicts, endless struggles. You know, there's demonic influence in all of those things and a lot more. And what we will be looking at this morning will be just a fraction of what we could actually cover.

And maybe more later, we don't know. We wrestle not against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of the darkness of this world.

Spiritual wickedness in high places. You know, the devil doesn't send his best troops down to the bar. He's already got those people.

He sends his best troops against the church of Jesus Christ. He sends his best troops against those that carry the testimony of Jesus.

Those are the ones that he sends his best and his most powerful after. He says here, we wrestle against the rulers of the darkness of this world.

[ 8 : 49 ] This life that we're living, it's not a game. The devil is playing for keeps. And if he can trick you, there is eternity to pay.

We are in a war. And the devil, he's a master compromiser.

He's a master trader. He will give you something you want if you will sell your soul or if you will compromise.

Why? Because he knows if he can get you to compromise in even just something little, in something small, he will have a stronghold in your life.

He will have a foothold in there that he can work off of. So he doesn't mind doing a compromise. He doesn't mind giving you something that you need or want, even something that you've been asking God for.

[ 10 : 12 ] He doesn't mind doing that. You know, remember when Jesus was tempted. Jesus was hungry after 40 days of fasting and praying.

And here comes the devil and he says, if you're the son of God, command these stones, they be made bread. You're hungry. You need something to eat. You need strength.

But if Jesus would have done that, and he could have, but if Jesus would have done that, what would have happened?

He would have been bowing down to the devil. Even though Jesus would have, even though the devil would have given him something that he needed, something that he could use.

And that is many times how he will come to us today. He will offer us something that we can use, something we need, something that might look legitimate and might be legitimate, but there's a price to pay.

[ 11 : 18 ] There's a price to pay for anything that you receive from the wrong powers. spiritual wickedness in high places.

Awesome words. In 1 Corinthians chapter 10, we'll read a few verses here, starting in verse 20.

But I say that the things which the Gentiles sacrifice, they sacrifice to devils and not to God.

And I would not that ye should have fellowship with devils. Ye cannot drink the cup of the Lord and the cup of devils.

Ye cannot be partakers of the Lord's table and of the table of devils. Do we provoke the Lord to jealousy? Are we stronger than he?

[ 12 : 22 ] You cannot, you cannot ride the fence. You cannot, you cannot dabble in the things of the occult, in the things of the dark kingdom and also walk in the kingdom of light.

It's impossible. And so if there's anything that we have in our life, in our home, in our church that belongs to the devil, that gives him a right to be there, that gives him a right into your life, it gives him influence and he owns a part of you.

Remember Jesus when he was there, I believe it was before Gethsemane, he told the disciples, he said, not sure of the exact words, but that Satan was coming, but he has nothing in me.

Jesus was saying, I'm facing the enemy. I'm facing a big battle. He's coming. It's going to be a hard battle, but there's nothing in me that belongs to the devil.

Therefore, Jesus had the victory. Therefore, Jesus did not need to bow to him. He didn't give up. He didn't give in, but he was true and steadfast.

[ 13 : 58 ] Yes, he prayed, if it were possible, might this cup pass from me, but he knew that he had to die. He knew that he had to go to the cross and he did not draw away from that.

In 2 Corinthians 2, I might have quoted this already, but we're right there. Verse 11 says, Lest Satan should get an advantage of us, for we are not ignorant of his devices.

You know, we must not be ignorant of the devices of the enemy. If we are ignorant, he will gain an advantage over us. You know, what general will take his army out to war, out to battle, without first trying to figure out the capabilities of his enemy and trying to see where the enemy is at and how he's acting, what he expects the enemy to do.

We must know the devices of the enemy. We cannot be ignorant. We must know his devices. devices in chapter 11, 2 Corinthians 11. He's talking about false apostles, false teachers.

[ 15 : 36 ] He says in verse 13, For such are false apostles, deceitful workers, transforming themselves into the apostles of Christ.

And no marvel, for Satan himself is transformed into the angel of light. Therefore, if it is no great thing of his ministers also, therefore, it is no great thing if his ministers also be transformed as the ministers of righteousness whose end shall be according to their works.

Satan, he transforms himself into an angel of light. He comes trying to show that he is the answer, trying to show that he is good, trying to show coming camouflaged.

When he comes as a roaring lion, we recognize him and we see and we know who he is. But Peter admonishes us, he says, to be sober and to be vigilant and to be vigilant.

I believe part of that is to know the devices of the enemy, to know how, you know, to have discernment.

[ 17 : 01 ] You know, if we are walking with Christ, the Holy Ghost within us will show us the things that are of the enemy.

he will show us if we will allow him to teach us. If we have that relationship with our Lord Jesus, that he can lead us and he can show us, he can give us discernment, he can deliver us from the powers of darkness.

darkness. John chapter 8, just a couple of verses here.

John 8, verse 31, 32. If ye continue in my word, then are ye my disciples indeed, and ye shall know the truth, and the truth shall set you free.

36. If the Son, therefore, shall make you free, ye shall be free indeed. You know, knowing the truth, and loving the truth.

[ 18 : 44 ] You know, we read in Ephesians about having that truth. And so, it is as we love the truth that he will set us free, and he will keep us free from every bondage of the enemy.

to stand in truth, not wavering, not compromising, but to stand firm and faithful in truth, lest Satan should get an advantage over us.

Satan tries to hide his works and his things in the darkness, darkness. But if we walk in the light, oh, hallelujah, what a protection.

Satan takes advantage of ignorance. That's why we need to not be ignorant of his devices.

You know, in 2 Corinthians chapter 4, there's a few verses I want to get there. There. here he says in chapter 4, we'll start in verse 2, I have renounced the hidden things of dishonesty, not walking in craftiness, nor handling the word of God deceitfully, but by manifestation of the truth, commending ourselves to every man's conscience in the sight of God.

[ 20 : 27 ] But if our gospel be hid, it is hid to them that are lost, in whom the God of this world hath blinded the minds of them which believe not, lest the light of the glorious gospel of Christ, who is the image of God, should shine unto them.

this gospel, the gospel that we preach, the truth that we proclaim, the truth that we must love, the truth that we stand upon, that it is this word, it is this Bible, and he warns us, he says here that they don't and we better not walk in dishonesty or craftiness and not handling the word of God deceitfully.

You know, in Timothy, I believe it is, there's that verse that says rightly dividing the word of truth.

You know, those false apostles, those false teachers, they will take this word, this Bible, and they will twist it, and they will use it deceitfully.

You know, Satan likes nothing better than to teach the Bible. He likes to do that, and he twists it and he makes it into something else.

But here he says, if our gospel be hid, it is hid to who? To those that are lost. And why is this gospel hidden to them?

[ 22 : 09 ] It says the God of this world, he has blinded the minds of them which believe not. Remember, is it in Matthew 13 where Jesus said, hearing they cannot hear, they can't receive, they're dull of hearing, they can't hear the word.

You know, why is that? It's because if we have darkness in our heart, if we have darkness, if we're walking in darkness, then we can't, we can't hear this truth.

We're blinded to the truth. We can't hear it. Why? Because the God of this world, he's blinded our eyes, he's closed our ears.

The God of this world has blinded the minds of them which believe not. so our greatest protection against deception is to believe this word, to accept it as truth, to have truth bound about us and to walk in truth, to stand in truth and to believe this glorious gospel.

Hallelujah. Hallelujah. Let's go to, let's go to Samuel, 1st Samuel.

[ 23 : 59 ] I want to look at King Saul. You know, King Saul, when Samuel anointed him king, you know, he was a meek man.

He hid himself. He didn't want to be king. But God had told Samuel to anoint him and he did. And so he walked as the king of Israel.

But then Samuel told him in chapter 15, he says, you go, you go and you destroy Amalek.

You know, those people that when Israel was on their way out from Egypt, they were going through the wilderness and Amalek came and he attacked certain ones that were lagging behind and so on. Amalek came and he destroyed some of them and they fought them and so on.

[ 25 : 22 ] God had pledged, he promised, he said that he will destroy Amalek and so now he was sending Saul to destroy the Amalekites.

Saul was commanded to destroy everything, to keep nothing. You know the story, how he kept the king and they brought the best of the cattle and the sheep and so on.

And here, where do we want to start reading? In verse 10, the word of the Lord came to Samuel, it repenteth me that I have set up Saul to be king, for he is turned back from following me and hath not performed my commandments.

And he grieved Samuel and he cried unto the Lord all night. And I will just jump on over. Verse 17, and Samuel said, When thou wast little in thine own sight, was thou not made the head of the tribes of Israel?

And the Lord anointed thee king over Israel and the Lord sent thee on a journey and said, Go and utterly destroy the sinners, the Amalekites, and fight against them until they be consumed.

[ 26 : 54 ] Wherefore then didst thou not obey the voice of the Lord, but didst fly upon the spoil and didst evil in the sight of the Lord? And Saul said unto Samuel, Yea, I have obeyed the voice of the Lord, and I have gone the way which the Lord sent me, and have brought Agag the king of Amalek, and have utterly destroyed the Amalekites, but the people took of the spoil, sheep and oxen, the chief of the things which should have been utterly destroyed, to sacrifice unto the Lord thy God in Gilgal.

And Samuel said, Hath the Lord as great delight in burned offerings and sacrifices, as in obeying the voice of the Lord?

Behold, to obey is better than sacrifice, and a hearken than the fat of rams, for rebellion is as the sin of witchcraft, and stubbornness is as iniquity and idolatry, because thou has rejected the word of the Lord, he hath also rejected thee from being king.

Now let's just look at these last two verses. To obey is better than sacrifice, rebellion is as the sin of witchcraft, stubbornness is iniquity and idolatry.

You know, why, what, how can rebellion be as the sin of witchcraft? Let me tell you why. It is when we rebel against God Almighty, then we remove ourselves from under his authority, and we come under the authority of another.

[ 28 : 44 ] And when we come under the authority of another, we come under the authority of Satan, and under his power, the power of darkness, that is witchcraft.

When we operate under the power of darkness, of the enemy, it is witchcraft. and we'll be looking at some of these things.

We'll be looking at some more things here in the Old Testament, but rebellion, witchcraft, stubbornness, iniquity, and idolatry.

Stubbornness is idolatry. How is stubbornness idolatry? It is because when we disobey God, we are removing our worship from God and worshiping self and the devil.

And so it becomes idolatry. A self-serving life is an idolatrous life. when we live for self, it's idolatry. [ 29 : 56 ] It's idolatry. Anything that we worship besides God Almighty is idolatry. Anything that we bow to, anything, you know, let me just give you a quote here or tell you a story that I heard someone else say.

You know, this man said, well, the American people don't worship idols. They don't worship idols. The answer was, yes, they do.

How do you know they do? They sacrifice. Every person sacrifices to his God. What are we sacrificing to?

Are we sacrificing to our father in heaven? Are we keeping to ourselves? Are we sacrificing to the idol of self?

What are we living for? Thou has rejected the word of the Lord. He has also rejected thee.

[ 31 : 15 ] God said, he has to the Lord. He has to the Lord. He has to the strength of Israel.

He has to the strength of Israel. He has to the man that he should repent. You know, our God, he will not change his mind.

We won't get an email from heaven saying that things have changed. no, his word stands forever. It will stand forever.

It stands today just like it always has and it will stand forever. Deuteronomy chapter 18.

This chapter lays out the two sides very clearly. Deuteronomy 18.

[ 32 : 29 ] We'll start in verse 9. When thou art come into the land which the Lord thy God giveth thee, thou shalt not learn to do after the abominations of those nations.

There shall not be found among you anyone that maketh his son or his daughter to pass through the fire or that uses divination or an observer of times or an enchanter or a witch or a charmer or a consulter with familiar spirits or a wizard or a necromancer.

All that do these things are an abomination unto the Lord. And because of these abominations the Lord thy God doth drive them out from before thee.

Thou shalt be perfect with the Lord thy God. For these nations which thou shalt possess hearkened unto observers of times and unto diviners.

But as for thee the Lord thy God hath not suffered thee so to do. So what is he saying here? He's pointing out these things he's naming these things that the people of the land are doing.

[ 33 : 58 ] And what does it boil down to? It comes down to the fact that they were seeking for things for answers that humanly we don't know.

it takes supernatural knowledge to know some of these things. That's divination. Divination is to obtain information that would otherwise not be known to humans.

There's two places that you can get to know the answer to questions or whatever you need.

one is the Holy Spirit and the other is the devil. And if we are living our life under the authority of God Almighty full of the Holy Ghost he will show us everything we need to know.

but today many people will look for answers in other places. You know Saul later on in the life of Saul after this happened what we just read the Spirit of God left Saul and he lived his life he went on he had depression there was an evil spirit that came and tormented him and so on.

[ 35 : 39 ] But at the end of his life the Philistines had come and they were in camp there and they were ready to fight against Israel and Saul he cried to God he you know and there was no answer there was no prophet that could get an answer for him God did not answer him and what did he do he found a witch a necromancer and she got answers for him many people today I believe they're living a life that God cannot answer and so they turned to the occult they turned to the occult you know he mentions here you know how the people they made their children pass through the fire human sacrifice you know

America has sacrificed millions on the altar of Baal in abortion our land is a land full of Baal worship observers of times horoscope astrology the moon phases you know you know some people they live their life according to the to that according to the phases according to the horoscope and all those things it's witchcraft it's it's information from the powers of darkness goodness God told the children of Israel here thou shalt be perfect with the Lord thy God then let's read on verse 15 the Lord thy God will raise up unto thee a prophet from the midst of thee of thy brethren like unto me unto him ye shall hearken according to all that thou desirest of the Lord thy God in Horeb in the day

of the assembly saying let me not hear again the voice of the Lord my God neither let me see this great fire any more that I die not and the

Lord said unto me they have well spoken that which they have spoken I will raise them up a prophet from among their brethren like unto thee and will put my words in his mouth and he shall speak unto them all that I shall command him and it shall come to pass that whosoever will not hearken unto my words which he shall speak in my name I will require it of him you know this is a prophecy of our Lord Jesus it's confirmed a couple times in the New Testament the apostles referred back to these verses as as being prophecies of Christ coming and so today what we have here you know they were looking forward to Christ coming but we look back to the day that he came and now we live in this day of grace and we have the

Holy Ghost within us because Jesus was here and he left he went back to the Father but let's notice what he says here he warns a couple times here he says you this this one that is coming you must hearken to him you must listen to his words he says I will put my words in his mouth you know Jesus said many times I only do I only say what the Father gives me you know I only do what the Father is doing I only say what the Father is saying Jesus was this one and he says whosoever will not hearken unto the words of this prophet whoever will not hearken to the words of our Lord Jesus I will require it of him to hear he talks about the people in Canaan and he warns them about the powers of darkness that they do not follow after that and you know the story you know how Israel did they turned away from God and they followed after that but we still have this same choice today will we listen to the Lord Jesus will we stand in truth and walk with him in holiness and in humility or will we go our own way and follow after the things of darkness Jesus is the answer to our every need spirit soul and body you know today today we have witchcraft powers trying to meet the need of body soul and spirit yes and they openly they openly flaunt that they openly talk about it they openly make it available to you today you know there's much there's so much out there you know we're familiar with a lot of things we have been for years but there's always new coming along and I have a list here of a message that I preached

[ 42 : 22 ] I think in 2018 do we look to Christ for our help for our health for every need or do we look to the occult Satan has filled the world with astrology the horoscope water witching iridology homopathy yoga applied kinesiology reflexology acupuncture acupressure pow-wowing pain drawing essential oils aromatherapy pendulum swinging magnetic healing holistic new age stuff holistic healing you know and the list goes on the list goes on and and a lot of this a lot of these things have been in our background hopefully we're free from it today but a lot of these things that angel of light he will paint them up as something that is very wonderful and something that is very good and something that you need and something that will that will do you that will do you well but when you use it when you have it in your house just remember there's a price to pay nothing you get from the enemy is free there's a price to pay

I believe you know I I know it's a great controversy but I have documentation on everything I'm planning to say right now and I'm not sure what all I'll say but just let's pick out essential oils you know they were introduced to our country by Gary Young his company name is Young Living he traveled the world and especially Egypt to come up with his recipes and to find out how to duplicate what the ancient Egyptians did there's a book that he wrote himself he gives a lot of the things in there that he found and how he comes up with his recipes and the ritual to use them and all of that let me just tell you his products there's a price to pay if you use them there's a price to pay many essential oils

Young Living especially and there's others have supernatural powers they were created to be used with sorcery Gary Young has psychic powers and he also quotes scripture in the book that he wrote he quotes scripture he's trying to make it useful to the Christian world and Christians buy his products by the millions you know oils there's nothing wrong with oils but why in the last decades have those good oils suddenly become an essential oil you know my grandma she had oils she used oils but as far as I know they were not connected to the occult but Gary Young changed all that he connected the use of essential oils to the occult an essential so everything dem white he had is

Satan has brought such a flood of alternatives to trusting God today it's not popular anymore to trust God today it's not it's barely accepted if you want to trust God with your body, soul and spirit you know people want to become a Christian for a fire escape from hell but they don't want to trust this God that they trust to save their eternal destiny they don't want to trust him for their life they don't

want to trust him for this body that's going to perish anyway they don't want to trust the God in whose hand our breath is you know we want to do everything we can to live longer and to preserve this body and to preserve life when in the end our days are numbered and God is in control of it and he holds our very breath in his hands and I believe that he will preserve my life until he's done with me here on this earth and when he's done with me what do I want here anymore?

Revelation almost at the end of the book chapter 21 start in verse 6 and he said unto me it is done I am alpha and omega the beginning and the end I will give unto him that is a thirst of the fountain of the water of life freely he that overcometh shall inherit all things and I will be his God and he shall be my son but the fearful and unbelieving and the abominable and murderers and warmongers and sorcerers and idolaters and all liars shall have their part in the lake which burneth with fire and brimstone which is the second death now verse 27 and there shall in no wise talking about heaven talking about heaven now there shall in no wise enter into it anything that defileth neither whatsoever worketh abomination or maketh a lie but they which are written in the Lamb's book of life anything that defileth you know the things of the occult the things of the dark powers those things in your life in your home they will defile they will defile they will bring a demonic influence into your life and it will help to bring defeat in your life you know marks of the occult you know marks of things the occultic powers powers working is a blindness you know like we read in Corinthians the God of this world has blinded the minds of them which believe not you know if we allow things of the occult in our life it will bring a blindness it will bring it will bring a dullness to spiritual things it will bring a careless attitude many of those people they can hear the gospel but it they don't hear it just like Jesus said of those people having ears to hear they hear not they can't receive they can't hear they hear but they don't know they don't hear why because they belong to a different kingdom there is power to break that there is power for deliverance there is power to be set free but we must desire that power we must desire freedom we must be willing to renounce the powers of darkness if we will be set free from those things from those ties that bind

[ 52 : 24 ] Galatians 5 19 and 20 verse 18 says but if ye be led of the spirit ye are not under the law now the works of the flesh are manifest which are these adultery fornication uncleanness lasciviousness idolatry witchcraft hatred variance emulations wrath strife seditions heresies envying murders drunkenness revelings and such like he doesn't even name it all there's so much more that we can't even name he said and such like of the which

I tell you before as I've also told you in time past that they which do such things shall not inherit the kingdom of God you know if we allow the enemy to have a room in our heart if we allow the enemy to have his products in our home if we allow the enemy any room like Bert says we give no quarter but we defeat the enemy we defeat him Jesus defeated him at Calvary the victory is ours if we will but claim it if we are willing to pay the price if we will stand for truth having done all to stand stand therefore stand therefore yes you know in

Thessalonians 2nd Thessalonians chapter 2 yeah there's a day coming let's start reading in verse 8 and then shall that wicked be revealed whom the Lord shall consume with the spirit of his mouth and shall destroy with the brightness of his coming even him whose coming is after the working of Satan with all power and signs and lying wonders that's our enemy he is he's here with power and signs and lying wonders your enemy is a powerful enemy he's a powerful enemy and the ones that we are fighting against they are the rulers of the darkness of this world they are the chief principalities in the kingdom of hell that's who they are and they're fighting against us and they try to deceive us and they try to trick us and they try to draw us aside they try to get us to listen to him they try to get us to give in and a compromise verse 8 said the Lord will consume with the spirit of his mouth and he will destroy him someday hallelujah hallelujah but now let's let's look at verse 10 so we have

Satan with power and signs and lying wonders here on this earth deceiving multitudes and with all deceivableness of unrighteousness in them that perish he's talking about a people that have been deceived by our enemy and they will perish why will they perish because they receive not the love of the truth that they might be saved the love of the truth there we come back again to truth how important is truth it is of the utmost importance that we stand firm and faithful in truth the Holy Spirit is the spirit of truth Jesus is the way the truth and the life truth do you love the truth even when it hurts even when it tells you that you have to change do you love the truth or do you turn away from it he says here these people they did not love the truth that they might be saved they could have been saved if they would have loved the truth but they they did not they did not love the truth they

did not yield to the word of

God and because because of this God shall send them strong delusion that they should believe a lie that they all might be damned who believe not the truth but had pleasure in unrighteousness what an awesome verse the seriousness the seriousness of hearing and allowing the truth of the word of God to to to change us and are we ordering our life according to the truth of the word of God you know we think of

[ 58 : 57 ] Job how Satan came before God you know that that has been the battle all through time is the battle for humanity will humanity worship God or will they worship the devil you know Satan when he fell he said I will be exalted I will be among the stars I will be like the most high I will sit in the congregation you know Satan wants to be worship and people that are not hundred percent sold out to our

God full of the Holy Ghost are giving him worship giving him what he wants it's the battle of all time it's the battle of all time when we reach into witchcraft practices for healing or for information we are entering into a much higher level of evil that's a quote that I copied but what he's saying there is these things are a much it's on a higher level of evil than the sins of the flesh

I know witchcraft is mentioned we read it along with that ugly list of works of the flesh and it works out through our flesh but to be in witchcraft it goes to a new level it's a spiritual thing it's a spiritual thing and it goes to a new level wickedness in high places it is to be spiritual on the dark side it is to worship Satan oh might we might we see the importance of being full of the Holy Ghost being full of the

Holy Ghost you know you know Jesus said of the Holy Ghost and when he has come he will show you all things and in in first John in first John he says here let me see where is that in first John 2 27 but the anointing which ye have received of him abideth in you and ye need not that any man teach you but as the same anointing teaches you of all things and is truth and is no lie and even as it hath taught you ye shall abide in him you know if we walk humbly with our God full of the Holy Ghost he will teach us you know there's there's so much evil out there you know

Satan has so many new things so many new new ways of healing and and sorcery and witchcraft that he that he comes up with it seems like continually they're coming up with new things we don't have to know it all all we need is to be to be walking in truth full of the Holy Ghost and he will teach us you know when when when we're confronted with something that is of that kingdom the Holy Ghost will rise up within us and will give us a warning don't touch that thing leave it right where it's at that's not for you trust in me trust in me in James a very very important verse here chapter 4 start in verse 6 but he giveth more grace wherefore he saith

[ 64 : 47 ] God resists the proud but giveth grace unto the humble submit yourselves therefore to God resist the devil and he will flee from you draw nigh to God and he will draw nigh to you cleanse your hands ye sinners purify your hearts ye double-minded you know in the first chapter of James he talks about the double-minded man is unstable in all his ways you know we can't we can't have both we can't we can't have like Corinthians says we can't drink the cup of the Lord and the cup of devils we can't have both it's one or the other we can't have both that's double-minded and double-minded that's not of God that's confusion that's confusion but he says here that God resists the proud but he gives grace to the humble what this says is what it means he resists he works against the proud he

God stands against the proud heart why because pride is the very that's the very reason that Lucifer fell it's because he was lifted up with pride and so pride is directly from hell directly from hell he's also the father of lies that's why you know oh my there's such you just follow that and you will see why the end of that way is destruction but notice here he gives grace to the humble submit yourselves therefore to God because God resists the proud because he gives grace to the humble submit yourself to him submit yourself to

God you know if we walk in submission to our God he will strengthen us and he will help us and then we can resist the devil and he will flee from us why because we are under the authority and the power of God if we're not under his authority if we're not submitted to God we have no power over the enemy and he will defeat us he will defeat us again marks of the occult and the lives of people you know when there be an endless list but a few of the common ones is depression endless struggles just always struggling never coming to victory a conflict conflict in the home conflict in the church conflict continually confusion depression not knowing where they're going you know

God is not the author of confusion when confusion comes you know it's of the enemy you confusion says to be full of the Holy Ghost and it also says neither give place to the devil you know it's up to us will we stand in truth and in the power of our Lord or will we compromise let's pray for .

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