

Resurrection Life of Jesus Church

UNDERSTANDING THE SPIRIT WORLD

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Many Christians have a hard time understanding how very real the spirit world truly is and how our lives are affected in the physical world. The simple truth is that all human life is totally controlled from the spirit world, either by the Holy Spirit or by evil spirits. There are no independent human beings making their own decisions; rather, this is a deception from Satan upon the human race. Let's take a look at the events which led up to our present time:

- Lucifer rebelled against God before man was created. **Isaiah 14:12-20; Ezekiel 28:11-10**
- This rebellion led to a massive war that raged throughout the entire universe and affected every angel civilization. **Revelation 12:7-12**
- Satan and his fallen angels were sentenced to the Lake of Fire. **Matthew 25:41; Revelation 20:10**
- Currently Satan is out on appeal with access to a "courthouse" in the second heaven. **Job chapters one and two**
- The apostle John teaches that just because a spirit speaks to you and I, we should not accept it until we know what kind of spirit is speaking to us. **I John 4:1-5**

THE MAKEUP OF SATAN'S KINGDOM

There are different beings in the spirit world and in Satan's kingdom there are fallen angels, evil spirits (demons), and other creatures which the Bible has not identified. **Ephesians 6:10-13**

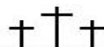
The Bible teaches us that there are territorial spirits (fallen angels, archons) as identified in **Daniel 10:1-21**. There is a chain of command that begins with Satan as the prince of this world (**John 14:30**), then rulers over the continents, nations, provinces, counties, cities, etc. In the areas on this earth which are not inhabited by people, there seems to be no demonic activities. **II Kings 17:23-33**

Evil spirits (demons) are used by Satan to indwell people:

- I Kings 22:18-27**
- I Samuel 16:14-23**
- Matthew 17:14-21**

Jesus spoke about the strong man (**Matthew 12:22-29**), and the woman being bound (**Luke 13:10-17**).

Evil spirits are informed about humans. **Acts 19:13-20**



There are miracle working evil spirits who have the power to entice people to do their bidding. **Revelation 16:12-14**

Evil spirits will teach false doctrine. **I Timothy 4:1-3; I John 4:6**

OUR DEFENSE:

- Walk in the light. **I John 1:5-10**
- Use God's spiritual weapons. **II Corinthians 10:3-6**

DO YOU REALLY HAVE AN EAR WITH WHICH TO HEAR?