

Lecture No. 48

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. **Error: No Holy Ghost (or Spirit)** .

No. 1.) We are living in the time when not enduring sound doctrine has come in a big way; the people have heaped to themselves teachers, having itching ears; and they have turned away their ears from the truth, and have turned unto fables. 2 Timothy 4:3-4 We are going to look at this fable, this false doctrine, that is so destructive of the true Advent faith; see what it is made of, why it is destructive, and how to counter it with truth.

No. 2.) There are two terms that seem to be indicating the same thing, which are, the Holy Spirit and the Holy Ghost. Using only the 1858 Great Controversy, as an example, portion of the authentic Spirit of Prophecy, the name Holy Spirit is used twenty-one times, while the name Holy Ghost is used only twice. Looking at the KJV Bible, the name Holy Spirit is used three times in the Old Testament, and four times in the New Testament; while the name Holy Ghost is not used at all in the Old Testament, but the New Testament uses that name, ninety times.

Those who teach the false claim that there is no Holy Spirit or Holy Ghost, assert that both terms actually mean “the spirit of God or of

Christ;” yet they have no true scripture or authentic Spirit of Prophecy to support their assertions.

As presented above, both the 1858 Great Controversy and the KJV Bible freely use both names, without ever saying, or, exactly defining what this spirit is. Further, in Revelation, we are told there are seven Spirits, not once, not twice, but four times we are told that. (1:4; 3:1; 4:5; 5:6) **Maybe God is trying to make a point.**

When I asked a believer in this false doctrine, I was told that seven was a perfect number, which meant one, therefore the term seven spirits meant only one. Funny thing,... seven days does not make one.

I watched a video of one of the teachers of this false doctrine as he carefully worked to make his point, that 1 John 5:7&8 did not belong to the Bible. The big elephant in the room this teacher assiduously avoided is that he teaches the SDA church is in apostasy, yet, he uses two pieces of material knowingly sourced from that, admittedly, apostate church, to support his assertion; he then proceeds to use a source from, no less than a Catholic source! yet, with nothing from any real truth sources.

Notice how Satan’s agents use sources from Satan’s bag-o-tricks to support their false assertions. This one fact alone should be enough to sound the alarm, wave the red flag, be the only warning needed for true Advent believers. This is Satan’s hand exposed.

Another verse the teachers want to destroy is the great commission, found in Matthew 28:19; and so they try.

No. 3.) Here is a key, key point in all this; Satan is so often successful at getting humans to attempt to pry into things God has seen fit not to make known. This was a foundation principle to the deception practiced upon Eve in the garden; and we have a wonderful explanation of it from the Spirit of Prophecy, Vol.1, page 34, 37, 42.

No. 4.) “This has been his special work with great success ever since the fall, to lead men to pry into the secrets of the Almighty, and not to be satisfied with [what God has revealed](#), and not careful to [obey that which he has commanded](#). He would lead them to disobey God’s commands, and then make them believe that they are entering a wonderful field of knowledge. This is purely supposition, and a miserable deception.”

[“They fail to understand what God has revealed, and disregard his explicit commandments, and aspire after wisdom, independent of God, and seek to understand that which he has been pleased to withhold from mortals.”](#)

[“Satan exulted in his success. He had now tempted the woman to distrust God, to question his wisdom, and to seek to penetrate his all-wise plans.”](#)

No. 5.) A pastor once told me that the use of the word Ghost in the New Testament was “unfortunate.” Isn’t it interesting how poor lowly man takes it upon himself to attempt to correct God. One can only assume, by their actions, that these pastors really do not believe God is the author of the Bible; and so they teach.

No. 6.) So what is the destructive part of this false doctrine?

A.) Doubt is sown in the minds of the listeners as to just how authentic the KJV Bible really is.

B.) It teaches the listeners that they must get the truth about the Bible from those who teach this false doctrine.

C.) It is a claim that God did not, and can not, protect his truth for his church, so they can make it to Heaven.

D.) It is an attempt to prove that the Spirit of Prophecy can not be trusted.

No. 7.) What have we learned? That listening to Satan, even through his agents, is dangerous business. That God and his Son, Jesus Christ, is our only source of truth; witness this from Ephesians 4:11-14 “And he gave some, apostles; and some, prophets; and some, evangelists; and some, pastors and teachers; (12) For the perfecting of the saints, for the

work of the ministry, for the edifying of the body of Christ: (13) Till we all come in the unity of the faith, and of the knowledge of the Son of God, unto a perfect man, unto the measure of the stature of the fulness of Christ: (14) **That we henceforth be no more children, tossed to and fro, and carried about with every wind of doctrine, by the sleight of men, and cunning craftiness, whereby they lie in wait to deceive;**

You want security? well right here it is! Trust in God!
(2 Chronicles 20:20) *Believe in the LORD your God, so shall ye be established; believe his prophets, so shall ye prosper.*

There is only security under his wing, doing his will, keeping our mind staid on him.

And that is...

~ The End ~

of our Presentation for Today,

God Bless your Study

