

THE REALITY OF THE SPIRITUAL WORLD

SPIRITUAL PLACES

2 Corinthians 12:2 I know a man in Christ who fourteen years ago (whether in the body or out of the body I do not know, God knows) was caught up to **the third heaven**.

1 Kings 22:19 I saw the Lord sitting on his throne, with all **the heavenly assembly** standing beside him on his right and on his left.

Ephesians 1:3 NKJV Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us with every spiritual blessing in **the heavenly places** in Christ,

Ephesians 1:20 seated Him at His right hand in **the heavenly places**,

Ephesians 2:6 NIV . . And God raised us up with Christ and seated us with him **in the heavenly realms** in Christ Jesus,

SPIRITUAL BEINGS

Psalm 89:5-8 NET 5 O Lord, the heavens praise your amazing deeds, as well as your faithfulness **in the angelic assembly**. 6 For who in the skies can compare to the Lord? Who is like the Lord **among the heavenly beings**, 7 a God who is honored in the **great angelic assembly**, and more awesome than all who surround him? 8 O Lord God of Heaven's Armies! Who is strong like you, O Lord? Your faithfulness surrounds you.

Matthew 25:41 “Then he will say to those on his left, ‘Depart from me, you who are cursed, into the eternal fire **prepared for the devil and his angels.**’

Ephesians 6:12 For our struggle is not against flesh and blood, but against **the rulers**, against **the authorities**, against **the powers of this dark world** and against **the spiritual forces of evil** in the heavenly realms.

1 Peter 5:8 **Be alert** and **of sober mind**. Your enemy the devil prowls around like a roaring lion looking for someone to devour. 9 **Resist him**, standing firm in the faith, because you know that the family of believers throughout the world is undergoing the same kind of sufferings.

James 4:7 **Submit yourselves**, then, **to God**. **Resist the devil**,
and he will flee from you.

SPIRITUAL WARFARE WITH SPIRITUAL WEAPONS

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2 Corinthians 10:3 For though we live in the world, we do not wage war as the world does. 4 The weapons we fight with are not the weapons of the world. On the contrary, they have **divine power to demolish strongholds**. 5 We demolish arguments and every pretension that sets itself up against the knowledge of God, and **we take captive every thought** to make it obedient to Christ.

Colossians 4:12 Epaphras, who is one of you and a servant of Christ Jesus, sends greetings. He is always **wrestling in prayer for you**, that you may stand firm in all the will of God, mature and fully assured.

A HOLY PRIESTHOOD,
A SPIRITUAL HOUSE,
WITH SPIRITUAL SACRIFICES

1 Peter 2:4 As you come to him, the living Stone—rejected by humans but chosen by God and precious to him— 5 you also, like living stones, are being built into **a spiritual house** to be **a holy priesthood**, offering **spiritual sacrifices** acceptable to God through Jesus Christ.

GOD IS SPIRIT

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Colossians 1:16 For in him all things were created: things in heaven and on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or powers or rulers or authorities; all things have been created through him and for him.

Colossians 1:17 He is before all things, and in him all things hold together.

Ephesians 1:20 . . . he exerted when he raised Christ from the dead and **seated him** at his right hand in the heavenly realms, 21 **far above all rule and authority, power and dominion**, and every name that is invoked, not only in the present age but also in the one to come. 22 And God placed all things under his feet and appointed him to be head over everything for the church,

GOD MADE YOU
A SPIRITUAL BEING

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1 Corinthians 15:45 So it is written: “The first man Adam became a living being”; the last Adam, a life-giving spirit.

1 Thessalonians 5:23 May God himself, the God of peace, sanctify you through and through. May your whole **spirit**, **soul** and **body** be kept blameless at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ.

1.SENSES

Isaiah 6:1 In the year that King Uzziah died, I **saw** the Lord, high and exalted, seated on a throne; and the train of his robe filled the temple. . . . 4 **At the sound** of their voices the doorposts and thresholds shook and the temple was filled with smoke. . . . 6 Then one of the seraphim flew to me with a live coal in his hand, which he had taken with tongs from the altar. 7 With it **he touched my mouth** and said, . . . 8 Then **I heard the voice** of the Lord saying, “Whom shall I send? And who will go for us?”

Psalm 34:8 **Taste** and **see** that the Lord is good; blessed is the one who takes refuge in him.

John 7:37 On the last and greatest day of the festival, Jesus stood and said in a loud voice, “Let anyone who is thirsty come to me and **drink**

2. RELATE

1 Corinthians 6:17 But whoever is united with the Lord is **one with him in spirit.**

2 Corinthians 13:13 The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and **the fellowship of the Holy Spirit** be with you all.

Philippians 2:1 NKJV Therefore if there is any consolation in Christ,
if any comfort of love, **if any fellowship of the Spirit**, if any
affection and mercy,

Revelation 3:20 NET **Listen!** I am standing at the door and
knocking! If anyone hears my voice and opens the door I will come
into his home and **share a meal with him**, and he with me.

3. RECEIVE

1 Corinthians 2:9 However, as it is written: “What no eye has seen, what no ear has heard, and what no human mind has conceived” the things God has prepared for those who love him—
10 these are the things God has revealed to us by his Spirit. The Spirit searches all things, even the deep things of God.

Philippians 4:6 NKJV 6 Be anxious for nothing, but in everything by prayer and supplication, with thanksgiving, let your requests be made known to God; 7 and the peace of God, **which surpasses all understanding**, will guard your hearts and minds through Christ Jesus.

Ephesians 3:17 . . . And I pray that you, being rooted and established in love, 18 may have power, together with all the Lord's holy people, to grasp how wide and long and high and deep is the love of Christ, 19 and **to know** (γινωνα τε) [experiential knowledge] this love **that surpasses knowledge** (την υπερβαλλουσαν της γνωσεως)—that you may be filled to the measure of all the fullness of God.

4. RECOGNIZE

1 Corinthians 12:7NKJV But the manifestation of the Spirit is given to each one for the profit of all: 8 for to one is given the word of wisdom through the Spirit, to another the word of knowledge through the same Spirit, 9 to another faith by the same Spirit, to another gifts of healings by the same Spirit, 10 to another the working of miracles, to another prophecy, to another **discerning of spirits**, to another different kinds of tongues, to another the interpretation of tongues. 11 But one and the same Spirit works all these things, distributing to each one individually as He wills.

5. PERCEIVE

Mark 2:8 Immediately Jesus knew in his spirit that **this was what they were thinking** in their hearts, and he said to them, “Why are you thinking these things?”

Luke 6:8 But Jesus **knew what they were thinking** and said to the man with the shriveled hand, “Get up and stand in front of everyone.” So he got up and stood there.

1 Chronicles 12:32 from Issachar, **men**
who understood the times and knew what Israel should do—
200 chiefs, with all their relatives under their command;

Luke 19:3 He wanted to see who Jesus was, but because he was short he could not see over the crowd. 4 So he ran ahead and climbed a sycamore-fig tree to see him, since Jesus was coming that way. 5 When Jesus reached the spot, he looked up and said to him, “Zacchaeus, come down immediately. I must stay at your house today.”

6. RULE

Psalm 51:12 Restore to me the joy of your salvation and grant me a willing spirit, to sustain me.

Proverbs 14:30 NET A tranquil spirit revives the body, but envy is rottenness to the bones.

Proverbs 16:32 NKJV He who is slow to anger is better than the mighty, And he who rules his spirit than he who takes a city.

Proverbs 17:22 A cheerful heart is good medicine, but a crushed spirit dries up the bones.

Proverbs 18:14 NKJV The spirit of a man will sustain him in sickness, But who can bear a broken spirit?