

Hatred Complex: Demonism: Mental Attitude Sins, Jas 4:1-8, Occult, Deut 18:10-11, Religion, 1 Jn 4:1-3, Mt 22:29, 2 Tim 2:25-26, 2 Pet 2:1-3, Idolatry, 1 Cor 10:19

Demonism: Demons *cannot possess* believers but they *are able to influence* any believer who gives *mental assent* to the propaganda contained in the doctrines of demons:

1) Mental attitude sins:

James 4:1 - What is the cause of strife among you? And what is the source of quarrels among you? Are they not caused by the source of your own lust pattern that wars in your members?

v. 2 - You continue to lust and do not have; you murder and you are jealous, consequently you are not able to attain; instead you quarrel and fight. You do not have because you do not ask.

v. 3 - You ask and do not receive because you ask for yourselves with wrong motivations that you may squander it on your lust pattern.

v. 4 - You adulteresses, do you not know that friendship with the cosmic system is alienation from God? [**The cosmic thought process gives precedence to the lust pattern; the spiritual thought process gives top priority to doctrine.**] Therefore, whoever has decided to be a lover of the cosmic system appoints himself the enemy of God.

v. 5 - Or do you presume that the Scripture says to no purpose, with regard to jealousy [φθόνος, *phthonos*: **not “envy”**] (The Holy Spirit Who dwells permanently [κατοικέω, *katoikeō*: culminative aorist: existing results plus the indicative mood: certain, fixed, durable] in us deeply loves [ἐπιποθέω, *epipotheō*: intensive form of love—**not “lust”**].

v. 6 - Moreover, He gives greater grace [μέγας χάρις, *me-gas charis*] on which account He says: [Proverbs 3:34] “God opposes the arrogant [reversionist], but gives grace to the humble [the positive believer].”

v. 7 - Therefore, submit yourselves to God [offensive application of doctrine to life] but stand fast against the devil [defensive posture against demonism and cosmic thinking] and he [the demon surrogate] will retreat from you.

v. 8 - Come near to God [rebound followed by utilization of the divine operating assets associated with the four spiritual mechanics] and He will come near to you [fellowship throughout the advance through the sophisticated spiritual life]. [Isaiah 1:16] “Wash your hands, you sinners, a purify your kardias [rebound]” you double-souled [διψυχος, *dipsuchos*: δίς, *dis*: two, plus ψυχή, *psuchē*: soul, therefore “double-souled”: to suffer from divided loyalties: (1) a desire for the presence of God in one’s life but (2) to also love the ways of the world and prefer to live according to its mores and ethics, i.e., reversionism (Zodhiates, *The Complete Word Study Dictionary*, 473-74)].

2) The occult:

Deuteronomy 18:10 - Let no one around you be found who sacrifices his son or daughter in the fire [child sacrifice], who practices divination [allegedly predicting the future through observation of the stars or interpretation of dreams or visions], or a soothsayer [one who conjures spirits], or an enchanter [augurer: an observer of omens], or a witch [a female who is demon possessed; a sorceress],

v. 11 - or a charmer [the mutterings of ventriloquist demons producing hypnotic trances], a consulter of familiar spirits [as per New Age “channeling” in which ventriloquist demons temporarily indwell a person in order to win credibility from the benighted], or a wizard [a male who is demon possessed; a sorcerer], or a necromancer [one who communicates with the dead].

- 3) Religion in one of three categories: (a) Apostate: a knowing and deliberate rejection of revealed truth regarding the deity of Christ and redemption through the work of Christ.

1 John 4:1 - Stop believing every eloquent speaker but keep analyzing [δοκιμάζω, *dokimazō*: an assayer’s term to determine purity of content] those influential speakers whether he is from God, because many false teachers have gone out to evangelize for the cosmic system.

v. 2 - By this learn to recognize [γινώσκω, *ginōskō*: to come to know; to gain knowledge, therefore “learn to identify”] that person who is from God: every honorable minister who teaches that Jesus has come in the flesh is from God.

v. 3 - In fact, every persuasive speaker who does not teach this Jesus is not from God. Furthermore, this false teaching is the persuasive influence of the antichrist, about whom you have heard that he is coming and now his influence is already in the world in the form of a cosmic thought process.

(b) Erroneous: the result of ignorance of doctrine. Many claim to be Christian but have absolutely no knowledge of the plan of God as delineated in Scripture. Their lives are filled with error. They may be very sincere people but they are wrong.

Matthew 22:29 - Jesus replied [to the Sadducees], “You are in error because you do not know the Scriptures or the power of God.”

(c) Heretical: the result of falling into the snare of Satan by believing as truth the doctrines of demons. Those who are involved in heresy deliberately deny revealed truth in favor of error. Some heretics may honestly believe they are properly worshipping and serving God but they are mistaken.

2 Timothy 2:25 - The pastor must patiently instruct those who oppose his teachings in the hope that God will grant them repentance [change of mental attitude toward truth] leading them to a full knowledge of the truth.

v. 26 - And that they will come to their senses and escape from the trap of the devil, who has taken them captive to do his will.

2 Peter 2:1 - There were also false prophets among the people, just as there will be false teachers among you. They will secretly introduce destructive heresies, even denying the sovereign Lord Who bought them, and bringing swift destruction on themselves.

v. 2 - Many will follow their shameful ways, and will bring the way of truth into disrepute.

v. 3a - In their greed these teachers will exploit you with stories they have made up.

- 4) Idolatry: demons are always allowed to gather in the vicinity of idols.

1 Corinthians 10:19 - Do I mean that a sacrifice offered to an idol is anything or that an idol is anything? No! The sacrifices of pagans are offered to demons.

Idolatry is forbidden for a reason. It is a signal to disembodied spirits and to demons in general that you are negative to the plan of God and desirous of a relationship with *cosmos diabolicus*.