

16. Once the thought process turns to the doctrines of demons, then God allows that person the option of pursuing his own volitional desires.
17. At this juncture, demons are granted permission to make contact through demon possession or demon influence.
18. Now ensconced in the cosmic systems, the individual begins to accumulate the doctrines of demons into his soul.

1 Timothy 4:1 - But the Spirit explicitly says that in later times some will fall away from the faith, paying attention to deceitful spirits and doctrines of demons,

v. 2 - by means of the hypocrisy of liars seared in their own conscience as with a branding iron,

v. 3 - men who forbid marriage and advocate abstaining from foods which God has created to be gratefully shared in by those who believe and know the truth.

19. Cosmic 1 is the arrogant preoccupation with self in contrast to God and His Word.
20. Cosmic 2 is the antagonistic opposition toward truth in rejection of divine viewpoint.
21. Cosmic 1 is internal and emphasizes self while Cosmic 2 is external and emphasizes human viewpoint.
22. We should be alert to those things which condition the soul of the individual to accept demon influence and for the unbeliever, makes him susceptible to demon possession.
23. A synopsis of the Cosmic Systems is important to review here before we resume our passage in Acts 2.
24. The underlying problem in the categories that are functional in Cosmic 1 is arrogance which affects every part of the soul while demon influence eventually alters the person's personality.

25. The Arrogance Complex of Cosmic 1 may be summarized by involvement in the following categories of self-centeredness:

1. **Attitude.** Mental-attitude sins motivate the functional categories of Cosmic 1. This category of sin begins the decline of spiritual momentum.

Proverbs 23:7a - For as he thinks within himself, so he is.

2. **Negative Volition.** Passive study of the Bible with no intent of applying its doctrines. By ignoring the power of biblical truth, the believer is vulnerable to the strategies of the Dark Side.

Matthew 22:29 - But Jesus answered and said to them [**Sadducees**], “You are mistaken, not understanding the Scriptures nor the power of God.”

3. **Authority Arrogance.** Rejection of duly appointed authority or abuse of power when in positions of authority. This is illustrated by David’s sin of raping Bathsheba which eventuated in the murder of General Uriah. The prophet Nathan indicts David for his crimes related to authority arrogance. See 2 Samuel 12:1-12.

4. **Self-Righteous Arrogance.** The conversion of moral standards into a system for salvation or divine blessings. This involves the categories of human viewpoint, human good, and evil each of which is promoted by Lucifer and his minions.

2 Corinthians 11:13 - Such men are false apostles, deceitful workers, disguising themselves as apostles of Christ.

v. 14 - No wonder, for even Satan disguises himself as an angel of light.

v. 15 - Therefore it is not surprising if his servants also disguise themselves as servants of righteousness, whose end will be according to their deeds.