



HOW TO TEST THE SPIRITS



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Let's dive into the questions we need to be asking about a person to determine whether or not they're truly from God, and have the Spirit of God in them. There are quite a few questions on how to test the spirits or prophets.

1. Does the prophet use fortune telling?

Divination was forbidden by God ([Deuteronomy 18:9-14](#)) No true teacher or prophet would use fortune-telling tarot cards, or have any dealing with dead spirits. ([Jeremiah 14:14](#), [Ezekiel 12:24](#), [Micah 3:7](#))

2. Have the prophets short-term prophecies been fulfilled?

[Deuteronomy 18:22](#) used this as a test. Do predictions come to pass? The following point is an excellent way on how to test test false prophets.

3. Is the prophet marked by a desire to say only what pleases the people?

Many false prophets told people what they wanted to hear. A true prophet serves God, not people. ([Jeremiah 8:11](#), [14:13](#), [23:17](#), [Ezekiel 13:10](#), [Micah 3:5](#)).

4. Does the prophet draw people away from God?

Many teachers draw people to themselves or to the system or organization they have built ([Deuteronomy 13:1-3](#)).

5. Does the prophet's prophecy confirm the Bible's main teaching?

If a prophecy is inconsistent or contradictory to Scripture, it is not to be believed.

How to test false prophets becomes clearer as you put these principles and questions into practice.

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6. What is the prophet’s moral character?

False prophets were charged with lying ([Jeremiah 8:10, 14:14](#)), drunkenness ([Isaiah 28:7](#)), and immorality ([Jeremiah 23:14](#)).

7. Do other Spirit-led people discern authenticity in this prophet?

Discernment by others who are led of the Spirit is a key test ([1 Kings 22:7](#)). The New Testament used this a great deal ([John 10:4-15](#), [1 Corinthians 2:14, 14:29, 14:32](#), [1 John 4:1](#))