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Jeremiah 17:9 (NASB)

9 "The heart is more deceitful than all else And is desperately sick; Who can understand it?

4 different kinds of deception

1. Dishonesty and lack of integrity
2. False prophets in the church whom deliberately try to deceive his or her followers
3. False prophets who do not realize they are deceived
4. TRUE BELIEVER who is sincere, but becomes deceived

Source of Deception

James 3:13-18

James 3:13-18 (NASB)

13 Who among you is wise and understanding? Let him show by his good behavior his deeds in the gentleness of wisdom.

James 3:14-18 (NASB)

14 But if you have bitter jealousy and selfish ambition in your heart, do not be arrogant and so lie against the truth.

James 3:15-18 (NASB)

15 This wisdom is not that which comes down from above, but is earthly, natural, demonic.

James 3:16-18 (NASB)

16 For where jealousy and selfish ambition exist, there is disorder and every evil thing.

James 3:17-18 (NASB)

17 But the wisdom from above is first pure, then peaceable, gentle, reasonable, full of mercy and good fruits, unwavering, without hypocrisy.

James 3:18 (NASB)

18 And the seed whose fruit is righteousness is sown in peace by those who make peace.

Signs that you may be in deception

1. Separation from the Godly
- Proverbs 18:1
Galatians 2:12
Peter Aloof

Proverbs 18:1 (HCSB)

1 One who isolates himself pursues [selfish] desires; he rebels against all sound judgment.

Galatians 2:12 (NASB)

12 For prior to the coming of certain men from James, he used to eat with the Gentiles; but when they came, he began to withdraw and hold himself aloof, fearing the party of the circumcision.

Conversation or contention?

James 3:18
Matthew 18:6

James 3:18 (NASB)

18 And the seed whose fruit is righteousness is sown in peace by those who make peace.

Matthew 18:6 (NASB)

6 but whoever causes one of these little ones who believe in Me to stumble, it would be better for him to have a heavy millstone hung around his neck, and to be drowned in the depth of the sea.

Questioning of spiritual authority

- 2 Peter 2:10
- 3 John 9 and 10

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2 Peter 2:10 (NASB)

10 and especially those who indulge the flesh in its corrupt desires and despise authority. Daring, self-willed, they do not tremble when they revile angelic majesties,

Sense of special insight

revelation that makes you question or avoid trusted associates

Galatians 2:1-2

Galatians 2:1 (NASB)

1 Then after an interval of fourteen years I went up again to Jerusalem with Barnabas, taking Titus along also.

Galatians 2:2 (NASB)

2 It was because of a revelation that I went up; and I submitted to them the gospel which I preach among the Gentiles, but I did so in private to those who were of reputation, for fear that I might be running, or had run, in vain.

Lack of confirmation from Godly Sources

Galatians 2:7-10

Galatians 2:7 (NASB)

7 But on the contrary, seeing that I had been entrusted with the gospel to the uncircumcised, just as Peter had been to the circumcised

Galatians 2:8 (NASB)

8 (for He who effectually worked for Peter in his apostleship to the circumcised effectually worked for me also to the Gentiles),

Galatians 2:9 (NASB)

9 and recognizing the grace that had been given to me, James and Cephas and John, who were reputed to be pillars, gave to me and Barnabas the right hand of fellowship, so that we might go to the Gentiles and they to the circumcised.

Galatians 2:10 (NASB)

10 They only asked us to remember the poor--the very thing I also was eager to do.

Secrecy

A true word from God is not afraid of the light or being examined

John 3:19-21

John 3:19 (NASB)

19 "This is the judgment, that the Light has come into the world, and men loved the darkness rather than the Light, for their deeds were evil.

John 3:20 (NASB)

20 "For everyone who does evil hates the Light, and does not come to the Light for fear that his deeds will be exposed.

John 3:21 (NASB)

21 "But he who practices the truth comes to the Light, so that his deeds may be manifested as having been wrought in God."

Lack of peace

always stressed

Philippians 4:6-7

Philippians 4:6 (NASB)

6 Be anxious for nothing, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God.

Philippians 4:7 (NASB)

7 And the peace of God, which surpasses all comprehension, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

Inability to put it on the shelf

2 Timothy 2:24

Titus 3:10

2 Timothy 2:24 (NASB)

24 The Lord's bond-servant must not be quarrelsome, but be kind to all, able to teach, patient when wronged,

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Titus 3:10 (NASB)

10 Reject a factious man after a first and second warning,

No one else is getting this "word"

2 Corinthians 13:1

1 Corinthians 14:29

2 Corinthians 13:1 (NASB)

1 This is the third time I am coming to you. EVERY FACT IS TO BE CONFIRMED BY THE TESTIMONY OF TWO OR THREE WITNESSES.

1 Corinthians 14:29 (NASB)

29 Let two or three prophets speak, and let the others pass judgment.

Uncomfortable with or unwilling to allow God time to bring it to pass

1 Corinthians 3:6

Isaiah 55:10-11

Habbakuk 2:1-3

Savior or prophet complex

1 Kings 19:1

1 Timothy 1:6-7

Unwillingness to accept constructive criticism

Proverbs 19:20-21

Can this word or even I be tested?

1 Thessalonians 5:21

Swallows up your joy

2 Corinthians 3:17

Psalms 16:11

2 Corinthians 11:3

2 Peter 2:17

Those you once trusted and had fellowship with become the enemy

John 13:35

Hebrews 12:15

Does "your" word contradict God's Word?

Matthew 5:17-19

Hebrews 4:12

Your interpretation of perception

Do you have the finished package

Proverbs 15:22

Proverbs 11:14

Beware of Satan's paint jobs!

Is it possible that both sides are correct from their point of view?

Acts 15 consensus?

Jesus never abandoned those less spiritual than Him.

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John 13:3-17

John 17:12

Looking for ammunition

We don't argue on theological merits but go personal or dirty?

Psalms 41:5-9

Are you here to stay, marriage or passing fancy

Proverbs 18:24

Understanding the Anointing of the Holy Spirit

Daniel 10:7-9

Revelation 5:4-5

Two final points

Critical and foundational affecting eternity, or should and ought.

Final thought

We are all vulnerable and must restore.

Hebrew 12:12-15

2 Timothy 2:24-26

Galatians 3:1-2

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Galatians 3:1-4

Corinthians 2:8-11

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