

1 JOHN 4:1-3, NOTES PAGE

Matthew 7, from the message... *“Be wary of false preachers who smile a lot, dripping with practiced sincerity. Chances are they are out to rip you off some way or other. Don't be impressed with charisma; look for character*

1 John 4:1-6 (NASB)

1 Beloved, do not believe every spirit, but test the spirits to see whether they are from God, because many false prophets have gone out into the world. 2 By this you know the Spirit of God: every spirit that confesses that Jesus Christ has come in the flesh is from God; 3 and every spirit that does not confess Jesus is not from God; this is the spirit of the antichrist, of which you have heard that it is coming, and now it is already in the world.

Beloved, do not believe every spirit... _____

That they confess that Jesus came in a human body... _____

B - ... but test the spirits to see whether they are from God, because many false prophets have gone out into the world.

Testing God would be to place a demand on God, in order to make Him to prove himself to you...

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Anti Christ simply means _____ or _____

- Verbally: _____

- Physically: _____

1 - What are you doing each day, week, month, to maintain your own personal connection with the Lordship of Christ in your life?

2 - Is it enough, or do you know you need more?

3 - If you need more, what is in your life that needs to go, or be changed in order to make space? Maybe you simply cannot remove anything right now, maybe your life is at a place where you just can't do anything. This is a reality in life, and it should not be ignored, or taken lightly. If this is you, you are not a failure, you are not broken, you are not disappointment to God. But, you have a decision to make; are you going to allow things to stay this way, or will you take a long view of your life and begin to make small changes now that will allow you to get to where yo want to be? The reality is that sometimes we need to "man our post" even when we don't like it because we know that if we are faithful in the difficult times God will also be faithful. I cannot promise that better days are ahead, but I can promise the if we do nothing but complain about where we are we will never get any where els.