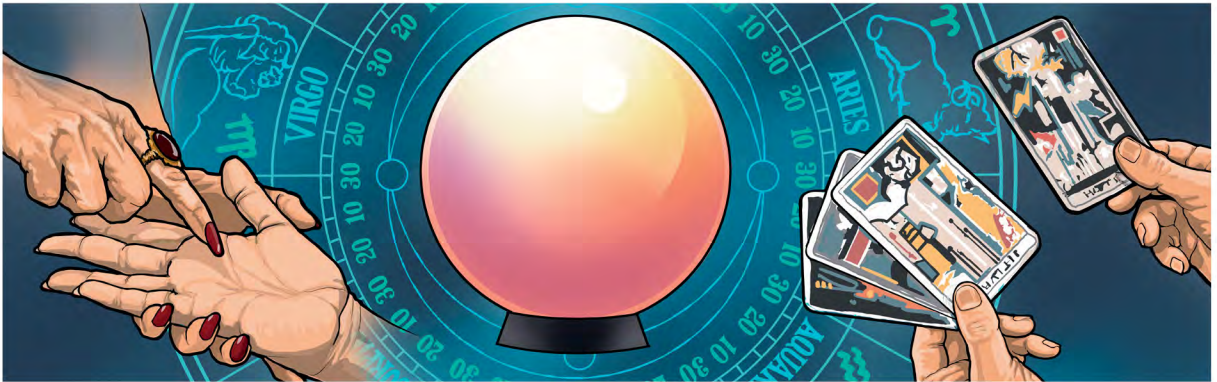


Spirit Creatures—How They Affect Us (Part 2)

Based on chapter 10 of the book *What Does the Bible Really Teach?* available on jw.org.

OBJECTIVE: Explore what you believe and why, examine what the Bible teaches, and see how you can explain your beliefs to others.



IS THERE ANYTHING WRONG WITH SPIRITISM?

1 EXPLORE YOUR BELIEFS

Why might some people say no?

Why might some say yes?

What do *you* believe?

Why do you believe that?

God's Word forbids spiritism, which the demons use to mislead people.

(See chapter 10 of the *Bible Teach* book, paragraphs 9-13.)

Read Deuteronomy 18:10, 11 and Galatians 5:19-21.

How do these verses indicate Jehovah's view of spiritism?

Read Revelation 12:12, 17.

Why are Satan and his demons intent on misleading people?



You wouldn't knowingly let a criminal into your home, so why invite the demons into your life?

Jehovah will help us to resist wicked spirit creatures.

(See chapter 10 of the *Bible Teach* book, paragraphs 14-19.)

Read Acts 19:19.

According to this inspired account, how did the first-century Christians in Ephesus set a good example in resisting spiritism?

Read Proverbs 18:10; Ephesians 6:16; and James 4:7, 8.

What provisions from Jehovah enable us to resist Satan and his demons?

Why do you appreciate knowing that Jehovah is more powerful than the demons and that he wants to help us?

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EXPLAIN YOUR BELIEFS

IF SOMEONE SAYS...

There's nothing wrong with fortune-telling; it's just harmless fun.

YOU MIGHT REPLY...

Many people would probably agree. But I believe differently because...

What scripture could you share with the person?

Bearing in mind the person's viewpoint, how would you reason on that scripture?

IF SOMEONE SAYS...

Demons are very powerful, so there's nothing we can do to resist them.

YOU MIGHT REPLY...

It's true that demons are very powerful. But I believe that we *can* resist them because...

What scripture could you share with the person?

Bearing in mind the person's viewpoint, how would you reason on that scripture?
