

SERMON STUDY QUESTIONS

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1. **What does John mean by testing the spirits?**
2. **Why is it necessary for believers to test the spirits?**
3. **How does John tell his readers how they can know the difference between the spirit of truth and the spirit of error? What does this tell us about the importance of orthodox doctrine?**
4. **What does John tell us about the importance of creedal statements?**
5. **What is significant about the phrase “the truth that is in accord with godliness”?**
6. **How does the story of Mr. Talkative relate to those whom profess the truth but deny it in other ways?**
7. **How have believers overcome the world and why ought we not to fear antichrists?**
8. **How does our belief in the truth help to assure us of our salvation?**
9. **What are some of the ways we can prevent our being deceived by false doctrine?**