REVELATION: Lesson 155 Chapter 18:2, Habitation of Devils or Habitation of God

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Rev 18:2 Babylon the Great is said to become the habitation of devils, foul spirits, and unclean and hateful birds.

Eph 2:22 The born-again believer is said to be an habitation of God through the Spirit.

There are many spirits in this world that are going to try and deceive us and control us and tempt us to go the wrong way. We need to make sure that we are the dwelling place of the right Spirit.

Learning about the Holy Spirit is not enough. Becoming knowledgeable about unclean spirits and devils will not protect you from their deceitful ways. Your body must be the dwelling place of the Holy Spirit, or you will be led down a path that will ruin your life.

The spirit of disobedience will command you to disobey. It starts small, and then grows into greater disobedience. When a child talks back to their parents and says, "I won't" or "I don't want to," that is the spirit of disobedience that will lead to a ruined life if it is not corrected immediately.

Which Bible commandments do you choose to disobey? You will disobey the ones that interfere with your present lusts of the day. Soon you will be committing even greater sins because the spirit of disobedience got a hold of your life and hung onto it.

Parents! Don't be slack in taking back control when your child begins to exhibit even the smallest signs that they're being controlled by the spirit of disobedience. Rebellion is not cute. It must be put down immediately.

1 Jn 4:6 There are two teachers:

- 1. the Holy Spirit who teaches truth and leads you into truth.
- 2. The spirit of error who teaches falsehood and leads you that way.
 - People will gladly study and learn the things they want to learn.
 - If you won't read your Bible, that is testimony that you don't want to learn the truth. You're not interested in learning how to live for God.
 - The same spirit of error that tells you not to read the Bible, pray, or witness, etc. will lead you later on to lie, steal, commit fornication, experiment with drugs, drink liquor, etc. The spirit of error will lie and say, "Follow me; I'll make you happy." But if you follow, you might end up in jail, in rehab, in the divorce court, etc.

Rom 8:14-15 Here, the spirit of bondage again to fear is contrasted with the Holy Spirit of God.

- The Holy Spirit will bring you into a Father-son, Parent-child relationship with God the Father in heaven. There is no better Father.
- The spirit of bondage again to fear will tempt you to do what you know is wrong, resulting in the fear of getting caught.
- If you always do what is right, you will never have reason to fear.
- The spirit of bondage will convince you that you can quit sinning any time you want to. What you don't realize is that the longer you commit sin, the stronger the hold it has over you until you can't quit. That is the bondage.

2 Cor 11:3-4 There is another spirit, which ye have not received. This spirit will lead a church-attending person into a religion that will take hold of them and keep them in bondage. It will try to convince you that you're free, but in reality, you are bound in error and soon to become the habitation of every foul spirit.