

## **Two Spirits in the World**

Christ in You and Among You

Philippians 1:27-2:13; James 3:13-18

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- I. Christ in You
  - a) Colossians 1:27-29—the hope of glory
  - b) Galatians 4:19—the central apostolic mission
  - c) Romans 8:9—the work of the Spirit
  
- II. The Character of Christ in You
  - a) Romans 8:26-30 – God’s paramount purpose
  - b) II Corinthians 3:1-4:6 –The promise of the new covenant
  
- III. Three Christlike Characteristics in You: Philippians 1:27-2:13
  - a) Anonymity
  - b) Humility
  - c) Obedience
  
- IV. Three Antichrist Characteristics: Philippians 2:3-4 (2:19-24); James 3:13-18.
  - a) Selfish Ambition
  - b) Spiritual Pride
  - c) Self-willed
  
- V. The Promise of Ultimate Victory in Jesus Christ
  - a) II Thessalonians 2:8, 13-3:5

b) Chosen; Saved; Sanctified; Steadfast; Everlasting Consolation and Good Hope; Comforted; Established in Every Good Work.

**Summary:** There is spiritual warfare going on the world today. It involves Satan's final stand as a defeated foe. The battle is for the Christian mind, particularly, how we think about Christ. The Spirit of Christ in the believer is actively working to conform the believer into the image of Christ in thought, word, and in deed. Satan is actively working also to pervert that image, first in your mind and experience, and thus in your character, so that the world does not see him in you and in the church—this is the Spirit of Antichrist. It is the duty of every believer therefore to be seeking spiritual maturity and strong discernment so as to avoid having your mind led astray from the simplicity and purity of devotion to Christ. This brief series has not been an exhaustive study on this topic, but an introduction, a brief exhortation to equip you for this battle, knowing that Christ has already secured the victory, we need only follow his footsteps to where he is, "outside the camp, bearing his reproach" (Hebrews 13:13). **AMEN.**

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