

### **1 John 4:1-6**

v1 – spirit	(noun)	a being that can't be seen or touched
v3 – acknowledge	(verb)	accept or admit the truth of a matter
v3 – antichrist	(noun)	anyone who denies Jesus Christ came in the flesh
v4 – overcome	(verb)	defeat, overpower
v6 – falsehood	(noun)	opposite of truth

### **1 John 4:1-6 (New International Reader's Version)**

<sup>4</sup> Dear friends, do not believe every spirit. Test the spirits to see if they belong to God. Many false prophets have gone out into the world. <sup>2</sup> Here is how you can recognize the Spirit of God. Every spirit agreeing that Jesus Christ came in a human body belongs to God. <sup>3</sup> But every spirit that doesn't agree with this does not belong to God. You have heard that the spirit of the great enemy of Christ is coming. Even now it is already in the world.

<sup>4</sup> Dear children, you belong to God. You have not accepted the teachings of the false prophets. That's because the one who is in you is powerful. He is more powerful than the one who is in the world. <sup>5</sup> False prophets belong to the world. So they speak from the world's point of view. And the world listens to them. <sup>6</sup> We belong to God. And those who know God listen to us. But those who don't belong to God don't listen to us. That's how we can tell the difference between the Spirit of truth and the spirit of lies.

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