



# MISSION CITY

## BIBLE CHURCH

**DATE:** Sunday, September 11, 2022

**TITLE:** How to Guard Against Spiritual Deception

**SERIES:** The Book of Revelation: Worthy is the Lamb

**PASSAGE:** Revelation 13:11-18

### **INTRO:**

Jesus warned us to be aware of false prophets

Cf., Matthew 7:15; 24:4-5, 24 (see also Acts 20:28-30; 2 Thessalonians 2:9-12; Jude 3-4)

### **3 LESSONS FOR HOW TO GUARD AGAINST SPIRITUAL DECEPTION:**

**1) Make sure you're not being drawn to things that \_\_\_\_\_ but aren't (v11-12)**

The \_\_\_\_\_ Trinity vs. The \_\_\_\_\_ Trinity

5 ways we can know what God is really like:

- 1) \_\_\_\_\_
- 2) \_\_\_\_\_
- 3) \_\_\_\_\_
- 4) \_\_\_\_\_
- 5) \_\_\_\_\_

**2) Pay attention to the \_\_\_\_\_ and not just the \_\_\_\_\_ (v13-15)**

Cf., Deuteronomy 13:1-5

**3) Be clear on who has your \_\_\_\_\_ (v16-18)**

**PRAYER POINTS** (based on Revelation 13:11-18):

**THE PRAISEWORTHY QUALITIES OF GOD THE FATHER AND GOD THE SON:**

- God remains in control – even over the workings of the beast (v14: “it is allowed”; v15: “and it was allowed”)
- God gives wisdom and understanding (v18)

**REVERENCE:**

- Lord, we worship you because . . .
- God, I praise you because you remain in control even when it feels like . . .

**RESPONSE:**

- Lord, have mercy on me, a sinner . . .
- God, I confess I haven’t always believed you’re in control, especially when . . .

**REQUEST:**

- Lord Jesus, please guard us from being spiritually deceived especially when . . .
- Father, I pray for (name the person) and I ask that you deliver them from the deception they are under
- Lord, please give us wisdom and understanding when it comes to . . .

**READINESS:**

- Lord, when I’m tempted to believe lies from Satan concerning \_\_\_\_\_, I will trust that you alone have true wisdom and understanding for what I’m going through