

## International Bible Study Commentary

Verse-by-Verse Bible Lessons Thru the Bible L.G. Parkhurst, Jr.

## 1 John 4:1-6 Application

- 1. The Holy Spirit indwells those who love, follow, and obey Jesus' commandments, so believers have the ability and tools to test the spirits.
- 2. The teachings of the Bible, and especially the commands and teachings of Jesus and the apostles, give us good tools to test the spirits and false prophets. The spirits of false prophets will deny God and the Bible are true.
- 2. False prophets are inspired by or filled with false spirits who will seek to mislead those who love, follow, and obey Jesus' commandments.
- 4. Those inspired by the Spirit of God will confess that Jesus is the Messiah, the only Son of God, and that the Father sent Him into the world in the flesh with a human body, mind, and soul: fully God and fully man.
- 5. God in us is greater than the one who is in the world. We listen to the writers of the Bible; therefore, we know the spirit (and Spirit) of truth and the spirit of error, so we will and have conquered the spirits of error.

**Your Application — Your Takeaway Notes**