

**“DETERMINING RIGHT FROM WRONG: ACQUIRING THE
CAPACITY FOR SPIRITUAL DISCERNMENT”**

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“Discernment” Practices:

[1] LEARN TO SEPARATE _____ FROM _____
JOB 42:7-8

“After the LORD had spoken these words to Job, the LORD said to Eliphaz the Temanite: My anger burns against you and against your two friends, for you have not spoken of me what is right, as my servant Job has...For you have not spoken of me what is right as my servant Job has...”

[2] PRAY FOR _____ AND VALUE IT
ABOVE ALL OUR OTHER PERSONAL REQUESTS James 1:5

“If any of you lacks wisdom, let him ask God who gives generously to all without reproach, and it will be given him.”

[3] SEEK TO GROW IN YOUR _____
Heb. 5:11-14

“About this we have much to say, and it is hard to explain, since you have become dull of hearing. For though by this time you ought to be teachers, you need someone to teach you again the basic principles of the oracles of God. You need milk, not solid food, for everyone who lives on milk is unskilled in the word of righteousness, since he is a child. But solid food is for the mature, for those who have their powers of discernment trained by constant practice to distinguish good from evil”

[4] SEARCH FOR _____ WHERE
SPIRITUAL DISCERNMENT WAS APPLIED TO A _____
Acts 8:23; 1 Cor. 6:12

"For I see (perceive, discern) that you are in the gall of bitterness and in the bond of iniquity."(Acts 8:23) "All things are lawful for me, but not all things are helpful. All things are lawful for me, but I will not be enslaved by anything" (1 Corinthians 6:12).

[5] LEARN TO _____ BIBLICALLY
Matt. 22:18-21

"But Jesus aware of their malice, said, Why put me to the test, you hypocrites? Show me the coin for the tax. And they brought him a denarius. And Jesus said to them "Whose likeness and inscription is this? They said "Caesar's." Then he said to them, "Therefore render to Caesar the things that are Caesar's and to God the things that are God's. When they heard it, they marveled. And they left him and went away."

CONCLUSION

"Christ and the apostles were not constantly involved in controversy and beaten and stoned and killed because they sought agreement with the world and attempted integration wherever possible. They suffered because of the firm, antithetical stand they took for truth over against the world's deceptions. In contrast, today the shift against antithetical thinking and toward humanistic thinking has contributed much to the softness of the church and her frightful lack of discernment." (pg. 34, A Call for Discernment in the Church, Jay Adams)