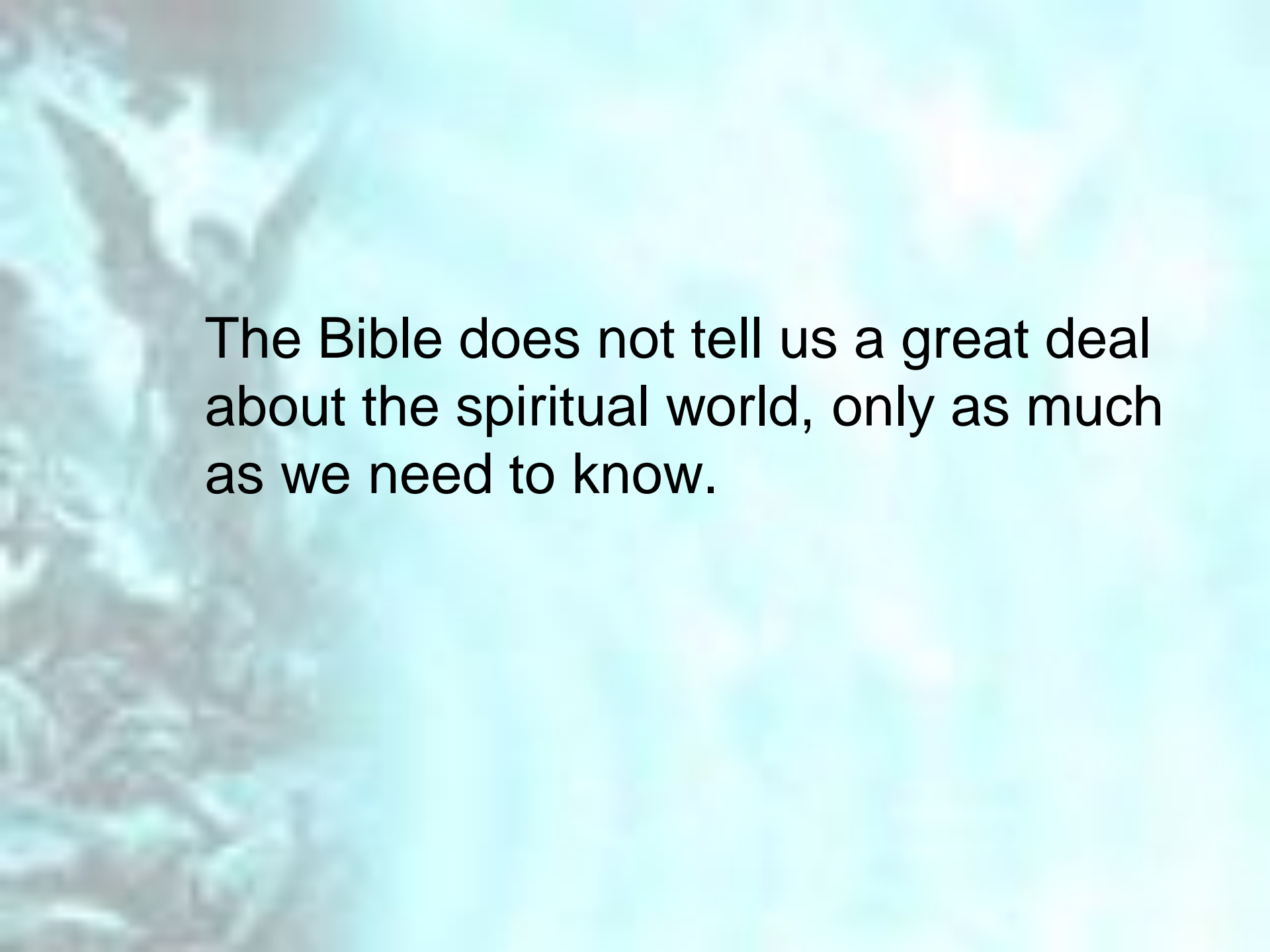




Angels Part 2
Fallen Angels



The Bible does not tell us a great deal about the spiritual world, only as much as we need to know.

1. What do these all have in common?

- Cherubim
- Seraphim
- Spirit guides
- Demons
- Archangels

All are types of spiritual beings

Some good, some bad

2a Who is this?

You were the model of perfection,
full of wisdom and perfect in beauty.

You were in Eden, the garden of God; ...

You were anointed as a guardian cherub...

You were on the holy mount of God; you
walked among the fiery stones.

from Ezekiel 28 v. 12-17

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2b. Who is this?

- a) Gabriel
- b) Jesus
- c) Satan

c) Satan

3. Which is the odd one out and why?

- a) Satan = enemy
- b) Lucifer = morning star, his original name
- c) The old serpent = ancient name for Satan
- d) The Accuser = the devil
- e) Damian is **not** a name for Satan

4a. So what went wrong?

We are not told much about this, but many people think the following passages give us some clues.

4b. So what went wrong?

You were blameless in your ways from the day you were created till wickedness was found in you.

So I drove you in disgrace from the mount of God, and I expelled you, O guardian cherub...

Your heart became proud on account of your beauty, and you corrupted your wisdom because of your splendour.

from Ezekiel 28 v.12-17

4c. So what went wrong?

Some Bible passages have a double meaning. This one is about the King of Babylon, but many believe that it also about what happened before our universe was created.

“How you are fallen from heaven,

O shining star, son of the morning!

You have been thrown down to the earth,

you who destroyed the nations of the world.

For you said to yourself, *see next slide →*

4d. So what went wrong?

“I will ascend to heaven and
set my throne above God’s stars.

I will preside on the mountain of the gods
far away in the north.

I will climb to the highest heavens
and be like the Most High.”

Instead, you will be brought down to the place of
the dead, down to its lowest depths.

Isaiah 14 v.12-15

This passage is about the King of Babylon, but many scholars consider that it has a double meaning. What do you think?

War in heaven

Then war broke out in heaven. Michael and his angels fought against the dragon, and the dragon and his angels fought back. But he was not strong enough, and they lost their place in heaven.

The great dragon was hurled down – that ancient snake called the devil, or Satan, who leads the whole world astray. He was hurled to the earth, and his angels with him.

5. What was Satan's status before he was thrown out of heaven?

- a) Prince
- b) Archangel
- c) Cherub
- d) Power Ranger

5. What was Satan's status before he was thrown out of heaven?

- In Ezekiel he is described as a **cherub**
- but he was also a great prince and
- he may have been an archangel.

- He was not a Power Ranger, although he was quite powerful!

6. True/false

Satan has powers similar to God

False

He would like to have such power but 'the dark side of the force' is not nearly as powerful and he cannot create as God can.

7. Which words does the Bible use to describe Satan?

- Proud
- Powerful
- Wicked
- Subtle
- Deceitful
- Attractive
- Fierce
- Cruel
- Liar
- Murderer
- Beautiful
- Angel of light

ALL of them

8. True/false

Spirits can be visible or invisible

True

9. True/false

Spirits are very intelligent

True

And they also have a great deal of knowledge as they have been around a long time!

10. True/false

Demonic spirits can
perform miraculous signs

True

But only up to a point.

Revelation 16:14.

11. True/false

Satan and his angels can foretell the future

False

But they can be good at making it look as though they can

Isaiah 46:10 “Only I can tell you the future.”

Acts 16:16-18

12. Discuss

Why does the Bible tell us to avoid mediums, fortune-telling and certain other spiritual activities?

And do not let your people practice fortune-telling, or use sorcery, or interpret omens, or engage in witchcraft, or cast spells, or function as mediums or psychics, or call forth the spirits of the dead.

Deuteronomy 18:9-11 NLT

Choosing Spiritual Connections

Jesus

Prayer

Meditation

Prophecy

Hearing God

Vision

Miracle

Clairvoyant

Séance

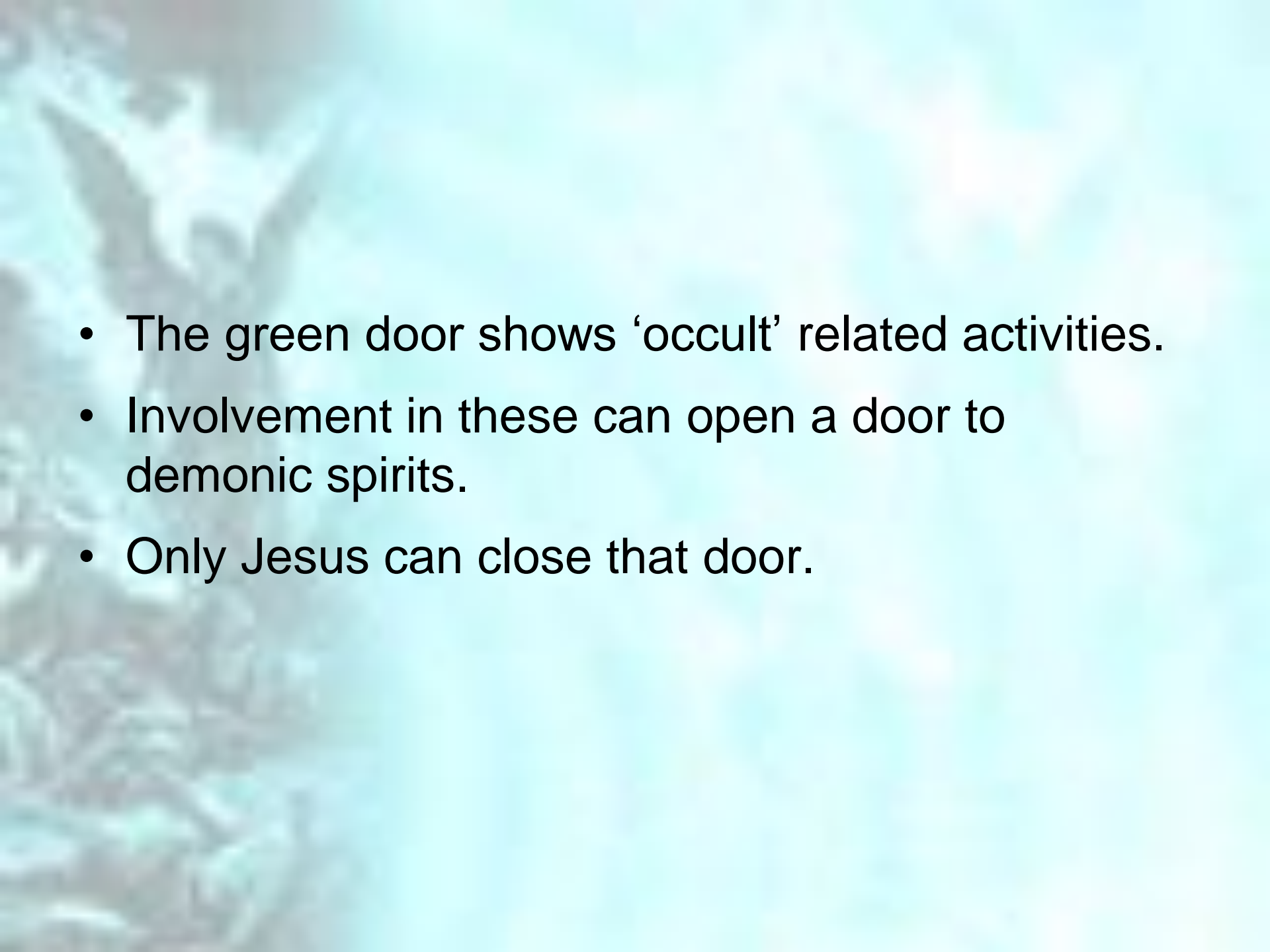
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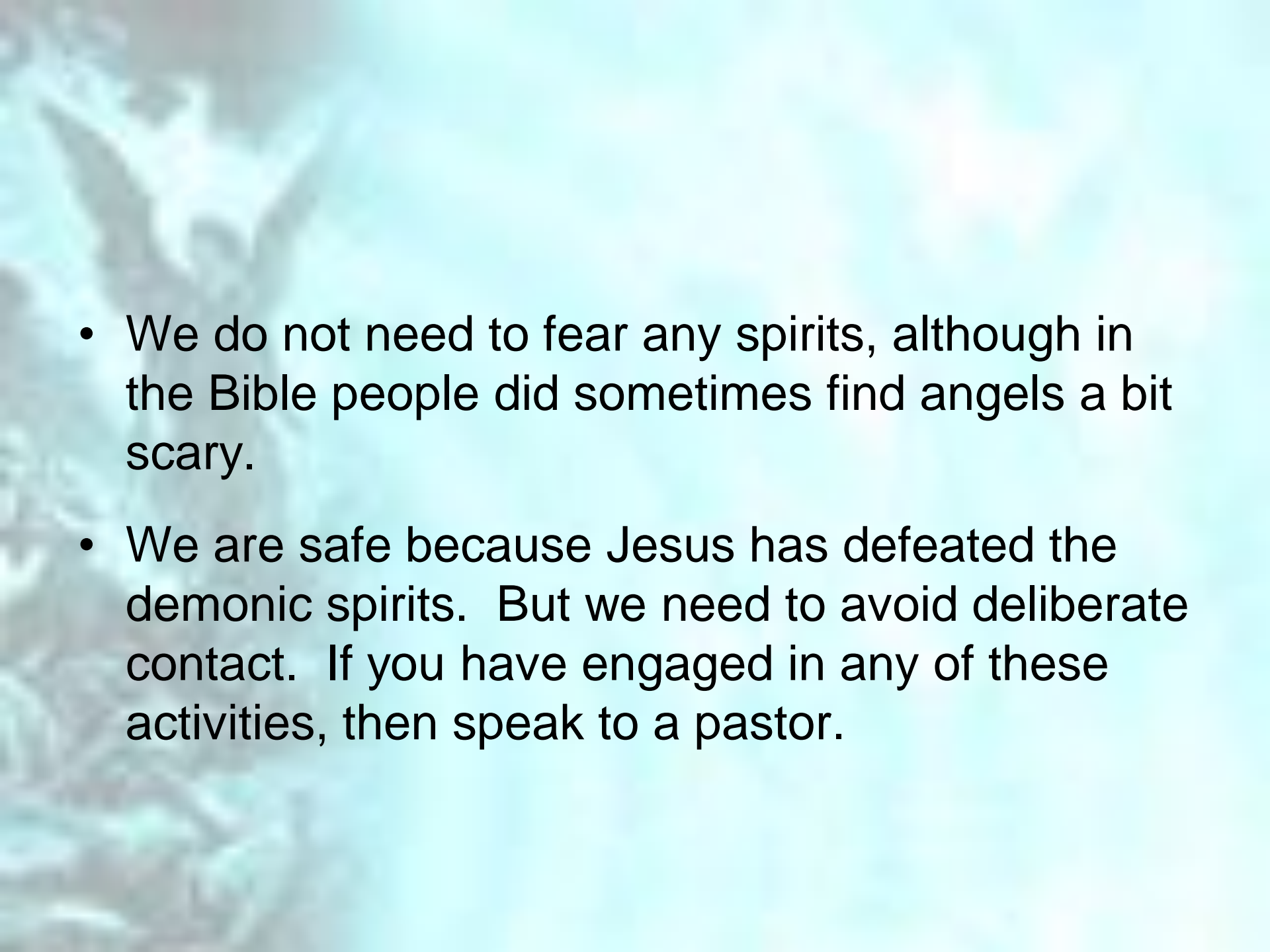
Fortune-telling

Horoscopes

Astrology

Levitation

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- The green door shows ‘occult’ related activities.
 - Involvement in these can open a door to demonic spirits.
 - Only Jesus can close that door.

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- We do not need to fear any spirits, although in the Bible people did sometimes find angels a bit scary.
 - We are safe because Jesus has defeated the demonic spirits. But we need to avoid deliberate contact. If you have engaged in any of these activities, then speak to a pastor.



Jesus said

“I am the door.

Whoever enters through me will be saved.

The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy;

I have come that they may have life, and have it to the full.”

John 10:7-10 abbreviated.



Extra

Angels cannot see people's thoughts.

Daniel 2:9-11 NIV: "So then, tell me the dream, and I will know that you can interpret it for me.'

The astrologers answered the king, {Nebuchadnezzar} 'There is no one on earth who can do what the king asks! No king, however great and mighty, has ever asked such a thing of any magician or enchanter or astrologer. ¹¹ What the king asks is too difficult. No one can reveal it to the king except the gods, and they do not live among humans.'

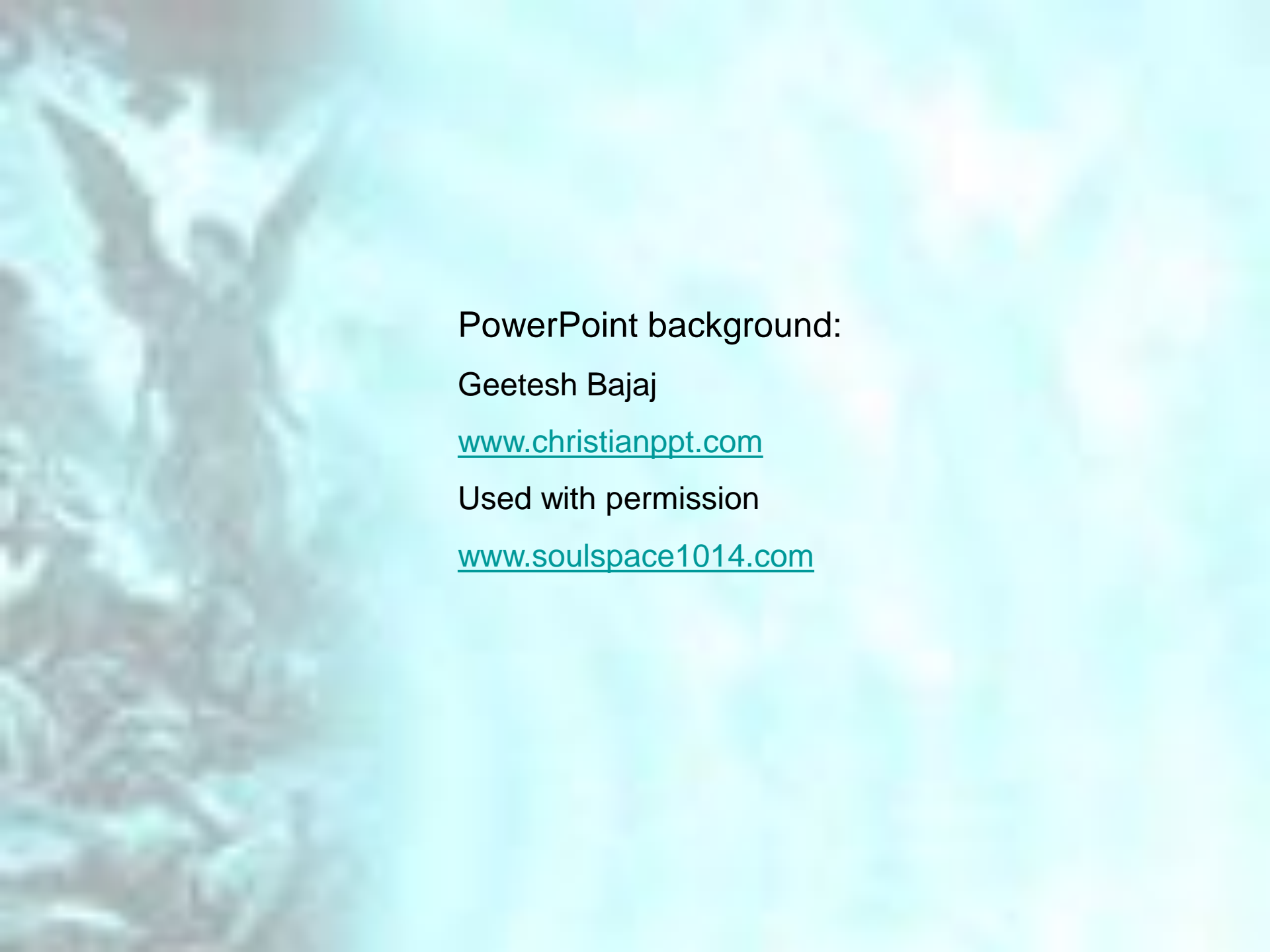
Daniel prayed and God told him the dream and its' prophetic meaning. See Daniel chapter 2

The fortune-telling slave girl

¹⁶ One day as we were going down to the place of prayer, we met a slave girl who had a spirit that enabled her to tell the future. She earned a lot of money for her masters by telling fortunes. ¹⁷ She followed Paul and the rest of us, shouting, “These men are servants of the Most High God, and they have come to tell you how to be saved.”

¹⁸ This went on day after day until Paul got so exasperated that he turned and said to the demon within her, “I command you in the name of Jesus Christ to come out of her.” And instantly it left her. Acts 16:16-18 NLT





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