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Demonic Operation The Deliverance Game of Modern Day Exorcists

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The Apostle Paul instructed, "Now I urge you, brethren, note those who cause divisions and offenses, contrary to the doctrine which you learned, and avoid them" (Romans 16:17).

A popular conviction among Pentecostals and Charismatics is the idea that believers can be demonized or indwelt, possessed, or occupied by a demon spirit or spirits. Likewise such a notion can even be found among some Evangelicals. Yet others within the Pentecostal, Charismatic, and Evangelical camps — including cessationists (those who believe sign gifts ceased at the end of the first century) — take issue with the concept that Christians can be indwelt by demons or be demonized.

For example, one of the tenets of the Assemblies of God denomination is that believers cannot be indwelt by demons. *The New Dictionary of Pentecostal and Charismatic Movements*, states:

"Classical pentecostal writings have traditionally made a distinction between demon possession and demon influence. While allowing for demonic affliction, pentecostal commentators have been adamantly

against any possibility of demon possession among believers."¹

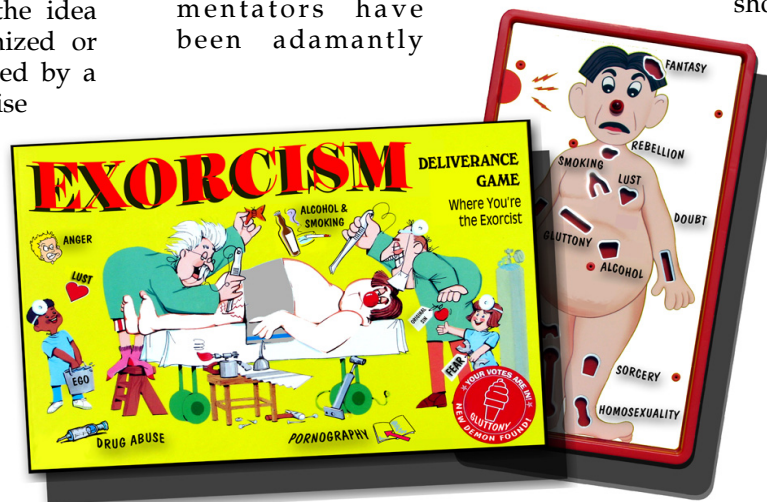
By now, because of contradictory claims by modern exorcists, some have learned to discern and are starting to catch on to the fact that these

showmen are in a subjective and silly guessing game.

This discernment comes, in part, as a result of the varied and contradictory locations as to where the demons are supposed to be positioned in the Christian's body. Yet the discernment level is far from where it should be.

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Sideshowes called "exorcisms" can be moved to the
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