

Strength of Revelation (from John Paul Jackson)

1. Feeling (confirmation)
2. Knowing (intuition/insight)
3. Vague Pictures
4. Impressions (conscience)
5. Discernment (good and evil)
6. Dreams
7. Twilight (before waking and sleeping)
8. Trances
9. Word from a recognized, seasoned prophet (unknown to you)
10. Visions (literal)
11. Visitation (in a vision)
12. Manifestation of the Holy Spirit
13. Visitation of Jesus
14. Heavenly translation
15. Visit from 3rd Heaven
16. Visit from God (blinding white light)
17. God's audible voice
18. Throne room experience

Discerning the Origin (from Mark Virkler)

Test the spirits

Self – Was it primarily in the mind? Does it feed my ego or exalt Jesus? What does it resemble?

Satan – Does the image seem destructive? Does it lure me away?

God – Is it a living flow of pictures coming from my inner-most being? Was my inner being quietly focused on Jesus?

Test the ideas

Self – Does it have ego appeal? Is self the centerpiece or is Jesus the one who is lifted up?

Satan – Is it negative, destructive, pushy, fearful, and accusative? Is it a violation of the nature of God? Is the image "afraid to be tested"?

God – Is it instructive, uplifting, and comforting? Does it accept testing? Does it encourage me to continue in my walk with God?

Check the fruit

Self – Elevates man in contrast to the Lord.

Satan – Am I fearful, in bondage, anxious, confused, or possessing an inflated ego as a result of an encounter?

God – Do I sense quickened faith, power, peace, good fruit, enlightenment, knowledge, or humility?