PRINCIPALITIES AND POWERS [#18]: "discerning the spirits".......Elliott #918 Prepared for Kirkridge Board Bible Study, 14Jan77

GOAL: This Bible study aims to provide a process and experience of interfacing angels and demons in prayerful expectation of Guidance in discovering our distinctive mission as "Kirkridge" in the Kingdom of God: think and pray big! WORKSHEET's columns reveal its function in the stages of the process. "Demons" here is a holophrase for (1) all fallen "principalities and powers," extrahuman and human, in rebellion against the sovereignty and nature of God, and (2) all processes and structures let loose in the human heart and history by these consciousnesses. The double premise is (1) that in addition to "bad" occurences, i.e. happenings unfavorable to the prosperity and even existence of some of us humans, "evil" exists in the forms of egoic claims against God and malicious efforts to impede and pervert his creative intentions; and (2) that we human beings are invited, urged, called to work with the Spirit in frustrating "evil with good." (For Mt.12.43-45[L.11.24-26], see #911 after this exercise.)

PROCESS: Stage #1: Above....Stage #2: (in groups of four): Data-gather on Section A, then I'll record on large pad.... Stage #2 (in the groups): Data-gather on Section B, + record....Stages #3 and #4, same procedure.

Demons to be exorcized Scriptures Angels to be called upon Section A: GLOBAL AND NATIONAL Section B: **ECCLESIAL** (church at

[Reverse

sheet for:]

all levels)

Section C: KIRKRIDGE

Section D: PERSONA L