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## **Not So Spiritual Side of Spirituality**

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Spirituality is a word that incorporates many different topics and fields. Since the reemergence of spirituality as a movement within the United States over the last 10 years, there has been an explosion in entertainment dollars associated with it. In reality television, there was instant intrigue with the proof of life after death with Ghost Hunting shows. Many people ask me if Ghost Hunting and the people associated with shows are spiritual. My answer is that it is in part, but the people who produce and make shows aren't spiritual but more entrepreneurs of Spirituality. Let's take Zak Bagans who started the hit series on the Travel Channel "Ghost Adventures". Zak comes off as a Bad Boy who wears all black clothes and tight fitting shirts with tattoos all over his body, who goes to fight and document Spirits, Ghosts and demons with his Ghost adventures crew. On his arms and fingers, he has tattoos of crosses to protect himself and the weak that are being harmed from bullying and aggressive energies. So he portrays himself as a knight who defends the weak but in reality off camera he has a major legal battle for not paying his agreed 10% commission to the company Abrams Artist Agency who got Zak his \$4.5 million dollar contract with Travel Channel in October of 2012. So I ask the question again. Where is the spirituality of a person who documents spirituality but does not live the life of a spiritualist? If Zak's isn't doing the right thing off camera, what makes you think he is doing the right thing on camera and it is these types of questions that have caused a lot of people to doubt the authenticity of the show "Ghost Adventures". I reached out to both Zak Bagans (ZBE) and Abrams Artist Agency (Alec Shankman) for this story with no comment. So now I leave this question of spirituality in your hands to decide.



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