

SPIRITUALISM, SORCERY, AND WITCHCRAFT

1. Did you know that God commanded Israel that those who practice sorcery or witchcraft should not be permitted to live? (Exodus 22:18).
2. Did you know that to seek to communicate with spirits or with the dead is to become defiled and unfit to appear before God to worship Him? (Leviticus 19:31).
3. Did you know that God cuts off from among His people all who turn to mediums for help? (Leviticus 20:6).
4. Did you know that in the Old Testament capital punishment by stoning was God's sentence on any man or woman who called up spirits? (Leviticus 20:27).
5. Did you know that witchcraft, fortunetelling, crystal gazing, necromancy, and palmistry are related to spiritualism and are strongly condemned by God? (Deuteronomy 18:10, 11).
6. Did you know that it was because of their black magic and related practices that God destroyed the Canaanites? (Deuteronomy 18:10–12).
7. Did you know that Samuel's most effective way of impressing upon Saul the enormity of the sin of disobedience was by likening it to witchcraft? (1 Samuel 15:23).
8. Did you know that King Saul of Israel, when he was faithful to God, cleared all the mediums out of the land? (1 Samuel 28:3).
9. Did you know that when King Saul later consulted a medium, it was only after his sins had made communication with God impossible? (1 Samuel 28:6, 7).
10. Did you know that Saul's loss of his crown and his untimely death were the direct judgment of God on him for his dealings in spiritualism? (1 Chronicles 10:13).
11. Did you know that the list of wicked King Manasseh's sins includes consulting with mediums, fortunetellers, and sorcerers? (2 Chronicles 33:6).
12. Did you know that one of the reasons God rejected Israel was because they practiced magic and communicated with evil spirits? (Isaiah 2:6).
13. Did you know that it is insulting to God to consult the dead when you can inquire of Him? (Isaiah 8:19).
14. Did you know that a fortuneteller could be demon-possessed, like the girl in Philippi out of whom Paul cast an unclean spirit in the Name of Jesus? (Acts 16:16–18).
15. Did you know that true Christians, like those at Ephesus, have nothing to do with black magic and its related practices? (Acts 19:19).
16. Did you know that sorcery is included in the works of the flesh listed in the Bible and that those who practice it cannot enter the kingdom of God? (Galatians 5:19–21).
17. Did you know that those who engage in sorcery will be shut out of heaven and banished forever from God? (Revelation 21:8; 22:15).
18. Did you know that the teachings of spiritualism are doctrines of demons? (1 Timothy 4:1).
19. Did you know that the increase in following after subversive doctrines inspired by devils is one of the predicted signs of the last days and of the near approach of judgment? (1 Timothy 4:1).
20. Did you know that demons are subject to God's greater power and tremble before Him? (James 2:19).

21. Did you know that deliverance is available for those who are caught under the bondage of demonic power? Jesus Christ died on the cross to break the devil's power (Hebrews 2:14). When we look to Him in faith and repent of involvement in any form of witchcraft, Christ is both willing and able to save us (Hebrews 7:25). By the power of His Holy Spirit working in our hearts, we can rise above the devil's dominion and walk in newness of life (Romans 6:4).

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