

Astrology, Fortune-telling and Psychics

Isaiah 47:12-14 "Stand now in your spells and in your many sorceries with which you have labored from your youth; perhaps you will be able to profit, perhaps you may cause trembling. You are wearied with your many counsels, let now **the astrologers, those who prophesy by the stars, those who predict by the new moons**, stand up and save you from what will come upon you. Behold, they have become like stubble, fire burns them; they cannot deliver themselves from the power of the flame....."

The literal translation of the Hebrew for "astrologer" here is "**horoscopist of the sky**". Even though the actual words "horoscope" or "astrology" are not found many times in most Bible translations, it comes under the subject of "divination." The word "divination" in the Bible is used to refer to ALL kinds of fortune-telling, whether by palm reading, Tarot cards, horoscopes, or whatever method is used. God forbids His people from having anything to do with fortune-telling and divination of ANY kind!**The reason for this is that the use of the zodiac or horoscopes is IDOLATRY**, which is forbidden in **the Ten Commandments**. Idolatry is devotion to any other thing other than **the true and living God, as He reveals Himself to us in the Bible**. God also forbids His people from mixing their worship of Him with occult, witchcraft, or religious practices of any kind other than what He has set out in His word, the Bible. God 's word tells us that idolatry and fortune-telling are dangerous, because **they open the person up to demonic activity**. It is demons that give the information to fortune-tellers and psychics, and it is the demons who try to make the things happen that you read and believe in your horoscope or psychic "reading." Why would Satan and his demons be so interested in making things happen in someone's life, just because they read it in their horoscope or heard it from a psychic? Because **they will do ANYTHING they can to keep people from completely TRUSTING in God the Father and His Son Jesus Christ**, and they will do anything in their power to take as many people to hell as possible.

- **Exodus 20:3-5** "You shall have NO OTHER GODS BESIDES ME. You shall not make for yourselves **an IDOL, or any likeness of what is in the heaven above (zodiac)** , or on the earth beneath, or in the water under the earth. You shall not BOW DOWN yourselves to them, or serve them; for I the Lord your God am a jealous God..."
- **I Corinthians 10:14-21** "Therefore, my beloved, FLEE from IDOLATRY.....What do I mean then? That a thing **sacrificed to idols** is anything, or that an idol is anything? No, but I say that the things which the Gentiles (non-believers) sacrifice,**they sacrifice to DEMONS, and NOT to God**; and I do not want you to become sharers in DEMONS."
- **Acts 16:16-19** "And it happened that as we were going to the place of prayer, a certain slave girl **having a SPIRIT of divination** met us, who was bringing her masters **much profit by FORTUNE-TELLING**. Following Paul and us, she kept crying out, 'These men are bond servants of the Most High God, who are proclaiming to you the way of salvation.' And she continued doing this for many days. But Paul was greatly annoyed, and turned and **said to the spirit (demon), 'I command you in the name of Jesus Christ to come out of her!'** And it came out at that very moment. But when her masters saw that **their hope of profit was gone**, they seized Paul and Silas, and dragged them into the market place before the authorities."
- **Isaiah 8:19** "And when they say to you, 'Consult the **mediums and the wizards** who whisper and mutter,' **should not a people consult their God?** Should they consult the dead on behalf of the living?"

When you consult or seek advice from a psychic, fortune-teller, so-called "spiritual advisor" or medium (one who supposedly contacts the dead), you are in effect **seeking advice from Satan rather than God the Creator!** God loves you so much, that He came to earth in the person of Jesus Christ, to pay the penalty for your disobedience to His commandments. From

the very beginning, with Adam and Eve, Satan has been trying to deceive people into obeying and following him instead of God. Don't be fooled! Don't be deceived! **Trust in the true and living God**, and guard yourself from the devil and his tricks! Reading your horoscope may seem like such a harmless thing, but **it opens the door to more and more darkness and disobedience to God**. Eventually, people can become so deceived and in such bondage, that they will even sacrifice their own children to these demon gods. Is this happening in our day, and in civilized societies? Yes, in several ways. Witches and Satanists do actually perform ritual human sacrifices, both of babies and adults, but there is also the sacrifice of millions of babies every year through abortion - sacrificed to the gods of selfishness!

- **I John 5:19-21** "We know that we are of God, and **the whole world lies in the POWER of the evil one (Satan)** . And we know that the Son of God has come, and has given us understanding, in order that we might know Him who is true, and we are in Him who is true, in His Son Jesus Christ. **This is the TRUE GOD and ETERNAL LIFE**. Little children, guard yourselves from IDOLS."
- **Psalms 106:37-38** "They served their idols, which became a snare to them. **They even sacrificed their sons and their daughters to DEMONS, and shed innocent blood**, even the blood of their sons and daughters, whom they sacrificed **to the IDOLS** of Canaan..."
- **Deuteronomy 32:15b-17** "Then he forsook the God who made him, and scorned the Rock of his salvation. They made Him jealous with strange gods; with abominations they provoked Him to anger. They **sacrificed to demons** not to God, to gods whom they have not known...."
- **Deuteronomy 17:2-7** "If there be found among you.....a man or woman who has done wickedness in the sight of the Lord your God in transgressing His covenant, and has gone and **served other gods**, and worshiped them, either the SUN or MOON, or **any of the HOST of HEAVEN (stars, signs of the zodiac)** , which I have not commanded;...then you shall bring forth that man or woman....and shall stone them with stones 'til they die."
- **Deuteronomy 12:29-13:18** (selected verses) "When the Lord your God shall cut off the nations from before you.....be careful that you are **NOT** snared (trapped) by following them..... **so that you inquire after their gods**, saying, 'How did these nations serve their gods? Maybe I will do the same.' YOU SHALL NOT do so to the LORD YOUR GOD, for they have committed every abomination, which the Lord hates, for they have even **sacrificed their SONS and DAUGHTERS** in the fire to their gods.....If there should arise among you a prophet or **a dreamer of dreams (one who claims to see visions)** , who gives you a sign or a wonder, and the sign or wonder comes to pass....if he says, 'Let us go after other gods and serve them,' you shall not listen or pay attention to that prophet....for the Lord your God is testing you, to know whether you love the Lord your God with all your heart and all your soul."
- **Deuteronomy 18:9-14** "When you enter the land which the Lord your God gives you, you SHALL NOT learn to imitate the detestable things of those nations. There SHALL NOT be found among you anyone who makes his son or daughter pass through the fire (HUMAN SACRIFICE), **or one who uses DIVINATION (FORTUNE TELLING)** , or one who practices WITCHCRAFT, or one who interprets omens (PSYCHICS), or a sorcerer, or one who casts a spell, or one who CONSULTS with FAMILIAR SPIRITS (channeling), or a spiritist, or one who calls up the dead (mediums & séances). For whoever **does these things is DETESTABLE to the Lord**.....but as for you, the Lord your God HAS NOT ALLOWED YOU to do so."

If you have been involved in any of these things, follow these steps to be set free:

1. **REPENT of ANY participation in Satan's activities.(confess it as being wrong, and be willing to turn away from it). CONFESS it as SIN.** I John 1:9 "If we confess our sins, He is faithful and just **to FORGIVE us our sins**, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness."

2. **ACCEPT what Jesus Christ did for you on the CROSS.** If you have never trusted in Jesus Christ as your Savior, you **MUST** give your life completely to Jesus, and make a commitment to follow Him and serve Him only. Only the blood of Jesus, which He shed on the cross to pay the penalty for your sins, can bring you forgiveness and **set you free from Satan's power.**

- **Colossians 1:12-14** "Giving thanks unto **the Father**, who has qualified us to be partakers of the inheritance of the saints in light; **who has DELIVERED us from the POWER of DARKNESS (Satan's kingdom)** , and has translated us into the kingdom of **His dear Son** (Jesus); in whom we have redemption through His blood, even the FORGIVENESS of sins."
- **John 14:1-6** "'Let not your heart be troubled; you believe in God, believe also in Me. In My Father's house are many mansions; if it were not so, I would have told you. I go to prepare a place for you. And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and receive you to Myself; that where I am, there you may be also. And where I go you know, and the way you know.' Thomas said to Him, 'Lord, we do not know where You are going, and how can we know the way?' **Jesus said to him, 'I AM the WAY, the TRUTH, and the LIFE. NO ONE comes to the Father except THROUGH ME.'** "

Pray this prayer and receive Jesus Christ as your personal Savior today: **Almighty God, I come to You in the Name of Jesus, recognizing that I am a sinner. You said in Your word, "...If you shall confess with your mouth that Jesus is LORD, and shall believe in your heart that God has raised Him from the dead, YOU SHALL be SAVED" (Romans 10:9). I believe in my heart that JESUS is the CHRIST, the SON of the LIVING GOD. I believe that JESUS, the sinless Son of God, PAID the PENALTY on the CROSS for MY SINS, that HE was RAISED from the DEAD, and I accept Him as my Lord and Savior. Lord Jesus, come into my heart and take control of my life!**

If you have prayed this prayer **sincerely from your heart**, then the Bible says you are now a child of God, you have been **born again**, and your sins are forgiven. It is your faith in the **PERSON of Jesus Christ** that saves you, **not** any religious works of your own or good deeds you may do. Ephesians 2:8-9 says, "For by **GRACE** are you saved through **FAITH**; and that **NOT** of yourselves, it is the **GIFT OF GOD, NOT of WORKS**, lest any man should boast." Welcome to the family of God! God is now your heavenly Father.

- **Romans 8:15** "For you did not receive the SPIRIT of bondage again to FEAR, but you received the Spirit of ADOPTION by whom we cry out, 'Abba, Father.' The Spirit Himself bears witness with our spirit that **we are children of God.**"
 - **Galatians 3:26** "For you are all children of God THROUGH faith in CHRIST JESUS."
3. **COMMAND all demons to leave you in the NAME OF JESUS!** John 8:32 "You shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you FREE." Tell Satan and his demons that you belong to Jesus, and he has no right to attack you or oppress you. Tell Satan he cannot deceive you any longer, because **you know the truth**, and the truth has made you free. He is no longer your master - Jesus is your Lord! Just say, "**In the name of Jesus**, I close the door that may have been opened to allow Satan into my life through my participation in _____ (Name the sin) _____. I ask You, Lord, to keep the door closed with the precious blood of Jesus."