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WHAT IS WITCHCRAFT? & WHAT GOD SAYS ABOUT IT

 **For my visual learners:**

-  **Take It from Someone Who Used to Talk to Satan: Halloween Is a Bad Idea**
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 **Personal testimony on doing witchcraft and coming out of it:**

I wanted to be married and have a kid by 30 which was the age I was at the time. I remember going to a tarot card reader which happened to be a Babalawo or witchdoctor and telling me that “I have the Word of God in me, I don’t belong here.” I remember still doing a few things to help me in my situation and it only made me more paranoid.

The man (witchdoctor) knew the Lord and said you and your family follow me to church and brought us to the church I attend now. Just know, God can use anybody to get you off the trenches. (In the Bible, God even uses a donkey to speak!) There is where I felt something different - I felt the presence of God. It felt alive. I went every morning to the house of prayer they had. I felt the Holy Spirit fall on me strongly as the main Pastor, Apostle, laid hands on us. I felt the love of God, I felt the restoration.

Eventually, I heard the Holy Spirit speak to my heart. The Holy Spirit eventually told me, “You are not my daughter if you continue to do these things.” Then led me to the Scripture Deut. 18: 9-12. “When you enter the land the Lord your God is giving you, do not learn to imitate the detestable ways of the nations there. Let no one be found among you who sacrifices their son or daughter in the fire, who practices divination or sorcery, interprets omens, engages in witchcraft, or casts spells, or who is a medium or spiritist or who consults the dead. Anyone who does these things is detestable to the Lord.” So I gave up every witchcraft activity.

I said, “I surrender everything to you Jesus.” I recommitted my life to Jesus in the spring of 2021 and got water baptized and Holy Spirit baptized by the summer at age 30 (the same age as Jesus when He was baptized by John the Baptist).

In 2024, I saw the same witchdoctor at church and he said to me “I gave up everything. I heard from God, I’m a car salesman now.”

Now, with the Holy Spirit I know how to fight in prayer, I know when open doors to the enemy are open and how Jesus can deliver me progressively or instantaneously. I know with the Holy Spirit I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me, and I know it more than a Bible verse – but I'm living and experiencing it! I feel alive and restored. I feel so close to God and can hear the voice of My Shepard

What is Witchcraft?

 **What does the Bible say about witchcraft / witches?** (searchable on YouTube)

The Bible has a lot to say about witchcraft. Witchcraft and its many cousins, such as fortune-telling and necromancy, are Satan's counterfeits to holy spirituality. The Bible expressly condemns all forms of witchcraft.

Let's get into the different forms of witchcraft and what God says about it.

Source: Deliverance is the Children's Bread by Guillermo Maldonado

What is God's answer to the subject?

*"⁴Surely He has borne our griefs and carried our sorrows; yet we esteemed Him stricken, smitten by God, and afflicted.
⁵But He was wounded for our transgressions, He was bruised for our iniquities; the chastisement for our peace was upon Him, and by His stripes we are healed." Isaiah 53.4, 5*

Divination

Men have always wanted to know the future and to experiment with everything that is supernatural. The practice of divination has deceived many people. The enemy has always wanted to imitate God in everything and prophecy was not going to be the exception. Divination is nothing more than the carbon copy of this gift of the Spirit. Divination is the human attempt to know and control the world and the future; thus, leaving behind the one true God. It is offensive to consult someone other than God about such things because He is the only one who knows all things. God invites man to accomplish what He planned.

"¹¹Thus says the Lord, the Holy One of Israel, and its Maker: Would you question Me about things to come concerning My children and concerning the work of My hands (would you) command Me?" Isaiah 45.11—AMP

Any effort to know anything through a path other than God is divination. One example of this is people who are deceived into believing they are communicating with their dead relatives. Demons establish an alliance with the people who practice divination in order to mislead others by providing information and power.

What does God say?

“¹⁰There shall not be found among you anyone who makes his son or his daughter pass through the fire, or one who practices witchcraft, or a soothsayer, or one who interprets omens, or a sorcerer, ¹¹or one who conjures spells, or a medium, or a spiritist, or one who calls up the dead. ¹²For all who do these things are an abomination to the LORD, and because of these abominations the LORD your God drives them out from before you.” Deuteronomy 18.10-12

After reading the previous verses, many might be asking: what is the difference between a person who practices divination, a soothsayer, fortune teller, sorcerers, charmers, and magicians? It is difficult to establish the difference between these because they resemble each other. Nevertheless, let us try to establish some kind of difference:

Divinator: supposedly, this person predicts or tries to interpret dreams. This practice goes together with invocations to a deity for answers.

Soothsayer: this person practices a form of divination that pretends to determine which days are lucky and which are unlucky.

Fortune-teller: a person who pretends to “read someone’s fortune” or luck using different means such as: cards, cups, hands, eggs, and more.

Sorcerer: a person who prepares ointments, formulas for certain foods, brews, recipes, etc, that accompany incantation, which according to them, serve to accomplish good or bad favors on behalf of the people seeking their services.

Charmer: a person who performs acts of magic over things or people by using brews or the aid of a deity. In ancient times, a charmer was an expert snake handler—an ancient art practiced in Israel, Mesopotamia, and Egypt for the same purpose.

Wizard: a person who thinks he can influence spiritual deities for good or evil by using brews, enchantments, ceremonies, or special magical words—this practice is combined with medicinal knowledge which is the power to heal using plants or astrology.

"But these two things shall come to you in a moment, in one day: the loss of children, and widowhood. They shall come upon you in their fullness because of the multitude of your sorceries, for the great abundance of your enchantments. ¹⁰ "For you have trusted in your wickedness; you have said, "No one sees me"; your wisdom and your knowledge have warped you; and you have said in your heart, "I am, and there is no one else besides me." ¹¹ Therefore evil shall come upon you; you shall not know from where it arises. and trouble shall fall upon you; You will not be able to put it off. And desolation shall come upon you suddenly, which you shall not know. ¹² "Stand now with your enchantments and the multitude of your sorceries, in which you have labored from your youth-- perhaps you will be able to profit, perhaps you will prevail. ¹³ You are wearied in the multitude of your counsels; let now the astrologers, the stargazers, and the monthly prognosticators stand up and save you from what shall come upon you. ¹⁴ Behold, they shall be as stubble, the fire shall burn them; they shall not deliver themselves from the power of the flame; it shall not be a coal to be warmed by, nor a fire to sit before!"
Isaiah 47.9-14

Astrology

Astrology is the branch of divination that is known as an art but condemned by the Bible. Astrology consists in determining the influence of the stars over the terrestrial activities, the destiny of humanity, and future predictions. Astrologists attribute their powers to the planets including the sun and the moon which are also identified as gods for Babylonia and Assyria. People who practice astrology are often spiritists involved in the occult.

“¹⁹And take heed, lest you lift your eyes to heaven, and when you see the sun, the moon, and the stars, all the host of heaven, you feel driven to worship them and serve them...”
Deuteronomy 4.19

“⁵Then he removed the idolatrous priests whom the kings of Judah had ordained to burn incense on the high places in the cities of Judah and in the places all around Jerusalem, and those who burned incense to Baal, to the sun, to the moon, to the constellations, and to all the host of heaven.”
2 Kings 23.5

Horoscope

The horoscope predicts the future for people, things, and nations by using the relative position of the stars in the solar system and the zodiac signs. Each sign has a meaning of luck or misfortune. In assuming the influence that they would have in men, the stars become gods. The personal horoscope is determined by the combination of the date and hour of the birth and the position of the stars during the event. This is also used by astrologers.

"²Thus says the LORD: "Do not learn the way of the Gentiles; do not be dismayed at the signs of heaven, for the Gentiles are dismayed at them." Jeremiah 10.2

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Witchcraft

Witchcraft is a form of wizardry that is related to objects to which magical properties are attributed, specifically, to the occult, Satanism, and magic. These are practiced by people who entered into a pact with wicked spirits or with Satan himself.

"¹²...will cut off sorceries from your hand and you shall have no soothsayers. ¹³Your carved images I will also cut off, and your sacred pillars from your midst; you shall no more worship the work of your hands; ¹⁴I will pluck your wooden images from your midst; thus I will destroy your cities." Micah 5.12-14

Sorcery

At first, sorcery was a form of magic that had to do with the use of medicinal drugs, pharmaceuticals, enchantments, and later poisoning. This is also known as the work of the flesh because many people live dependent on sleeping pills and on medication to control their character and for their general well-being; their trust is in the drugs. People become addicts

because they have a hard time living without drugs; they are enslaved to cigarettes, marijuana antidepressants, cocaine, and heroine; they have not dared to believe in the power of God for their deliverance. The use of drugs in sorcery is accompanied, for the most part, by enchantments and invocations to occult powers. A variety of charms are used in order to impress the people who seek the advice of a sorcerer. The word “*farmakia*”, which comes from the word “pharmacy”, means to be controlled by a spirit. For instance, Jezebel, the spirit of control and manipulation, manifests when people allow themselves to be controlled by their personal desires and allow this spirit to influence them at the moment of prayer; thereby, causing them to make prayers of manipulation and control over other people.

What are the consequences for practicing these activities?

“⁸But the cowardly, unbelieving, abominable, murderers, sexually immoral, sorcerers, idolaters, and all liars shall have their part in the lake which burns with fire and brimstone, which is the second death.” Revelation 21.8

Magic

Magic is the copilation of beliefs and practices which are based on the idea that hidden powers exist in nature and that these should be brewed or blended together to obtain a benefit. The intention of this practice is to cast away evil spirits, to create bad luck, or to cure people from evil spirits and magic spells; these are otherwise known as white magic. It also causes disgrace by uniting evil spirits and supernatural forces that execute power against the intended target—otherwise known as the art of black magic; these, combined, become an effective mixture. Many people, in their

ignorance, believe in the existence of white and black magic, but this is a lie created by the enemy; there is no such thing. Magic goes against God. Therefore, it is bad. I ask you: "If God is against these kinds of practices, could it be that He is contradicting Himself by sending good spirits or angels through a conjurer to help you?" Of course not! God honors His Word and He is the only One who is able to do something truly wonderful for you. He is the only One who can deliver you from any curse in your life or influence that might be oppressing you after you practice any form of magic.

"Also he made his son pass through the fire, practiced soothsaying, used witchcraft, and consulted spiritists and mediums. He did much evil in the sight of the LORD, to provoke Him to anger." 2 Kings 21.6

Spiritism

Spiritism is an occult science that causes the manifestations of spirits or immaterial beings; these spirits communicate with people through channels or people known as mediums while these are under hypnosis. The medium is the receiver of messages that come directly from demons or "spirit guides". Those who practice spiritism claim to be our only source for guidance into the "beyond"; they claim to protect and take care of us. This practice has diversified in many others, such as: palmistry, card reading, astrology, cartomancia, astrology, voodoo, camdomble, umbanda, macumbe, and more. These are ways used by the enemy to try and separate man from his Creator.

"¹⁹And when they say to you, "Seek those who are mediums and wizards, who whisper and mutter," Should not a people

seek their God? Should they seek the dead on behalf of the living?" Isaiah 8.19

"¹⁰There shall not be found among you... one who calls up the dead. ¹²For all who do these things are an abomination to the LORD." Deuteronomy 18.10-12

The Occult

The occult is a belief based on everything that is occult and mysterious. It uses divination, witchcraft, spiritism, magic, and everything else that is occult and that has nothing to do with God. The occult is a practice that is totally prohibited by God.

"²²For there is nothing hidden which will not be revealed, nor has anything been kept secret but that it should come to light." Mark 4.22

The Ouija Board

The ouija board is a spiritist practice; it is often perceived as a harmless table game. This "game" is sold in toy stores as a form of entertainment. People buy it without realizing the danger they are exposed to when they play it.

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be created in the form of questions and answers. The spirit uses the person who is most sensitive to the spiritual realm to communicate with; the other participants become the intercommunicators. When the game is played, the lives of the participants are in danger. Many things can go wrong including the appearance of a mocking or jokester spirit that can make objects fly and eventually hurt someone; also, people playing the “game” might be spiritually exposed to any situation that might lead them to their death.

Satanism

Satanism is a cult dedicated to Satan. Unfortunately, many young people have fallen pray to this kind of cult not only out of curiosity for the occult but also to seek identity that their parents should have given them—sadly, Satan takes advantage of someone's lack of identity to achieve His evil deeds. Satanism is a widely practiced ritual; drugs and gangs make up for its largest commodity. This cult is completely opposite to everything that is related to the gospel. In other words, we cannot be with God and with Satan at the same time.

"¹¹Does a spring send forth fresh water and bitter from the same opening? ¹²Can a fig tree, my brethren, bear olives, or a grapevine bear figs? Thus no spring yields both salt water and fresh." James 3.11, 12

Tarot

The tarot is composed of seventy eight cards; these are larger than the normal playing cards and have different figures. They are used for the exclusive use of divination or card reading. For the most part, this is practiced by psychics who

Hypnotism

Hypnotism is a trance state to which an individual is lead under the guidance of another person. Hypnotism is supposed to be used to make changes in people's thoughts, sensations, behavior, and emotions. This practice is very dangerous; not only is this practice an open door to demonic influences while the mind is under hypnosis, but also, it could cause the individual under hypnosis to surrender his soul to the devil without being aware of it. During this hypnotic trance, the person who is under does not

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distinguish what is real or what is fictitious. Hypnosis is not the same as mental control because the person who participates in mental control is doing it unconsciously.

"¹²All things are lawful for me, but all things are not helpful. All things are lawful for me, but I will not be brought under the power of any." 1 Corinthians 6.12

Levitation

During a session in which levitation is performed, the body is elevated from the floor and maintained in the air without natural support. Some people have the ability to elevate people or objects. Parapsychologists say that levitation is possible through mental control. Ancient Buddhism and Taoism teach that levitation is done through meditation, inner peace, and synchronization of nature. God created man and established natural laws such as gravity so that we could

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live on earth. Why should we want to take the position of a superman and do the things that God did not establish?

Metaphysics

Metaphysics is the study of everything that man is unable to perceive with his five senses, independently of its diverse manifestations or phenomena. It is the desire to go beyond the physical realm in an effort to understand the transcendental things of God and the soul without taking into account faith or God.

believe that they are experts in this game and who acquire great monetary wealth at the expense of desperate people in search of answers or guidance. People who had their cards read might say, “The person who read my cards told me personal things he could not have known.” We must remember that the enemy always tries to imitate the gifts of the Holy Spirit and he does it through “familiar” spirits. People who read the Tarot cards align themselves to these familiar spirits to get information. Any type of information that is acquired through different means, other than through God, is an abomination to Him.

Telepathy

Telepathy is the extra sensory transmission of sensations and thoughts—a form of mental control used in hypnosis that takes place at great distances between two or more subjects. When this ability is well developed in an individual, he has the ability to control someone else’s mind at his convenience.

People should only be directed by the Holy Spirit of God. Any intent to control and manipulate people angers the Lord.

believe in this movement practice meditation, concentration, relaxing exercises, fantasy, mental techniques for regression, and mental control; self-control, spirit guides, and parapsychology. Those who practice it teach children that they are perfect; thus, eliminating the need for Jesus.

Astral Projection

Astral projection is a practice known as astral traveling or soul travel; it consists in projecting the soul to another place. According to the people who practice it, it is the partial or total separation of body and soul. It is necessary for the soul to be able to leave the limitations of the physical body, while it remains attached to the body by a “silver cord”, which, if broken, the person dies. This practice of the occult is performed for different reasons; these include recharging energy, going to other places, communication with the dead, to reenforce the extrasensory abilities, to spy, and in the more advance cases, to spy on others using astral sight or a “third eye”. This practice is also used by Satanist to destroy churches.

Parapsychology

Parapsychology is a field of study concerned with investigating telepathy and other related subjects. It studies abnormal phenomenon or occurrences, especially extrasensory perception and psychokinesis—these practices are prohibited by God. It is considered a branch in psychology because it attributes psychic events where known sensory organs do not intervene in the unconscious activity of the individual. These are found in similar activities resembling the occult and hidden sciences.

New Age

New Age does not have a definite beginning; it is compiled of different religious ideas which teach that man can save himself in his own strength and do everything that he sets his mind on.

“⁸For by grace you have been saved through faith, and that not of yourselves; it is the gift of God.” Ephesians 2.8

The New Age movement exalts “mother earth,” which according to them, it is fertilized by the sun. People that

Santeria

Santeria is the result of a mixture between African religions and the Spaniard Catholic culture during the time that African slaves were taken to Cuba. They claim to have only one god called “*Olofi*”, but this being is very far away and has no personal interest in humanity. For this reason, people who practice Santeria must seek the help of intermediaries called **orichas**, who, according to them, are the “mediators” between this god “Olofi” and men. This religion involves divination and magic, and it has over 400 deities, including: “*Ochun* (Virgin of Charity)—yellow in color—patroness of love, marriage, and the Island of Cuba; *Obatala* (Virgin of

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Mercies, the Black Child) black—patron of peace and purity; *Chango* (Saint Barbara) red—patron of virility, fire, lightening and thunder; *Babalu Aye* (Saint Lazarous) purple—*Elegua* (child of Atocha, Saint Anthony) guardian of all doors, including that of the dead; he is the messenger for Olofi and the rest of the saints and it is used for divination—*Oyá* (Saint Teresa, Virgin of the Candelarias) queen of the dead and patroness of cemeteries. Santeros perform cults, rituals, and animal sacrifices; they take offerings, drink special brews, and worship the dead in order to worship the *orichas*; they do this to receive protection, to

to worship the *orichas*; they do this to receive protection, to get answers to situations pertaining to daily living, to obtain powers, to dedicate people to these gods, and to obtain wealth. Also, they perform special “services” in addition to the sale of images.

What does the Bible say about Santeria?

*“⁴...who desires all men to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth. ⁵For there is one God and one Mediator between God and men, the Man Christ Jesus.”
1 Timothy 2.4, 5*

Reincarnation

Reincarnation is the return of the soul after it has separated from the body after death. This doctrine is based on the fact that life and time are cycles that imply a process of purification for the souls through transformation.

What does God say on this subject?

“²⁷And as it is appointed for men to die once, but after this the judgment.” Hebrews 9.27

Many people do not understand the seriousness of this subject. We should know we have to face the Judgment Seat after death. If we understand this, we will live in the reverent fear of the Lord. Understanding that reincarnation does not exist makes us aware of the importance of interceding for those who are lost. Many people are deceived by the belief that they still have a second opportunity for salvation after they die, but this is a lie for there is no such thing as reincarnation.

Buddhism

Buddhism is a religion that was established by Buddha; he claimed to be the answer to pain and suffering and pretended to accomplish this by stepping out of the birth and death cycle into *nirvana (state of non suffering)*. According to Buddhism, this is the only way for one to be free from the cause of suffering. Suffering can be destroyed or eliminated if the control exercised by our desires is removed. The goal of Buddhism is to mislead the people to the path of self destruction as if it were the only means of being free from suffering.

While these people dedicate their lives to seeking deliverance from their suffering, God teaches the following:

- ♦ He will be with us always, even during difficult moments:

"²When you pass through the waters, I will be with you; and through the rivers, they shall not overflow you. When you walk through the fire, you shall not be burned, nor shall the flame scorch you." Isaiah 43.2

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- ◆ We must learn to trust Him: *"⁶Be anxious for nothing, but in everything by prayer and supplication, with thanksgiving, let your requests be made known to God." Philipians 4.6*
- ◆ He gives us peace: *"³You will keep him in perfect peace, whose mind is stayed on You, because he trusts in You." Isaiah 26.3*

Islam

The Arabic word “Islam” means submission to God. This is a compilation of doctrines and precepts that constitute Muhammad's religion. The devotee has four obligations: prayer, fasting during the lunar month of Ramadan, the giving of charity, and a pilgrimage to the holy city of Mecca, if possible. Islamism does not accept the Trinity because it believes that the Holy Spirit is a strength that comes from God, and it sees Jesus as a prophet that came after John the Baptist. In this belief, Muhammad is the last prophet. Islamic followers believe that Ala is the same God of Abraham who ended his revelation in Mahoma. They consider women to be inferior to men. They teach that those who die in the holy war (the war to expand Islam) have guaranteed their entrance into heaven. Hell, for those who follow this religion, is “only” boiling oil and fire for those who do not follow Ala’s precepts. Muslims pray five times a day for the sole purpose of glorifying Ala. They claim that man has a predetermined destiny, and because of it, every time that something happens, the Arabian says, “it was written.” If something out of the ordinary happens, it is man’s fault. The Islamic religion does not recognize Adam’s original sin.

There is no doubt that Mahoma was a false prophet who exerted great influence over entire nations. We have not seen the end of what his teachings will do around the world.

“²⁴For false christs and false prophets will rise and show great signs and wonders to deceive, if possible, even the elect.” Matthew 24.24

Hinduism

Hinduism is a popular religion in India, Ceilan, and Birmania; it is full of ceremonies and rituals. Its purpose is to gain supernatural powers over this world and over all things by sacrificing animals. Hinduism is more a social expression than a religious manifestation because of the relationship between this religion and every aspect of life (down to the smallest detail). This religion accepts many gods, such as: *Brahma* (the creator of all things), *Vishnu* (keeper of the universe), and *Siva* (the comforter). The goddess *Kali* is also very popular. *Brahma*, *Vishnu*, and *Siva* are the highest trinity in Hinduism. It teaches that man is like any other creature and that reincarnation is the hope to achieving a more advanced race or breed. It also teaches that through *Karma*, one can achieve or earn spiritual merits next to the divinities.

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"¹¹This is the "stone which was rejected by you builders, which has become the chief cornerstone. ¹²Nor is there salvation in any other, for there is no other name under heaven given among men by which we must be saved.""
Acts 4.11, 12

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Heresies that teach against faith in God are all very similar but are presented in different ways.

Yoga

Yoga is a spiritual and corporate discipline that is practiced to deliver the spirit from the tensions found in the body by dominating the movements with rhythm and breathing. There are two types of yoga: *hatha-yoga* which is used to acquire magical powers and *raja-yoga* which is dedicated to spiritual perfection. The yoga practiced in the western world is an evolution of yoga Hindu; it is practiced for the purpose of "improving the mind and the body."

Hare Krishna

Hare Krishna is one of the many oriental sects that have reached South America; it is the only Hindu sect that is monotheistic (the doctrine or belief that there is only one God). It exerts a great amount of influence upon the younger generation to abandon everything to help spread spiritual enlightenment and God's love (*Krishna*). It also includes living under the same roof of their teachers and other members in a community style setting. Their god is *Krishna*, who in truth, never existed but is a Hindu personality taken from chapter 18 of a novel called "*Mahabharata*". Each time the mantra is chanted, (Hare Krishna...Hare Ramah...) they say that it gives them power and acceptance of their god. Every being is subject to Karma's laws. They believe that Jesus, Buddha, and Muhammad were only religious reformers. They believe there is life on other planets and that the soul is immortal. The body is considered sickly. These people practically live in slavery. For instance, they sleep on hard floors and are only allowed to be intimate with their spouses once a month and only after chanting the mantra for five hours before. They eat very little and are not allowed to

play or practice any sport. They cannot engage in conversation with anyone outside this movement. Although they avoid many things such as drugs, illicit sex, tobacco, coffee, and eat only vegetarian food. Hare Krishna is a religion that goes against God and is totally dangerous, especially for the youth. Annually, over 15 million volumes of literature, translated into over 30 languages, are printed.

Rosicrucian

This is a religious society with a Masonic blueprint. The rose represents the human body and the cross the victory obtained through the passionate blood of men. They define God as energy. To those whom they initiate, it is demanded of them to set up an altar with Egyptian gods in their homes and burn incense and candles before them as an offering. The members are instructed to get in touch with the spirits of dead teachers; thus, making the new member a medium.

According to those who teach this system of physical philosophy and metaphysics, individuals live a more “happy” and useful life. The members also practice astral projections to help develop their inner intuition and the power of mental influence. Once more, we find ourselves with a “religion” that involves idol worshipping, spiritism, metaphysics, mental projection, mental control, and more. Although, on many occasions, the association with man and these practices are denied, the truth is that what you have just read is widely practiced today.

Although the feminine masonry was established, it still prohibits the membership of women. The secret of masonry has to do with metaphors, rituals, ceremonies, signs of identification, philosophical doctrines, religious doctrines, and the mysteries of Judaism, Egyptian, and Babilonic paganism. Masons believe they can win their salvation with works, because according to their beliefs, men are not sinners, only imperfect beings.

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One of the classic writings in Masonry was written by Albert Pike—an active member of the Ku Klux Klan—who openly declared himself to be a member of the occult. This sect does not believe in the Trinity. It declares that Jesus spent time with the Monks in Tibet and He is known as the prophet Issa. They also say that after a time, He left the monastery to teach everything He had learned from the Monks.

Masonry

Masonry is a secret society established to help the bricklayers or masons. They meet in assembly halls, but because of their divisions, it is hard to establish a Masonic pattern. Although

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they argue that masonry is not a religion, it has many characteristics similar to that of a religion. God is called the great architect of the universe. Their goal is to reach a higher level of moral standards than the rest of the community; they are trying to accomplish this by stages. In each stage, a different moral is taught. There are specific promises made for each stage. People do not need to know what they are swearing to (they swear for things that are still a mystery)

*"⁴Or if a person swears, speaking thoughtlessly with his lips to do evil or to do good, whatever it is that a man may pronounce by an oath, and he is unaware of it--when he realizes it, then he shall be guilty in any of these matters."
Leviticus 5.4*

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Chakras

Chakras refer to the main centers of energy that are aligned throughout the astral body of man and located in the center of the spinal cord and in the nervous system of the human body. According to oriental teachings, these neurological centers are the accumulation of the universe's energy and the bridge between the immaterial world and the physical body. These points were discovered in India and have been used by sorcerers and magicians to supply equilibrium, to generate, and to project power. These main energy centers can develop through man's will and through the different "mantras" (rapid repetition of a series of words or names of gods found in Hinduism).

God prohibits and condemns these practices and punishes those who practice them.

Prayer Declaration:

Heavenly Father, I thank you that you are my Redeemer! I thank you that you can change and transform lives. Please right now in the Mighty Name of Jesus, I come against any form of witchcraft or deception that I fell into knowingly or unknowingly in the name of Jesus! I declare in the MIGHTY NAME OF JESUS NO WEAPON FORMED AGAINST ME OR MY FAMILY SHALL PROSPER. In Jesus Name, Amen!

Call to salvation:

Will you accept Jesus as your Lord and Savior today? Or have you known Jesus before and slipped away? He is calling you back! He died for you and me and wiped the slate clean of our sin. We have a second chance. If you want to accept Jesus as your Lord and Savior or recommit your life to him, say this prayer out loud right now:

Heavenly Father, I recognize that I am a sinner and that my sin separates me from you. I repent of all my sins and confess Jesus as my Lord and my Savior. I believe with all my heart that God the Father raised Jesus from the dead. Lord Jesus, come into my heart and come into my life. The day I die, when I open my eyes, I will be in your arms. Amen!

Did you give your life to Jesus today? We want to hear from you! **Text saved to (954) 998-4054** one of the TBG members would like to pray for you and connect you with a community of believers.