DELIVERANCE
Prayer Study #356
First Love Ministries of Perry, Georgia USA

Handout #9: ENTRY POINTS OF DEMONIZATION
Occult Practices and Participation in Cultic Religions

All forms of fortune telling, spiritism, magic practices and any involvement in false religious cults are absolutely forbidden by Scripture. Both practice and participation in them are condemned by God.

Exodus 22:18
Leviticus 19:26, 19:31, 20:6, 20:27
Deuteronomy 18:9-12
1st Chronicles 10:13-14
Isaiah 8:19
Jeremiah 27:9-10
Zechariah 10:2
Malachi 3:5
Acts 8:9-13, 16:16-18, 19:19
Galatians 5:16-21
Revelation 21:6, 22:14-15

Those who practice such things usually end up with one or more of the following symptoms: inability to read and study the Bible; uncontrollable evil thoughts; blasphemous thoughts about God, Jesus or the Holy Spirit; excessive self-pity; overwhelming and continuing fear; uncontrollable emotions; resistance to spiritual things; religious delusions; depression; compulsive thoughts of suicide.

Some of these practices include fortune telling, Ouija boards, horoscopes, astrology, hypnotism, yoga, séances, Dungeons and Dragons, psychic healers, magic, Christian Science, New Age, clairvoyance, levitation, charms, automatic writing, use of mind altering drugs, witchcraft, and Wicca. Cultic religions and practices include Mormons who believe that there are many gods and that Adam is God the Father, and it was Adam who impregnated Mary from which union Jesus was born; Jehovah Witnesses who believe that Jesus is not God, but a created being who, in reality, is the archangel Michael and who did not resurrect in the physical but only in the spirit, and they believe that Jesus has already returned, and they deny the existence of hell; and finally Freemasons who believe that all religions are but different paths to the same goal.

Methods of Deliverance (from Women's Aglow International)

1. Confess your faith in Christ: *Lord Jesus, I accept you as the Son of God. I know that your blood was shed that I might be set free from all of Satan's power. Thank you, Jesus, for your blood that sets me free. I accept you as my Savior and Lord.* Even if you have already done this once in your life, reaffirm your confession of faith at this time.
2. Confess any participation in the occult. All occult involvement must be confessed as sin if liberation is to be realized. Make a confession similar to the following: *Father, in Jesus' name, I confess that I have sinned against you and your word by consulting a fortune teller, by attending a séance, or spiritualist meeting, etc.* Do this by confessing individual occult or cultic areas you have been involved in.
3. Renounce Satan and command him to depart. This should be a direct command to Satan himself. For example, *Satan, I hereby renounce you and all your works in my life. I command you to go in Jesus' name. By an act of my will, I close the door to you forever.*
4. Ask the Lord to break any occult bondage or oppression in your family history and to free you, your family and your future generations from occult influence through the blood of Jesus.
5. Accept God's forgiveness (1st John 1:9) and be released from guilt.
6. Commit all areas of your life to God. For example, *Lord Jesus, I commit my entire being to you: body, soul, and spirit. Jesus, I choose to make you Lord over every area of my being that I may follow you in completeness.*