God's judgment against sin has begun with His household, the church. His purpose is to separate the weeds from the wheat of the living and true church….God's glory will cover the people of Zion and meet every need.
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FROGS, OWLS, AND SERPENTS

Most people involved in deliverance ministry believe that certain objects, such as a Buddha figure, are an invitation to demonic activity. I personally have seen the stronghold of a demon defeated by destroying objects, clothes, good luck charms, rock music posters, porn posters, etc. I also feel that frogs and owls and serpents can carry demonic spirits. Dr. Paula Price in *The Prophet's Dictionary* also seems to hold this position.

Frogs, according to Price, the frog is symbolic of a perverse spirit, manifesting as sexual immorality. The book of Revelation identifies frogs as unclean spirits from the mouth of the dragon. (Revelation 16:13-14: *And I saw three unclean spirits like frogs, coming out of the mouth of the dragon, out of the mouth of the beast, and out of the mouth of the false prophet. For they are spirits of demons, performing signs, which go out to the kings of the earth and of the whole world, to gather them to the battle of that great day of God Almighty.*) The fact that they come out of the mouths of the unholy trinity suggests that the frogs, in this case, are manifested by words, which that will use to seduce the rulers of the world to battle the God of heaven. Frogs also were the second of ten plagues sent by God to

the Egyptians when Pharaoh refused to let His people go. In addition frogs in the Bible indicate heresy. They were used the ancient people are a rain charm. They represent unclean prophecies and false teachings.

Price tells us that owl are a witchcraft spirit, often identified with a female practicing divination. Although Price does not mention this, we know that witches put frogs at their back door to indicate to people in the know that they are practicing witches. Prophesying against Babylon, Isaiah writes, "*But wild beasts of the desert will lie there, and their houses shall be full of owls."*

Finally, Price speaks of the serpent. She says that from antiquity the snake is believed to be symbolic of magic powers, mysterious knowledge, fertility, and powers of darkness. There are many references in scripture to serpents, and many of them pertain to the occult. When we meet the serpent in Genesis, he is an animal that apparently walked upright, was able to talk, and had superior intellect. In the contest between the Pharaoh's magicians and Moses in Exodus 12, Aaron throws his rod to the ground, and it became a snake. Not to be outdone, Pharaoh's magicians threw their rods down, and they became snakes. But the snake from Aaron's rod swallowed up all the other snakes. This was prophetic, as the reign of the serpent over the Israelites in Egypt and the reign of Egypt was coming to an end. Revelation 12:9 says, "*So that great dragon was cast out, <u>that serpent of old</u>, called the Devil and Satan, who deceives the whole world; he was cast to earth, and his angels were cast out with him."*

There should be no argument that these are harmless creatures, who have no effect on the spiritual environment

of the home. Anyone in deliverance ministry will tell you they do affect the household, and it is surprising that many will refuse to part, to be on the save side, with these objects.