

## PRAAYER STUDY 30

### "Freedom from the Occult"

*Stand fast therefore in the liberty wherewith Christ hath made us free.*

Galatians 5:1

(Information taken from Women's Aglow Fellowship, Intl.)

- I. **Forbidden by Scripture:** 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 & 31, Leviticus 20:6 & 27, Deuteronomy 18:9-12; 1 Chronicles 10:13-14, Isaiah 8:19, Jeremiah 27:9-10, Zechariah 10:2, Malachi 3:5, Acts 8:9-13, Acts 16:16-18, Acts 19:19, Galatians 5:16-21, Revelations 21:8, Revelations 22:14-15, and Exodus 20:3-5
- II. **The Door Must be Closed by You:** Those who have been involved in the occult have opened a "door" of access to oppressing spirits, which they themselves must close by positive action and faith.
  - A. It is impossible for a Christian's spirit to be *possessed* by any other spirit but the Holy Spirit, but Christians have personalities (mind, will, and emotions) and a physical body which may be opened to satanic powers through occult involvement.
  - B. Some symptoms of oppression or bondage are: 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; etc.
- III. **Method of Deliverance**
  - A. 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 Satan's power. Thank-you, Jesus, for your blood that sets me free. I accept you as my Savior and Lord."
  - B. Confess any participation in the occult. 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, by using a Ouija board, etc."
  - C. Renounce Satan and command him to depart. "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.
  - D. Ask God 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.
  - E. Accept God's forgiveness (1 John 1:9) and be released from guilt.
  - F. Commit all areas of your life to God. "Lord Jesus, I commit my entire being to you: spirit, soul and body. Jesus, I choose to make you Lord over every area of my being that I may follow you in completeness."

## NON-CHRISTIAN SPIRITUAL CHECKLIST

(This entire page is taken from Neil T. Anderson's *The Steps to Freedom in*

*Christ*

*pp. 6-7*

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Out-of-body experience<br><input type="checkbox"/> Ouija board<br><input type="checkbox"/> Bloody Mary<br><input type="checkbox"/> Occult games<br><input type="checkbox"/> Magic Eight Ball<br><input type="checkbox"/> Spells or curses<br><input type="checkbox"/> Mental telepathy/control<br><input type="checkbox"/> Automatic writing<br><input type="checkbox"/> Trances<br><input type="checkbox"/> Spirit guides<br><input type="checkbox"/> Fortune-telling/divination<br><input type="checkbox"/> Tarot cards<br><input type="checkbox"/> Levitation<br><input type="checkbox"/> Witchcraft/wicca/sorcery<br><input type="checkbox"/> Satanism<br><input type="checkbox"/> Palm reading<br><input type="checkbox"/> Astrology/horoscopes | <input type="checkbox"/> Hypnosis<br><input type="checkbox"/> Astral projection<br><input type="checkbox"/> Seances/mediums/channelers<br><input type="checkbox"/> Black or white magic<br><input type="checkbox"/> Blood pacts<br><input type="checkbox"/> Fetishism/crystals/charms<br><input type="checkbox"/> Sexual spirits<br><input type="checkbox"/> Martial arts (mysticism)<br><input type="checkbox"/> Superstitions<br><input type="checkbox"/> Mormonism (Latter-day Saints)<br><input type="checkbox"/> Jehovah's Witness<br><input type="checkbox"/> New Age (teachings, medicine)<br><input type="checkbox"/> Masons<br><input type="checkbox"/> Christian Science/Mind Science<br><input type="checkbox"/> Unification Church (Moonies)<br><input type="checkbox"/> The Forum (EST)<br><input type="checkbox"/> Church of Scientology<br><input type="checkbox"/> Unitarianism/Universalism | <input type="checkbox"/> Silva Mind Control<br><input type="checkbox"/> Transcendental Meditation (TM)<br><input type="checkbox"/> Yoga (religion, not the exercise)<br><input type="checkbox"/> Hare Krishna<br><input type="checkbox"/> Bahaism<br><input type="checkbox"/> Native American spirit worship<br><input type="checkbox"/> Islam<br><input type="checkbox"/> Hinduism<br><input type="checkbox"/> Buddhism (including Zen)<br><input type="checkbox"/> Black Muslim<br><input type="checkbox"/> Rosicrucianism<br><input type="checkbox"/> False gods (money, sex, power, pleasure, certain people)<br><input type="checkbox"/> Other (non-Christian religions; cults; movies; music; books; video games; comics or fantasy games that glorify Satan, which precipitated nightmares or mental battles; and all other questionable spiritual experiences including spiritual visitations and nightmares) |
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### KINGDOM OF DARKNESS

### KINGDOM OF LIGHT

<b>I renounce ever signing my name over to Satan or having my name signed over to Satan.</b>	<b>I announce that my name is now written in the Lamb's book of life.</b>
<b>I renounce any ceremony in which I have been wed to Satan.</b>	<b>I announce that I am the bride of Christ.</b>
<b>I renounce any and all covenants I made with Satan.</b>	<b>I announce that I am under the new covenant with Christ.</b>
<b>I renounce all satanic assignments for my life, including duties, marriage and children.</b>	<b>I announce and commit myself to know and do only the will of God and accept only His guidance.</b>
<b>I renounce all spirit guides assigned to me.</b>	<b>I accept only the leading of the Holy Spirit.</b>
<b>I renounce ever giving my blood in the service of Satan.</b>	<b>I trust only the blood of the Lord Jesus Christ.</b>
<b>I renounce ever eating flesh or drinking blood for satanic worship.</b>	<b>By faith I symbolically eat only the flesh and drink only the blood of Jesus in Holy Communion.</b>
<b>I renounce any and all guardians and satanist parents who were assigned to me.</b>	<b>I announce that God is my Father and the Holy Spirit is my guardian by whom I am sealed.</b>
<b>I renounce any baptism whereby I have been identified with Satan.</b>	<b>I announce that I have been baptized into Christ Jesus.</b>
<b>I renounce any and all sacrifices that were made on my behalf by which Satan may claim ownership of me.</b>	<b>I announce that only the sacrifice of Christ has any hold on me. I belong to Him. I have been purchased by the blood of the Lamb.</b>