

FORWARD TO FREEDOM SPIRITUAL WARFARE

Important Definitions Relating To Spiritual Warfare

All of the below-listed behaviors are condemned in the Bible and believers are forbidden by God from having anything to do with such activities. As you review these definitions below, start by reading Deuteronomy 18:9-14 (NIV) which states,

“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 his 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, and because of these detestable practices the LORD your God will drive out those nations before you. You must be blameless before the LORD your God. The nations you will dispossess listen to those who practice sorcery or divination. But as for you, the LORD your God has not permitted you to do so.”

Human Sacrifice – The practice of sacrificing humans (usually one’s sons or daughters) to appease a deity to gain a favorable outcome. [America practices a form of human sacrifice today by aborting unborn children.]

Divination – The practice of seeking to foresee or foretell future events or gain hidden knowledge by means of supernatural powers other than God. Divination often involves the use of spells, speaking to spirits, and other occultic practices (i.e., Ouija board, palm reading, tarot card reading, tea leaves reading, horoscope, etc.).

Sorcery – The use of magic (especially black magic) to gain supernatural power or control over people or circumstances (often with the assistance of evil spirits, amulets, fetishes, etc.).

Omens/Omen Interpretation – An omen is an occurrence or phenomenon that supposedly foreshadows a coming event. The phenomenon could be essentially anything like an eclipse or unusual occurrence in the sky or on the earth. Omen interpretation is seeking out anyone who claims to have the power or ability to reveal exactly what the omen (or “sign”) means.

Witchcraft – A general term for any of the occultic practices like divination, sorcery, wizardry, incantations, casting spells or omen interpretation.

Spells/Casting Spells – A spell is a spoken word or form of words (also called incantations) believed to have magical powers. Casting Spells is the speaking of these words in order to bring about a supernatural end (i.e., practices common in Harry Potter books and movies).

Consulting Mediums or Spiritists – Consulting people who claim to be channels of communication between the earthly world (people who are alive) and the spirit world (people who are dead).

Consulting the Dead/Necromancy – Seeking to conjure up communication with the spirits of dead people for purposes of revealing the future or influencing future events.