

Modern Idolatry and Occult Practices: God's Plea and Judgment

This document lists common forms of idolatry and occult practices—both overt and subtle—that many people, including believers, may engage in knowingly or unknowingly. It also provides God's plea to reject these practices and the scriptural judgment upon those who refuse to do so, using the Legacy Standard Bible (LSB) as the reference.

Common Idolatry and Occult Practices

Horoscopes and Astrology

Belief that celestial bodies influence personal destiny.

Fortune Telling, Tarot Cards, and Psychic Readings

Seeking hidden knowledge or future events apart from God.

Crystals and Energy Healing

Ascribing spiritual power to objects for healing or protection.

Yoga (as spiritual practice) and Eastern Meditation

Spiritual exercises rooted in false religious systems.

Manifestation and Law of Attraction

Using thoughts or 'energy' to shape reality without God.

Ancestor Worship or Communication with the Dead

Seeking guidance or protection from deceased individuals.

Use of Good Luck Charms, Talismans, or Amulets

Placing faith in physical items instead of God.

God's Plea to Reject Idolatry and Occult Practices

- Leviticus 19:31 – “You shall not turn to mediums or to spiritists; you shall not seek them out to be defiled by them. I am Yahweh your God.”
- Joshua 24:23 – “Now therefore, put away the foreign gods which are among you, and incline your hearts to Yahweh, the God of Israel.”
- 1 John 5:21 – “Little children, guard yourselves from idols.”
- Acts 19:18–20 – “And many of those who had believed kept coming, confessing and disclosing their practices. And many of those who practiced magic brought their books together and were burning them before everyone... So the word of the Lord was growing mightily and prevailing.”

Judgment Upon Those Who Do Not Reject These Practices

- Revelation 21:8 – “But as for the cowardly and unbelieving and abominable and murderers and sexually immoral persons and sorcerers and idolaters and all liars, their part will be in the lake that burns with fire and brimstone, which is the second death.”

- 1 Corinthians 6:9–10 – “Do you not know that the unrighteous will not inherit the kingdom of God? Do not be deceived... nor idolaters... will inherit the kingdom of God.”
- Galatians 5:19–21 – “The acts of the flesh are evident... idolatry, sorcery... of which I forewarn you... that those who practice such things will not inherit the kingdom of God.”

Conclusion: A Call to Spiritual Purity

The Lord desires His people to worship Him alone in spirit and truth. The appeal is clear:

Joshua 24:15 – “Choose for yourselves today whom you will serve... but as for me and my house, we will serve Yahweh.”

Deliverance and forgiveness are available through repentance and faith in Jesus Christ. Let no practice, tradition, or cultural influence stand between a soul and the holiness God calls us to.