

5 Biblical Warnings Against Practicing Astrology

The ancient practice of astrology presents several dangers of which believers should be cautious.

With a resurgence in divination and occultic practices, Christians must be on guard against such things or else they open a spiritual door that allows evil spirits into their lives.

Here are five biblical warnings against the practice of astrology:

Astrology is the worship of false gods and goddesses

The belief in astrology is rooted in ancient mythology, which involves the worship of false gods and goddesses. In the Bible, God commands His people to have no other gods before Him and to worship Him alone (Exod. 20:3). Engaging in astrology, which is based on the worship of these figures, goes against this commandment.

 There is a god or goddess attached to every sign of the zodiac, and when engaged in astrology, practitioners are giving themselves over to the power of these ancient spirits.

In his current book, *The Return of the Gods*, Rabbi Jonathan Cahn warned the world about the invasion of pagan gods and goddesses into America. The spiritual battle that has manifested itself in American society is so apparent that non-Christians are recognizing the evils taking place in modern culture. From child mutilation to hostility toward any mention of Jesus Christ, the deities that were formerly worshipped in the pagan world are very real spirits, and are plaguing the world today.

Practicing astrology shows doubt in God's control

Astrology relies on divination and the belief that the positioning of celestial bodies can reveal information about a person's future and personality. This is in direct contradiction to Christian belief in a sovereign God who has complete control over the future (Isa. 46:9-10). Christians are called to trust in God's plan for their lives and seek His guidance through prayer and reading His Word, not through astrology.

Followers rely on the stars, not on God

Astrology promotes a form of self-focus and reliance on the stars rather than on God. It encourages individuals to look to the heavens for answers and direction instead of seeking God's will and guidance. In Matthew 6:33, Jesus tells His followers to seek first the kingdom of God and His righteousness, not to seek answers from the stars or astrology.

Astrology promotes fate, not free will granted by God

Another danger of astrology is that it can lead to a belief in fate or predetermined destiny. This disregards the importance of free will and personal responsibility. Christians believe that while God has a plan for their lives (Jer. 29:11), they still have the freedom to make choices and determine their own paths. Believing in astrology's predictions of fate can lead to a fatalistic mindset that undermines personal agency and accountability.

Astrology opens the door to other ungodly practices

Astrology is a form of spiritual deception. It may appear harmless or even entertaining, but it opens the door to occult practices and beliefs. The Bible strictly warns against engaging in any form of divination, sorcery or witchcraft (-12). By delving into astrology, individuals risk dabbling in these occult practices and inviting spiritual influence that

is not aligned with God's truth.

There are punishments for practices such as this. King Saul sought divination at the hands of the medium of Endor, and it is one of the reasons listed in the Word of God as why he was removed as king and eventually killed (1 Chron. 10:13-14).

While the world misrepresents this practice as harmless, and in many cases as an alternate truth, Christians must see the spiritual reality of this snare.

As a trap of Satan, astrology presents itself as spiritual bear-trap wrapped in fun and innocence. These types of deceptions are why the apostle Peter wrote in 1 Peter 5:8: "Be sober-minded; be watchful. Your adversary the devil prowls around like a roaring lion, seeking someone to devour."

Satan will not stop coming after humanity until he is defeated forever by the Lord Jesus Christ. Until then, Christians must stand in the gap and shine the light of truth on his machinations intended to pull people away from God. {eoa}

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