

BEWARE OF THE CLAIMS OF MODERN SPIRITUALISM!

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ONLY GOD IS IMMORTAL: -

1 Timothy 1:17: - "Now unto **the King eternal, immortal, invisible, the only wise God**, [be] honour and glory for ever and ever. Amen."

1 Timothy 6:14 - 16: - "That thou keep [this] commandment without spot, unrebukeable, until the appearing of our Lord Jesus Christ: Which in his times he shall show, [who is] the blessed and only Potentate, **the King of kings, and Lord of lords; Who only hath immortality**, dwelling in the light which no man can approach unto; whom no man hath seen, nor can see: to whom [be] honour and power everlasting. Amen."

GOD WARNED ADAM THAT IF HE DISOBEYED HIS EXPRESS COMMAND, HE WOULD DIE: -

Genesis 2:16 & 17: - "**And the LORD God commanded the man**, saying, Of every tree of the garden thou mayest freely eat: **But of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil, thou shalt not eat of it: for in the day that thou eatest thereof thou shalt surely die.**"

OUR FIRST PARENTS DISOBEYED GOD'S COMMAND AND LISTENED TO THE SERPENT'S LIE: -

Genesis 3:1 - 6: - "Now the serpent was more subtil than any beast of the field which the LORD God had made. And he said unto the woman, Yea, hath God said, Ye shall not eat of every tree of the garden? And the woman said unto the serpent, We may eat of the fruit of the trees of the garden: But of the fruit of the tree which is in the midst of the garden, God hath said, Ye shall not eat of it, neither shall ye touch it, lest ye die. **And the serpent said unto the woman, Ye shall not surely die: For God doth know that in the day ye eat thereof, then your eyes shall be opened, and ye shall be as gods, knowing good and evil.** And when **the woman** saw that the tree was good for food, and that it was pleasant to the eyes, and a tree to be desired to make one wise, **she took of the fruit thereof, and did eat, and gave also unto her husband with her; and he did eat.**"

THE SERPENT WAS SATAN WHO IS THE FATHER OF LIES: -

2 Corinthians 11:3: - "But I fear, lest by any means, **as the serpent beguiled Eve through his subtilty**, so your minds should be corrupted from the simplicity that is in Christ."

Revelation 12:9: - "And the great dragon was cast out, **that old serpent, called the Devil, and Satan, which deceiveth the whole world:** he was cast out into the earth, and his angels were cast out with him."

John 8:44: - "Ye are of your father **the devil**, and the lusts of your father ye will do. He was a murderer from the beginning, **and abode not in the truth, because there is no truth in him. When he speaketh a lie, he speaketh of his own: for he is a liar, and the father of it.**"

☞ The Serpent was the one who promised Eve that she would not die if she disobeyed God's express Command. Satan preached the first sermon ever made on the natural immortality of the soul.

GOD PRONOUNCED THE SENTENCE OF DEATH AND CORRUPTION UPON OUR FIRST PARENTS: -

Genesis 3:17 - 19: - "And unto Adam he said, Because thou hast hearkened unto the voice of thy wife, and hast eaten of the tree, of which I commanded thee, saying, Thou shalt not eat of it: cursed is the ground for thy sake; in sorrow shalt thou eat of it all the days of thy life; Thorns also and thistles shall it bring forth to thee; and thou shalt eat the herb of the field; In the sweat of thy face shalt thou eat bread, **till thou return unto the ground; for out of it wast thou taken: for dust thou art, and unto dust shalt thou return.**"

GOD DENIED FALLEN MANKIND ACCESS TO EAT FROM THE TREE OF LIFE – HENCE WE CANNOT LIVE FOREVER: -

Genesis 3:22 - 24: - "And the LORD God said, Behold, the man is become as one of us, to know good and evil: and now, **lest he put forth his hand, and take also of the tree of life, and eat, and live for ever:** Therefore the LORD God sent him forth from the garden of Eden, to till the ground from whence he was taken. **So he drove out the man; and he placed at the east of the garden of Eden Cherubims, and a flaming sword which turned every way, to keep the way of the tree of life.**"

WE ARE ALL MORTAL AND SUBJECT TO DEATH: -

Job 4:17: - "Shall mortal man be more just than God? shall a man be more pure than his maker?"

Psalms 22:29: - "All they that be fat upon earth shall eat and worship: all they that go down to the dust shall bow before him: **and none can keep alive his own soul.**"

Psalms 49:7 - 9: - "None [of them] can by any means redeem his brother, nor give to God a ransom for him: (For the redemption of their soul [is] precious, and it ceaseth for ever:) **That he should still live for ever, [and] not see corruption.**"

Romans 2:7: - "To them who by patient continuance in well doing **seek for glory and honour and immortality, eternal life.**"

Romans 5:12: - "Wherefore, as by one man sin entered into the world, and death by sin; **and so death passed upon all men, for that all have sinned.**"

Hebrews 9:27: - "And as it is appointed unto men once to die, but after this the judgment."

THE BIBLE TEACHES THAT DEATH IS A STATE OF UNCONSCIOUS SLEEP WITH THE DEAD KNOWING NOTHING: -

Job 7:21: - “And why dost thou not pardon my transgression, and take away mine iniquity? **for now shall I sleep in the dust; and thou shalt seek me in the morning, but I shall not be.**”

Job 14:12 - 14: - “**So man lieth down, and riseth not: till the heavens be no more, they shall not awake, nor be raised out of their sleep.** O that thou wouldest hide me in the grave, that thou wouldest keep me secret, until thy wrath be past, that thou wouldest appoint me a set time, and remember me! **If a man die, shall he live again? all the days of my appointed time will I wait, till my change come.**”

Job 17:13 - 16: - “**If I wait, the grave is mine house:** I have made my bed in the darkness. I have said to corruption, Thou art my father: to the worm, Thou art my mother, and my sister. And where is now my hope? as for my hope, who shall see it? **They shall go down to the bars of the pit, when our rest together is in the dust.**”

Psalms 6:5: - “**For in death there is no remembrance of thee: in the grave who shall give thee thanks?**”

Psalms 115:17: - “**The dead praise not the LORD, neither any that go down into silence.**”

Psalms 146:3 & 4: - “Put not your trust in princes, nor in the son of man, in whom there is no help. **His breath goeth forth, he returneth to his earth; in that very day his thoughts perish.**”

Ecclesiastes 9:5, 6 & 10: - “For the living know that they shall die: **but the dead know not any thing,** neither have they any more a reward; for the memory of them is forgotten. **Also their love, and their hatred, and their envy, is now perished; neither have they any more a portion for ever in any thing that is done under the sun.** ... Whatsoever thy hand findeth to do, do it with thy might; **for there is no work, nor device, nor knowledge, nor wisdom, in the grave, whither thou goest.**”

John 11:11 - 14: - “These things said he: and after that he saith unto them, **Our friend Lazarus sleepeth; but I go, that I may awake him out of sleep.** Then said his disciples, Lord, if he sleep, he shall do well. **Howbeit Jesus spake of his death:** but they thought that he had spoken of taking of rest in sleep. **Then said Jesus unto them plainly, Lazarus is dead.**”

Acts 2:29 & 34: - “Men and brethren, let me freely speak unto you of **the patriarch David, that he is both dead and buried, and his sepulchre is with us unto this day.** ... **For David is not ascended into the heavens:** but he saith himself, The LORD said unto my Lord, Sit thou on my right hand.”

THE BIBLE STATES IT PLAINLY, THAT THE DEAD CANNOT RETURN TO THE LIVING: -

2 Samuel 12:22 & 23: - “And he said, While the child was yet alive, I fasted and wept: for I said, Who can tell whether GOD will be gracious to me, that the child may live? **But now he is dead, wherefore should I fast? can I bring him back again? I shall go to him, but he shall not return to me.**”

Job 7:9 & 10: - “As the cloud is consumed and vanisheth away: **so he that goeth down to the grave shall come up no more. He shall return no more to his house, neither shall his place know him any more.**”

Job 10:20 - 22: - “Are not my days few? cease then, and let me alone, that I may take comfort a little, **before I go whence I shall not return, even to the land of darkness and the shadow of death;** A land of darkness, as darkness itself; and **of the shadow of death,** without any order, and where the light is as darkness.”

Job 16:22: - "When a few years are come, **then I shall go the way whence I shall not return.**"

THE BIBLE HAS WARNED US AGAINST BEING DECEIVED BY THE CLAIMS OF SPIRITUALISM: -

Leviticus 19:31: - "**Regard not them that have familiar spirits, neither seek after wizards, to be defiled by them: I am the LORD your God.**"

Leviticus 20:6: - "And the soul that turneth after such as have familiar spirits, and after wizards, to go a whoring after them, I will even set my face against that soul, and will cut him off from among his people."

Leviticus 20:27: - "**A man also or woman that hath a familiar spirit, or that is a wizard, shall surely be put to death: they shall stone them with stones: their blood shall be upon them.**"

Deuteronomy 18:9 - 12: - "When thou art come into the land which the LORD thy God giveth thee, thou shalt not learn to do after the abominations of those nations. **There shall not be found among you any one** that maketh his son or his daughter to pass through the fire, or that useth divination, or an observer of times, or an enchanter, **or a witch, or a charmer, or a consulter with familiar spirits, or a wizard, or a necromancer. For all that do these things are an abomination unto the LORD:** and because of these abominations the LORD thy God doth drive them out from before thee."

WE HAVE THE WARNING EXAMPLE OF KING SAUL'S FATE: -

1 Samuel 28:3 - 19: - "**Now Samuel was dead, and all Israel had lamented him, and buried him in Ramah, even in his own city. And Saul had put away those that had familiar spirits, and the wizards, out of the land.** And the Philistines gathered themselves together, and came and pitched in Shunem: and Saul gathered all Israel together, and they pitched in Gilboa. And when Saul saw the host of the Philistines, he was afraid, and his heart greatly trembled. **And when Saul enquired of the LORD, the LORD answered him not, neither by dreams, nor by Urim, nor by prophets.** Then said Saul unto his servants, Seek me a woman that hath a familiar spirit, that I may go to her, and enquire of her. And his servants said to him, Behold, there is a woman that hath a familiar spirit at Endor. And Saul disguised himself, and put on other raiment, and he went, and two men with him, and they came to the woman by night: and he said, I pray thee, divine unto me by the familiar spirit, and bring me him up, whom I shall name unto thee. And the woman said unto him, **Behold, thou knowest what Saul hath done, how he hath cut off those that have familiar spirits, and the wizards, out of the land:** wherefore then layest thou a snare for my life, to cause me to die? And Saul sware to her by the LORD, saying, As the LORD liveth, there shall no punishment happen to thee for this thing. Then said the woman, Whom shall I bring up unto thee? And he said, Bring me up Samuel. And when the woman saw Samuel, she cried with a loud voice: and the woman spake to Saul, saying, Why hast thou deceived me? for thou art Saul. And the king said unto her, Be not afraid: for what sawest thou? And the woman said unto Saul, I saw gods ascending out of the earth. And he said unto her, **What form is he of? And she said, An old man cometh up; and he is covered with a mantle. And Saul perceived that it was Samuel,** and he stooped with his face to the ground, and bowed himself. And Samuel said to Saul, Why hast thou disquieted me, to bring me up? And Saul answered, I am sore distressed; for the Philistines make war against me, **and God is departed from me, and answereth me no more, neither by prophets, nor by dreams: therefore I have called thee, that thou mayest make known unto me what I shall do.** Then said Samuel, Wherefore then dost thou ask of me, seeing the LORD is departed from thee, and is become thine enemy? And the LORD hath done to him, as he spake by me: for the LORD hath rent the kingdom out of thine hand, and given it to thy neighbour, even to David: Because thou obeyedst not the voice of the LORD, nor executedst his fierce wrath upon Amalek, therefore hath the

LORD done this thing unto thee this day. Moreover the LORD will also deliver Israel with thee into the hand of the Philistines: and to morrow shalt thou and thy sons be with me: the LORD also shall deliver the host of Israel into the hand of the Philistines.”

1 Chronicles 10:13 & 14: - “So **Saul died** for his transgression which he committed against the LORD, even against the word of the LORD, which he kept not, and also **for asking counsel of one that had a familiar spirit, to enquire of it; and enquired not of the LORD: therefore he slew him,** and turned the kingdom unto David the son of Jesse.”

THE SPIRITS OF DEVILS WILL BE ACTIVE IN THE LAST DAYS: -

Matthew 24:23 - 26: - “Then if any man shall say unto you, Lo, here is Christ, or there; believe it not. **For there shall arise false Christs, and false prophets, and shall shew great signs and wonders; insomuch that, if it were possible, they shall deceive the very elect.** Behold, I have told you before. Wherefore if they shall say unto you, Behold, he is in the desert; go not forth: behold, he is in the secret chambers; believe it not.”

2 Thessalonians 2:9 - 12: - “**Even him, whose coming is after the working of Satan with all power and signs and lying wonders, and with all deceivableness of unrighteousness in them that perish;** because they received not the love of the truth, that they might be saved. **And for this cause God shall send them strong delusion, that they should believe a lie:** That they all might be damned who believed not the truth, but had pleasure in unrighteousness.”

1 Timothy 4:1: - “Now the Spirit speaketh expressly, **that in the latter times some shall depart from the faith, giving heed to seducing spirits, and doctrines of devils.**”

Revelation 13:13 & 14: - “And he doeth great wonders, so that he maketh fire come down from heaven on the earth in the sight of men, **and deceiveth them that dwell on the earth by the means of those miracles which he had power to do in the sight of the beast;** saying to them that dwell on the earth, that they should make an image to the beast, which had the wound by a sword, and did live.”

Revelation 16:13 & 14: - “And I saw **three unclean spirits like frogs** come out of the mouth of the dragon, and out of the mouth of the beast, and out of the mouth of the false prophet. **For they are the spirits of devils, working miracles, which go forth unto the kings of the earth and of the whole world, to gather them to the battle of that great day of God Almighty.**”

OUR ONLY PROTECTION AGAINST BEING DECEIVED: -

Isaiah 8:19 & 20: - “And when they shall say unto you, **Seek unto them that have familiar spirits, and unto wizards that peep, and that mutter:** should not a people seek unto their God? for the living to the dead? **To the law and to the testimony: if they speak not according to this word, it is because there is no light in them.**”