

Leviticus 20:27 **Death penalty for Witchcraft**

27 'A man or a woman who is a medium, or who has familiar spirits, shall surely be put to death; they shall stone them with stones. Their blood shall be upon them.' " NKJV

Facts Revealed:

- ✧ God has been against witchcraft of every sort from the beginning because it causes people to look to pretenders instead of looking to God alone.
- ✧ God said that the people prostitute themselves with them, which defiles the people. [Leviticus 19:31, 20:6]
- ✧ Therefore God prescribes the death penalty against anyone who practices any form of witchcraft. [Exodus 22:18, Leviticus 20:6, 20:27]
- ✧ When God brought the plagues against Egypt as He judged Egypt for her idolatry, the first form of idolatry addressed was their trust in sorcerers and magicians.
 - ◇ The magicians of Egypt were able to add to the first sign and the first two plagues which encouraged Pharaoh to harden his heart, but they were not able to remove them. [Exodus 7:11, 22, 8:7]
 - ◇ The magicians were unable to duplicate or add to the third and following plagues, and they confessed that they were done by the finger of God alone. [Exodus 8:18-19]
- ✧ Balaam who attempted to curse Israel, but was rebuked by God, and later was killed, used divination and sorcery. [Numbers 23:23, 24:1, 31:1-20, Deuteronomy 23:3-6, Joshua 13:22, 2 Peter 2:12-17, Revelation 2:14]
- ✧ God continued to forbid any form of witchcraft [Deuteronomy 18:10-11, Micah 5:12]
- ✧ Samuel told Saul that rebellion is as the sin of witchcraft and stubbornness as iniquity and idolatry. [1 Samuel 15:23]
- ✧ Examples of witchcraft and the problems it brought into the land of Israel: [1 Samuel 28:1-25, 2 Kings 9:22, 17:1-18, 21:1-9, 23:24, 1 Chronicles 10:13-14, 2 Chronicles 33:1-9, Isaiah 8:19, 19:2-4, Jeremiah 27:9-10, Ezekiel 13:17-23, Daniel chapters 1 through 5, Micah 5:12, Nahum 3:1-5, Malachi 3:5, Acts 8:9-13, 13:6-12, 19:19, Revelation 9:21, 18:23]
- ✧ God challenges the people who practice witchcraft: [Isaiah 47:1-15]
- ✧ Sorceries are also included in the list of the fruits of the flesh. [Galatians 5:19-21]
- ✧ And God clearly bars them from the New Heaven and New Earth, and New Jerusalem described in Revelation. [Revelation 21:8, 22:15]