

FAMILIAR SPIRITS Session 2

THE DECEPTION

Deception is always present in one's relationship with a familiar spirit. Usually, the one having a familiar spirit believes that his spirit companion is good rather than evil, or thinks that something beneficial will come out of that relationship.

He erroneously believes that the spirit is a true supporter who will provide him with helpful information. He may even believe that the familiar spirit is the Holy Spirit.



The person having a familiar spirit may not recognize that it is a spirit entity not from God with whom he is having a relationship.



He may believe that he has contacted God's spiritual realm



He may be ensnared, not because he is seeking something evil, but because he is seeking something good in a wrong way.

NECROMANCY



Necromancy, a supposed communication with the dead, is a facet of the familiar spirit's operation. Necromancy is an outright deception.



Rather than communicating with a particular person, the medium is in contact with a spirit familiar with that dead person.



The spirit is able to give information and produce manifestations that lead the necromancer to suppose that he has contacted the spirit of a certain dead person.

WHAT DRAWS A PERSON INTO INVOLVEMENT WITH FAMILIAR SPIRITS?

- ▶ **The appeal of the occult is usually either curiosity or a desire for that which is hidden.**
- ▶ **One may have fascination with the supernatural, but may not know how to differentiate between the supernatural realm of God and that of Satan.**
- ▶ **Almost everyone wants to know what the future holds in store. It is easy, therefore, to be drawn into a scheme that claims to hold the key to knowing the unknown.**

WHAT IS A FAMILIAR SPIRIT?

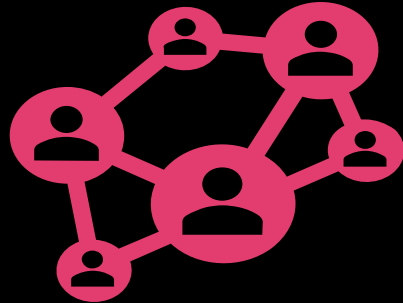
A quick Google search will turn up definitions related to mediums and sorcerers who call upon spirits of people who have died. Some sources say that familiar comes from the Latin word *familiaris*, which means “household servant,” and the idea behind the term familiar spirits is that sorcerers and mediums can summon these obedient demonic servants upon command

Other definitions say the spirits summoned by mediums are called “familiar” because people recognize them as a person who used to be alive, someone familiar to them.

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- ▶ In the book *The Demon Dictionary*, Kimberly Daniels explain that “there are two kinds of familiar spirits:
 - ▶ 1. A family demon or bloodline curse; also a spirit associated with becoming too common with a person, place, or thing.
 - ▶ 2. Witchcraft that works through divination. This spirit works through mediums and operates as a counterfeit holy spirit.”
 - ▶ 3. A familiar spirit is any demonic assignment that surveys and studies people, territories, and bloodlines of families.

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The goal of these spirits' assignment is to gather spiritual intelligence that will open doors to instigate death and destruction. They enter and gain power in people's lives by disguising themselves as something common (familiar) while operating unawares through people, places, and things.



Familiar spirits operate in a twofold manner.

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A person can willfully form a relationship with a familiar spirit oftentimes simply through ignorance (unawares). That's because deception is always part of the equation.



When someone with a familiar spirit doesn't realize he has formed a relationship with a spiritual entity, he might assume his experiences are coming from his being born with a veil over their head.



This is why it's critical to know what you are inviting into your home and heart.

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A Christian with a familiar spirit might think that he has connected with God in the spirit realm, but he is deceived—not because he is pursuing something demonic but because he is seeking something godly in the wrong way (through his mind or soul instead of his spirit).

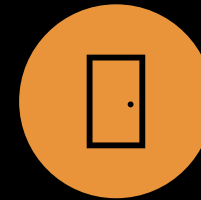
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Leviticus 10:10–11 instructs the Levites to teach people the difference between what is holy and what is common. Putting it in simple terms, holiness is that which has been consecrated or separated unto God. In the society we live in today, holiness is unusual; it sticks out as different and rare.



Matthew 7:13–14
The New Testament puts it this way:



“Enter through the narrow gate. For wide is the gate and broad and easy to travel is the path that leads the way to destruction and eternal loss, and there are many who enter through it. But small is the gate and narrow and difficult to travel is the path that leads the way to [everlasting] life, and there are few who find it.”
Matthew 7:13-14



The definition of common is something everyone does with regular occurrence to the point that it is socially acceptable. It's something familiar. The way of the familiar is popular—the latest fad, politically correct bandwagon, or thing that everybody does and never second-guesses. Its power is in obscurity, deception, and disguise.

Familiar spirits can be transferred (conveyed or passed) in three basic ways:

- 1. From person to person
- 2. From objects to people
- 3. From places to people

Rebellion and disobedience are two of the most common ways people open doors for spirits to be transferred to them.

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- ▶ **Again, familiar spirits operate through people, places, or things. In other words, the enemy will use any body, object, or territory that is accessible or available for him to operate through. Once things are transmitted, they have the opportunity to be received. Once they are received, the enemy has gained access, or room.¹**