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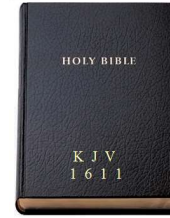
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Study to shew thyself approved unto God" (2 Tim 2:15)

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Mystery, Babylon The Great

In their perfection.

- × PERFECTION= “the state of being complete or whole; the state of nothing requisite in wanting; entire; fully mature; finished”
- × The daughter of Babylon boasts that she will never be a widow or know the loss of children but the Lord says both will CERTAINLY and COMPLETELY happen

For the multitude of thy sorceries.

- × The daughter of Babylon ACTS like her mother by engaging in SORCERIES

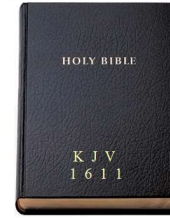
Isa 47:9,12

9 But these two *things* shall come to thee in a moment in one day, the loss of children, and widowhood: they shall come upon thee in their perfection for the multitude of **thy sorceries**, and for the great abundance of thine enchantments.

12 Stand now with thine enchantments, and with the multitude of **thy sorceries**, wherein thou hast laboured from thy youth; if so be thou shalt be able to profit, if so be thou mayest prevail.

Isa 57:3

But draw near hither, **ye sons of the sorceress**, **the seed of** the adulterer and **the whore**.

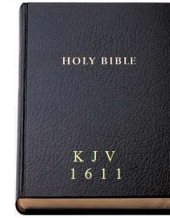


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Rev 18:23

And the light of a candle shall shine no more at all in thee; and the voice of the bridegroom and of the bride shall be heard no more at all in thee: for thy merchants were the great men of the earth; for by thy sorceries were all nations deceived.

- × One of the reasons for the judgment of the daughter of Babylon is her SORCERIES and ENCHANTMENTS
- × SORCERY appears 15x (3 x 5 = # of DEATH) in 5 forms (sorcerer; sorcerers; sorceress; sorceries; and sorcery)
 - SORCERERS are FALSE PROPHETS (Acts 13:6) and are associated with WISE MEN, MAGICIANS, DIVINERS, DREAMERS, ENCHANTERS, ASTROLOGERS, and CHALDEANS (Exo 7:11; Jer 27:9; Dan 2:2)
 - SORCERERS use ENCHANTMENTS (Exo 7:11)
 - SORCERERS seek to BEWITCH people (Acts 8:9), DECEIVE people (Rev 18:23), and TURN people FROM the Lord and salvation (Acts 13:8)
- × SORCERIES = Gr. *pharmakeia*; hence our word PHARMACY (i.e. - drugs)
- × SORCERY = “magic; enchantment; witchcraft; divination by the assistance of evil spirits, or the power of commanding evil spirits”

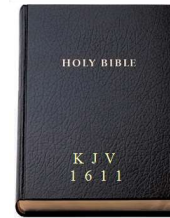


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- × Sorcery involves the use of POTIONS and SPELLS with the objective that, when the targeted victims (willingly or ignorantly) ingest the potion there is a TRANSFORMATION in their appearance, affection, attitude, or actions to comply with the will of the sorcerer/sorceress
- × Sorcery is anything (or anyone) that is used as an agent to turn someone from the Lord and the way of salvation
- × In *The Sorcerer's Apprentice* from Walt Disney's *Fantasia* (1940), Mickey Mouse is the Sorcerer's apprentice who is learning his master's craft but has not yet mastered control of the sorcery
- × Mickey has the chore of carrying water buckets to fill a cauldron so when the sorcerer takes off his cap and goes to take a nap, Mickey comes up with the idea of how to get out of doing the work himself
- × He dons his master's sorcery cap and casts a spell over a broomstick so that it animates and completes his chore for him (i.e.- when sorcery is applied, it changes the APPEARANCE and ACTIONS of the target to that which is desired by the sorcerer)
- × While things did not end well for Mickey in *The Sorcerer's Apprentice*, it is the "broomsticks" in real life that suffer most

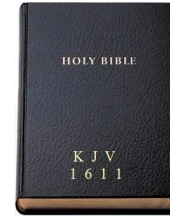
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- × To repeat, sorcery involves the use of POTIONS (i.e.- drugs) that have SPELLS (i.e.- devils invoked through enchantments) cast over them that, when applied (willingly or ignorantly) to the host, TRANSFORMS their appearance, affection, attitude, or actions to what the sorcerer/sorceress desires
- × By this definition, SORCERY is counterfeit of the SCRIPTURES
- × By this definition, any mind-altering or controlling addictive substance is part of SORCERY, including drugs and alcohol (i.e.- distilled “spirits”)
- × It also includes much, if not all, of the entertainment industry because godless music, movies, TV shows, video games, etc. all preach “doctrine” in order to turn people from the Lord and influence/dictate a change in their appearance, affection, attitude, and actions to that portrayed by the “entertainers” and “artists”
- × The message is often communicated by IMAGES of the actual entertainers, who eventually become the IDOLS of millions of DISCIPLES
- × What one nation, kingdom, or empire in history has produced and propagated more “sorcery” and bewitched more people than the USA, other than Rome (the mother) itself?