



BIBLE TALK

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Question: Is it wrong to trust in Astrology and acknowledge the "signs" of our birth date?

Answer: The Bible teaches that there are some serious conflicts with embracing Astrology and Christianity at the same time. Astrology was classified by God as a false religion similar to witchcraft and idolatry. These were commonly practiced by the Canaanites when God was preparing Israel to be led into their land by Joshua. God's warning to them was, "*When you come into the land which the LORD your God is giving you, you shall not learn to follow the abominations of those nations. There shall not be found among you anyone who makes his son or his daughter pass through the fire, or one who practices witchcraft, or a soothsayer, or one who interprets omens, or a sorcerer, or one who conjures spells, or a medium, or a spiritist, or one who calls up the dead. For all who do these things are an abomination to the LORD*" (Deut. 18:9-12).

God warns against trusting in Astrology (Isa. 47:12; Dan. 1:20; 2:27; 4:7, etc.). Following something as nebulous as the stars makes one vulnerable to misreads. We have no handbook from God for interpreting the stars. The reason for the warning is simple. God wants us to trust Him and Him alone (Heb. 11:6). Too many trust the stars to reveal the way they are to live or even cast blame upon the stars for their personal failures. Shakespeare had Cassius to say, "The fault, dear Brutus, is not in our stars, but in ourselves, that we are underlings" (Julius Caesar, Act. I). The only message told us by the stars is our insignificance (Ps. 8:3-4). "*The just shall live by faith*" (Rom. 1:17).

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