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Bible Study Summary Introduction Statement

The universal church is composed of all who truly believe in Christ, but in the last days, a time of widespread apostasy, a remnant has been called out to keep the commandments of God and the faith of Jesus. This remnant announces the arrival of the judgment hour, proclaims salvation through Christ, and heralds

the approach of His second advent. This proclamation is symbolized by the three angels of Revelation 14; it coincides with the work of judgment in heaven and results in a work of repentance and reform on earth. Every believer is called to have a personal part in this worldwide witness.

BIBLE STUDY

Spiritualism the Third Religious Power in the Babylonian Trinity

We have noticed that the Beast represents the Papacy and the False Prophet represents Apostate Protestantism in the United States of America. What religious movement does the Dragon represent?

Revelation 16:13 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**.

Revelation 12:3 And there appeared another wonder in heaven; and behold a great red **dragon**, having seven heads and ten horns, and seven crowns upon his heads.

Revelation 12:4 And his **tail** drew the **third** part of the **stars** of **heaven**, and did cast them to the earth: and the dragon stood before the woman which was ready to be delivered, for to devour her child as soon as it was born.

Revelation 1:20 The mystery of the seven **stars** which thou sawest in my right hand, and the seven golden candlesticks. The seven stars **are** the **angels** of the seven churches: and the seven candlesticks which thou sawest are the seven churches.

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.

Note: Primarily the Dragon represents the Devil and the stars are the angels, one third of whom he deceived in heaven, and where cast out with him to earth.

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Matthew 2:13 And when they were departed, behold, the angel of the Lord appeareth to Joseph in a dream, saying, Arise, and take the young child and his mother, and flee into Egypt, and be thou there until I bring thee word: for **Herod** will **seek** the young **child** to **destroy** him.

Matthew 2:14 When he arose, he took the young **child** and his mother by night, and departed into **Egypt**:

Matthew 2:15 And was there until the **death** of **Herod**: that it might be fulfilled which was spoken of the Lord by the prophet, saying, Out of Egypt have I called my son.

Matthew 27:22 **Pilate** saith unto them, What shall I do then with **Jesus** which is called Christ? *They* all say unto him, **Let** him be **crucified**.

Matthew t 27:23 And the **governor** said, **Why**, what **evil** hath he done? But they cried out the more, saying, **Let** him be **crucified**.

Matthew 27:24 When **Pilate** saw that he could prevail nothing, but *that* rather a tumult was made, he took water, and washed *his* hands before the multitude, saying, I am **innocent** of the **blood** of this just person: **see** ye *to it*.

Matthew 27:62 Now the next day, that followed the day of the preparation, the chief priests and **Pharisees** came together unto **Pilate**,

Matthew 27:63 Saying, Sir, we **remember** that that deceiver said, while he was yet alive, After three days I will rise again.

Matthew 27:64 Command therefore that the **sepulchre** be made **sure** until the third day, lest his disciples come by night, and steal him away, and say unto the people, He is risen from the dead: so the last error shall be worse than the first.

Matthew 27:65 Pilate said unto them, Ye have a **watch**: go your way, make *it* as **sure** as ye **can**.

Matthew 28:11 Now when they were going, behold, some of the **watch** came into the city, and shewed unto the chief priests all the things that were done.

Matthew 28:12 And when they were assembled with the elders, and had taken counsel, they gave large money unto the **soldiers**,

Matthew 28:13 Saying, Say ye, His disciples came by night, and stole him *away* while we slept.

Matthew 28:14 And if this come to the **governor's** ears, we will persuade him, and secure you.

Note: Pagan Rome was the agent used by Satan in his attempt to kill the baby Jesus in Bethlehem and was the authority that allowed the High Priest Caiaphas, Pharisees and religious leaders of the Jews to crucify Jesus.

Herod (**Hebrew**: הֵרֹדִים, *Hordos*, **Greek**: Ἡρῴδης, *Hērōidēs*), also known as **Herod I** or **Herod the Great** (born 71, 73 or 74 **BCE**, died 4 BCE in **Jericho**^{[2][3]}, according to other data, 1 BCE^{[1][4][5]}), was an **Edomite** Jewish **Roman client king** of the Roman provinces of **Judea**, **Galilee** and **Samaria** (present-day **Israel**).^[6]

Herod was born around 74 BCE.^[8] He was the second son of **Antipater the Idumaeen**, a high-ranked official under Ethnarch **Hyrcanus II**, and Cypros, a **Nabatean**.^[9] A loyal supporter of Hyrcanus II, Antipater appointed Herod **governor** of **Galilee** at 25, and his elder brother, **Phasael**, governor of Jerusalem. He enjoyed the backing of Rome but his excessive brutality was condemned by the **Sanhedrin**.

In 43 BCE, following the chaos caused by Antipater offering financial support to **Caesar's murderers**, Antipater was poisoned. Herod, backed by the Roman Army, executed his father's murderer.

After the **battle of Philippi** towards the end of 42 BCE, he convinced **Mark Antony** and **Octavian** that his father had been forced to help Caesar's murderers. After Antony marched into Asia, Herod was named **tetrarch** of Galilee by the Romans. However, as Herod's family had converted to Judaism, his religious commitment had come into question by some elements of Jewish society^[citation needed]. When the **Maccabean John Hyrcanus** conquered the region of Idumaea (the **Edom** of the **Hebrew Bible**) in 140–130 BCE, he required all Idumaeans to obey **Jewish law** or to leave; most Idumaeans thus converted to **Judaism**, which meant that they had to be **circumcised**.^[10] While King Herod publicly identified himself as a Jew and was considered as such by some,^[11] this religious identification was undermined by the decadent lifestyle of the **Herodians**, which would have earned them the antipathy of observant Jews.^[12]

Two years later **Antigonus**, Hyrcanus' nephew, took the throne from his uncle with the help of the **Parthians**. Herod fled to Rome to plead with the Romans to restore him to power. There he was elected "**King of the Jews**" by the **Roman Senate**.^[13] Josephus puts

this in the year of the [consulship](#) of [Calvinus](#) and [Pollio](#) (40 BCE), but [Appian](#) places it in 39 BCE.^[8] Herod went back to Israel to win his kingdom from Antigonus and at the same time he married the teenage niece of Antigonus, [Mariamne](#) (known as Mariamne I), in an attempt to secure a claim to the throne and gain some Jewish favor

[Article “Herod” Wikipedia encyclopedia](#)

Pontius Pilate (pronounced /ˈpɒntɪʃəs ˈpaɪlət/; [Latin](#): **Pontius Pilatus**, [Greek](#): Πόντιος Πιλάτος) was the fifth [Prefect](#) of the [Roman](#) province of [Judaea](#) from AD 26–36.^{[1][2][3]} The fifth Prefect of Judaea, he is best known as the judge at [Jesus' trial](#) and the man who authorized the [Crucifixion](#).

Pilate appears in all four [canonical Christian Gospels](#). In Matthew, Pilate washes his hands of Jesus and reluctantly sends him to his death.^[4] Mark, depicting Jesus as innocent of plotting against Rome, portrays Pilate as extremely reluctant to execute Jesus, blaming the Jewish priestly hierarchy for his death.^[4] In Luke, Pilate not only agrees that Jesus did not conspire against Rome, but [Herod Antipas](#), the tetrarch, also finds nothing treasonable in Jesus' actions.^[4]

[Article “Pontius Pilate” Wikipedia encyclopedia](#)

Note: Through the two great errors, the immortality of the soul and Sunday sacredness, Satan will bring the people under his deceptions. While the former lays the foundation of Spiritualism, the latter creates a bond of sympathy with Rome. The Protestants of the United States will be foremost in stretching their hands across the gulf to grasp the hand of Spiritualism; they will reach over the abyss to clasp hands with the Roman power; and under the influence of this threefold union, this country will follow in the steps of Rome in trampling on the rights of conscience

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What abomination is found in Pagan Rome and virtually all other Pagan Religions of the world that is found in the cup of the Harlot Woman who rules over Babylon?

Revelation 17:4 And the woman was arrayed in purple and scarlet colour, and decked with gold and precious stones and pearls, having a golden **cup** in her hand full of **abominations** and filthiness of her fornication:

Revelation 17:5 And upon her forehead *was* a name written, MYSTERY, **BABYLON** THE GREAT, THE **MOTHER** OF HARLOTS AND ABOMINATIONS OF THE EARTH.

Deuteronomy 18:10 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**,

Deuteronomy 18:11 Or a charmer, or a **consulter** with familiar **spirits**, or a **wizard**, or a **necromancer**.

Deuteronomy 18:12 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.

Note: The abominations mentioned above were so strongly condemned by the Lord because they claimed to communicate with the dead but in reality were communicating with the devil and his evil angels instead.

Necromancy (pronounced /'nekromænsi/; [Greek](#) νεκρομαντεία *nekromantía*, via Latin *necromantia*) is a form of [magic](#) in which the practitioner seeks to summon the [spirit](#) of a deceased person, either as an apparition or [ghost](#), or to raise them bodily, for the purpose of [divination](#).

[Article “Necromancy” Wikipedia encyclopedia](#)

How did the experience of Saul the first king of Israel demonstrate the dangers of communicating with evil angels that claim to be deceased people come back from the grave to help or give good advice?

- 1 Samuel 28:1** And it came to pass in those days, that the **Philistines** gathered their **armies** together for warfare, to **fight** with **Israel**. And Achish said unto David, Know thou assuredly, that thou shalt go out with me to battle, thou and thy men.
- 1 Samuel 28:2** And David said to Achish, Surely thou shalt know what thy servant can do. And Achish said to David, Therefore will I make thee keeper of mine head for ever.
- 1 Samuel 28:3** 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.
- 1 Samuel 28:4** And the **Philistines** gathered themselves together, and came and pitched in Shunem: and **Saul** gathered all Israel together, and they pitched in Gilboa.
- 1 Samuel 28:5** And when **Saul** saw the host of the Philistines, he was **afraid**, and his heart greatly trembled.
- 1 Samuel 28:6** And when Saul **enquired** of the LORD, the LORD **answered** him **not**, neither by dreams, nor by Urim, nor by prophets.
- 1 Samuel 28:7** 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.
- 1 Samuel 28:8** 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.
- 1 Samuel 28:9** 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?
- 1 Samuel 28:10** And **Saul** sware to her by the LORD, saying, *As* the LORD liveth, there shall no **punishment** happen to thee for this thing.
- 1 Samuel 28:11** Then said the woman, Whom shall I bring up unto thee? And he said, Bring me up **Samuel**.
- 1 Samuel 28:12** 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.
- 1 Samuel 28:13** 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**.
- 1 Samuel 28:14** 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.
- 1 Samuel 28:15** 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.

- 1 Samuel 28:16** Then said **Samuel**, Wherefore then dost thou ask of me, seeing the **LORD** is **departed** from thee, and is become thine enemy?
- 1 Samuel 28:17** 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:
- 1 Samuel 28:18** 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.
- 1 Samuel 28:19** 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 Samuel 28:20** Then **Saul** fell straightway all along on the earth, and was sore **afraid**, because of the words of Samuel: and there was no strength in him; for he had eaten no bread all the day, nor all the night.
- 1 Samuel 28:21** And the **woman** came unto **Saul**, and saw that he was sore **troubled**, and said unto him, Behold, thine handmaid hath obeyed thy voice, and I have put my life in my hand, and have hearkened unto thy words which thou spakest unto me.
- 1 Samuel 28:22** Now therefore, I pray thee, hearken thou also unto the voice of thine handmaid, and let me set a morsel of bread before thee; and **eat**, that thou mayest have strength, when thou **goest** on thy way.
- 1 Samuel 28:23** But he **refused**, and said, I will not eat. But his servants, together with the woman, compelled him; and he hearkened unto their voice. So he arose from the earth, and sat upon the bed.
- 1 Samuel 28:24** And the **woman** had a fat calf in the house; and she **hasted**, and killed it, and took flour, and kneaded *it*, and did bake unleavened bread thereof:
- 1 Samuel 28:25** And she brought *it* before **Saul**, and before his servants; and they did **eat**. Then they rose up, and went away that night.
- 1 Chronicles 10:1** Now the **Philistines** fought against Israel; and the men of **Israel** fled from before the Philistines, and fell down **slain** in mount Gilboa.
- 1 Chronicles 10:2** And the **Philistines** followed hard after **Saul**, and after his sons; and the Philistines slew Jonathan, and Abinadab, and Malchishua, the sons of Saul.
- 1 Chronicles 10:3** And the **battle** went sore **against** Saul, and the archers **hit** him, and he was wounded of the archers.
- 1 Chronicles 10:4** Then said **Saul** to his armourbearer, Draw thy sword, and **thrust** me through therewith; lest these uncircumcised come and abuse me. But his armourbearer would not; for he was sore afraid. So **Saul** took a **sword**, and **fell** upon it.
- 1 Chronicles 10:5** And when his armourbearer saw that **Saul** was **dead**, he fell likewise on the sword, and died.
- 1 Chronicles 10:6** So Saul **died**, and his three sons, and all his house died together.
- 1 Chronicles 10:7** And when all the men of Israel that *were* in the valley saw that they fled, and that **Saul** and his **sons** were **dead**, then they forsook their cities, and fled: and the Philistines came and dwelt in them.
- 1 Chronicles 10:8** And it came to pass on the morrow, when the Philistines came to strip the slain, that they found **Saul** and his sons fallen in mount Gilboa.
- 1 Chronicles 10:9** And when they had stripped him, they **took** his **head**, and his armour, and sent into the land of the Philistines round about, to carry tidings unto their idols, and to the people.
- 1 Chronicles 10:10** And they put his armour in the house of their gods, and fastened his head in the **temple** of **Dagon**.
- 1 Chronicles 10:11** And when all Jabeshgilead heard all that the **Philistines** had done to **Saul**,
- 1 Chronicles 10:12** They arose, all the valiant men, and **took** away the **body** of **Saul**, and the bodies of his sons, and brought them to Jabesh, and buried their bones under the oak in Jabesh, and fasted seven days.

1 Chronicles 10:13 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**;

1 Chronicles 10:14 And enquired **not** of the **LORD**: therefore he **slew** him, and turned the kingdom unto David the son of Jesse.

Would you like to trust in Jesus the resurrection and the life who will raise the Dead on the last day of this earth at the Second Coming of Jesus? Yes!

RESEARCH QUESTIONS

Who is the third member of the Babylonian Trinity that will unite in two abominations that is has in common with the Roman Catholic Church and the Protestant Churches of the United States of America? The Dragon

How many of the angels did Satan deceive into following him? One third

What symbol represents angels in the book of Revelation? Stars

Where did Satan and his angels come after they were cast out of heaven? To the earth

Who did the Dragon or Satan use to try and kill Jesus as a baby in Bethlehem? Herod

What empire was Herod working for? Rome

Who did Caiaphas and the Jewish leaders use to crucify Jesus? Pilate

Who did Pilate work for? Rome

So although the dragon primarily stands for Satan who was his agent to try attack and kill Jesus? Rome

Who is the foremost in reaching over to Rome in uniting the spiritual Babylon trinity? Protestants of America

What two great errors will unite all three of these world powers? The immortality of the soul and Sunday sacredness

Which great error bonds Protestant America with Spiritualism? The immortality of the soul

Which great error bonds Protestant America with the Roman Catholic Power? Sunday sacredness

What is the second great abomination that in mentioned in Deuteronomy 18:10-12? Those that practice 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.

What are all of these practices called in Deuteronomy 18:12? Abominations

Why are these practices so strongly condemned by God in the Scriptures? They all have to do with communicating with the so called dead which are in fact evil angels posing or pretending to be the departed dead

What did King Saul do under the direction of God and the Bible 1 Samuel 28:3? Put away those that had familiar spirits, and the wizards, out of the land.

Because Saul had departed from God and His counsel, would God answer him when he prayed for help against the Philistines 1 Samuel 28:6? No

So who did Saul foolishly decide to consult for advice in his battle against the Philistines 1 Samuel 28:7, 8? The witch of Endor

Who did Saul want to communicate with 1 Samuel 28:11? Samuel

Why couldn't Saul see or talk to Samuel 1 Samuel 28:3? Because he was dead

Why did God allow Saul to die in the battle against the Philistines 1 Chronicles 10:13? 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;

Was Saul really communicating with the Lord when he was asking counsel of Samuel through the witch of Endor 1 Chronicles 10:14? No