

The 17 Spiritual Errors and Dangers of Freemasonry

When I set out to investigate the secret Masonic society, I discovered a lack of easily obtainable first-source material that addresses the inner workings of the Lodge. In fact, most material considered sensitive by Masons has been removed from public access. After much searching and diligence, I've acquired hundreds of key volumes and thousands of articles -- including those written by Freemasonry's recognized authorities. Based on these sources, this offers accurate information on American Freemasonry.

Freemasonry Teaches	The Bible Teaches
1. Its deity, the "Great Architect of the Universe," can be worshipped by all men, whether they be Buddhists, Christians, Muslims, or Hindus, without controversy.	1. Only through Jesus Christ can God be worshiped (JOH 14:6; 1TI 2:5; 1 JOH 2:22,23).
2. A clue to the true identity of the Masonic Deity is given in the seventeenth degree of the Scottish Rite, or The Knights of the East and West. After the candidates have completed the initiation they are given the secret password, "Jubulum," and the Sacred Word, "Abaddon."	2. REV 9:11 teaches, "They [the demons and workers from hell] had a king over them, which is the angel of the bottomless pit, whose name in the Hebrew tongue is <i>Abaddon</i> " (emphasis added). One must ask, "How could any true Christian dare to take that evil name as a sacred word?"
3. The Freemasonry ritual, in the lower degrees, is concerned with the recovery of a lost word, presumed to be the name of God. It was supposedly lost through the murder of the architect, Hiram Abiff, during the building of Solomon's Temple. This quest is completed during the ritual of the Royal Arch Degree. It is here the secret name of the deity of Masonry is revealed. That name is Jahbulon. "Jah" is the short form of the Hebrew name of God, " <i>Yahweh</i> ," or "Jehovah." "Bul" is a rendering of the name Ba'al. "On" is the term used in the Babylonian mysteries to call upon the deity "Osiris."	3. What is presented as the god of Masonry is a three-headed monster very remote from the Christian Trinity. Anyone who would dare to pronounce its name in any ritual of worship is committing great blasphemy.
4. They don't acknowledge the unique Godhood of Jesus Christ, that He died for our sins, or that He rose from the dead.	4. The Bible teaches that Jesus Christ is truly God Almighty come in the flesh who died for our sins and rose again (JOH 1:1-14; COL 1:15; 2:9; 1CO 15:4).
5. The name of God is associated with pagan fertility gods such as Ba'al.	5. The Bible affirms the absolute holiness, separateness, and majesty of God's name (EXO 20:2-7; DEU 6:4; PSA 8:1; 29:2).
6. Members must swear oaths (on a Bible, in the name of God) that involve mutilation and murder of human beings.	6. The New Testament forbids the taking of oaths (MAT 5:34-37; James 5:12). The Bible forbids taking God's name in vain and committing murder (EXO 20:7,13).
7. Its members are linked in solemn, spiritual bondage to one another, irrespective of individual members' creeds.	7. The Bible forbids Christians from being "unequally yoked" with unbelievers (2CO 6:14-17; REV 18:1-4).
8. Its "valuable" truths must be bound under the most serious of secret oaths and be available only to a very few.	8. The Bible does not allow for such secrecy (MAT 10:26, 27; JOH 18:20; Acts 26:26).
9. Members should address their leaders with titles like "Worshipful Master," and kneel before them.	9. The Bible commands us to call no one master save Jesus (MAT 6:24; 23:8-10) and to worship none save God (MAT 4:10; REV 22:8, 9).
10. Members must be loyal and give their time, emotions, and spiritual energy to Masonry. They must contribute financially.	10. Freemasonry absorbs the loyalties, time, and emotional and spiritual resources, and finances of Masons away from the God-ordained tasks of the church, such as overseas missions, evangelism, and taking care of the poor to the glory of Jesus' name. (See MAT 6:1-3; 28:19; LUK 6:38; 9:62; Ephesians 5:15,16; James 1:27.)
11. Members are required to bow before the altars of strange gods. The higher order of the "Mystic Shrine," also requires a blood oath of submission sworn to the Islamic deity, Allah: "...and may Allah, the god of Arab, Moslem and Mohammedan, the God Of Our Fathers, support me to the entire fulfillment of the same, Amen, Amen, Amen."	11. This reveals the true nature of the Masonic god of the "Mystic Shrine." The Bible prohibits the believer from bowing down to <i>any</i> other gods. It is primary among the Ten Commandments (EXO 20:1-5).

12. The Holy Bible as the Word of God is no better or worse than any other holy book.	12. The Bible says it is truly the inspired Word of God (2TI 3:16; MAT 5:18; 1PE 1:25; PSA 119:89; 12:6,7; 19:7,8).
13. Man can be saved by his own labors without faith in Jesus' sacrifice on the cross.	13. The Bible teaches that a person can only be saved by grace, through faith in Christ (Romans 10:9,10; Ephesians 2:8,9).
14. Members don't need to be worried about the dangers of an everlasting hell.	14. The Bible is insistent and urgent in its warnings concerning the dangers of damnation (MAT 13:49, 50; 25:31-46; 2TH 1:7-9).
15. A Christian Mason is forbidden to witness Jesus Christ to his fellow Lodge members who are unsaved.	15. Jesus commands His church to preach the gospel to everyone (MAT 28:19; MAR 16:15).
16. The improvement of the natural man will, in turn, bring spiritual power.	16. The Bible teaches just the opposite (see 1CO 2:14; COL 2:8). Thus, Freemasonry perverts biblical truth by incorrectly guiding men by bad interpretation of vital spiritual terms (2PE 3:16).
17. Freemasonry presents a perverse form of communion that claims it is the chief [Masonic] symbol of man's ultimate redemption and regeneration. "The fraternal supper" is "of bread which nourishes, and of wine which refreshes and exhilarates, symbolical of the time which is to come, when all mankind shall be one great harmonious brotherhood... And thus, in the bread we eat, and in the wine we drink tonight may enter into and form part of us the identical particles of matter that once formed parts of the material bodies called Moses, Confucius, Plato, Socrates or Jesus of Nazareth. In the truest sense, we eat and drink the bodies of the dead; and cannot say that there is a single atom of our blood or body, the ownership of which some other soul might not dispute with us."	17. The Bible clearly describes communion as a symbolic act done in remembrance of Christ's death on Calvary for our ransom. Jesus said, "'Take this, and divide it among yourself: For I say unto you, I will not drink of the fruit of the vine, until the kingdom of God shall come.' And he took bread, and gave thanks, and brake it, and gave unto them, saying, 'This is my body which is given for you: this do in remembrance of me.' Likewise also the cup after supper, saying, 'This cup is the new testament in my blood, which is shed for you'" (LUK 22:17-20). Nowhere did Jesus mention Moses, Confucius, Plato, or Socrates.