

Renouncing Ancestor Veneration and Familiar Spirits

Scripture Foundation

Deuteronomy 18:11-12

“There shall not be found among you... a consulter with familiar spirits... For all that do these things are an abomination unto the Lord.”

Isaiah 8:19

“Should not a people seek unto their God? Why consult the dead on behalf of the living?”

1 Timothy 2:5

“For there is one God, and one mediator between God and men, the man Christ Jesus.”

Instruction

Pray this if you have prayed to ancestors, built altars for the dead, sought protection or guidance from departed relatives, or participated in rituals honoring ancestral spirits.

The Prayer

Father God,

I come before You in the name of Jesus Christ. I acknowledge that You alone are my source of protection, guidance, and covering.

I repent for any involvement in ancestor veneration, ancestral altars, libations, offerings, or rituals directed toward the dead. Your Word makes clear that we are not to consult the dead or seek guidance from familiar spirits.

Forgive me for any belief that my ancestors could guide me, protect me, or intervene in my life. Forgive me for participating in traditions that elevated the dead to a place that belongs to You alone.

I renounce every prayer made to ancestors.

I renounce every altar built in honor of the dead.

I renounce every offering, ritual, or spoken invocation directed toward departed spirits.

If any spiritual door was opened through these practices, I close it now in the name of Jesus Christ.

I declare that there is one mediator between God and man, and His name is Jesus Christ.

I honor my family history, but I do not worship it. I respect my lineage, but I do not seek spiritual power from it.

My covering comes from the Lord. My help comes from the Lord. My inheritance is in Christ.

Cleanse my home and my life from any object, ritual, or practice connected to ancestral worship. Establish Your covenant over my household.

I belong to Jesus Christ alone.

In His name,
Amen.

Closing Declaration

There is one mediator, Jesus Christ.

I reject familiar spirits and ancestral worship.

My covenant and inheritance are in the Lord alone.

OVERTHROWING ALTARS