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2 Kings 21:1, "Manasseh was twelve years old when he became king, and he reigned fifty-five years in Jerusalem. His mother's name was Hephzibah."

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"abomination [a cause of hatred or disgust: COED]; detestable [deserving of intense dislike: COED]" Deut. 18:9, "When you come into the land which the LORD your God is giving you, you shall not learn to follow the <u>abominations</u> of those nations.

Deut. 18:10, "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,"

Deut. 18:11, "or one who conjures spells, or a medium, or a spiritist, or one who calls up the dead."

Deut. 18:12, "For all who do these things are an <u>abomination</u> to the LORD, and because of these <u>abominations</u> the LORD your God drives them out from before you."

Deut. 18:13, "You shall be blameless before the LORD your God."

Deut. 18:14, "For these nations which you will dispossess listened to soothsayers and diviners; but as for you, the LORD your God has not appointed such for you."

anan Poel, Soothsayer NKJV; witchcraft, NASB someone who foretells the future

nachash witchcraft (NKJV) divination (NASB), piel, to seek and give omens, to foretell

cashaph sorcery, someone believed to have magic powers

ob Gr: engastramuthos, a casting of the voice, as in ventriloquism

Deut. 32:17, "They sacrificed to demons, not to God, to gods they did not know, to new gods, new arrivals that your fathers did not fear."

- 1. He rebuilt the high places Hezekiah had destroyed.
- 2. He follows in the footsteps of Ahab and Jezebel by erecting altars to Baal and Asherah.
- 3. He worships the stars and the false gods associated with them.
- 4. He built altars to the false gods in the Temple to the Lord; he built altars for all the "host of heaven" in the two courts of the Temple.
- 5. He offered his son to Molech.
- 6. He practiced witchcraft.
- 7. He practiced various forms of divination.
- 8. He frequented mediums and spirits.

2 Kings 21:3, "For he rebuilt the high places which Hezekiah his father had destroyed; he raised up altars for Baal, and made a wooden image, as Ahab king of Israel had done; and he worshiped all the host of heaven and served them."

2 Kings 21:4, "He also built altars in the house of the LORD, of which the LORD had said, 'In Jerusalem I will put My name.'" 2 Kings 21:5, "And he built altars for all the host of heaven in the two courts of the house of the LORD."

2 Kings 21:6, "Also he made his son pass through the fire, practiced soothsaying, used witchcraft, and consulted spiritists and mediums. He did much evil in the sight of the LORD, to provoke Him to anger." 2 Kings 21:7, "He even set a carved image of Asherah that he had made, in the house of which the LORD had said to David and to Solomon his son, 'In this house and in Jerusalem, which I have chosen out of all the tribes of Israel, I will put My name forever;

2 Kings 21:8, "'and I will not make the feet of Israel wander anymore from the land which I gave their fathers—only if they are careful to do according to all that I have commanded them, and according to all the law that My servant Moses commanded them.'"