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Familiar Spirits

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Familiar Spirits.

In ancient times familiar spirits were sometimes referred to as animal guides that were believed to be supernatural entities that would assist witches and cunning folk in their practice of magic. According to the records of the time, they could appear disguised as an animal, or as a human or as humanoid (i.e., a being resembling a human in its shape), that could appear with vivid colour or as smoky ghosts with undefined forms.

When they served witches, they were often thought to be malevolent (i.e., evil, and malicious), and when working for cunning folk they were thought of as being benevolent (although this was not always the case). Amongst religious folk witches were often categorized as demons, while the cunning was more commonly thought of as sorcerers and false prophets.

During the Old Testament familiar spirits were believed to be:

- Supernatural entities or spiritual guardians that would protect or assist witches and cunning folk in their practice of magic.
- A spirit or demon that supposedly attends, obeys, and assists magicians, sorcerers, and witches.
- The spirit of a dead person invoked by a medium to advise or prophesy.
- A spirit or demon that serves or prompts an individual.

As the founder of Bible House of Grace, I would like to thank the many Christian scholars, commentators and theologians who have gone before me, and the many today, who have freely made available their works to enhance the knowledge of the Bible to all people worldwide. It is only with the help of these faithful writers that much of Bible House of Grace exists as it does today.
