

Can astrology provide information about future?

A lot of people read daily horoscopes. Should they take what they read seriously? Can astrology really provide information about our future?

In the Bible, Daniel 4:7 says, "At that time the magic-practicing priests, the conjurers, the Chaldeans and the astrologers were entering; and I was saying before them what the dream was, but its interpretation they were not making known to me."

Daniel 5:7, 8 says, "The king was calling out loudly to bring in the conjurers, the Chaldeans and the astrologers. The king was answering and saying to the wise men of Babylon: 'Any man that will read this writing and show me its very interpretation, with purple he will be clothed, with a necklace of gold about his neck, and as the third one



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in the kingdom he will rule."

"At that time all the wise men of the king were coming in, but they were not competent enough to read the writing itself or to make known to the king the interpretation."

The astrologers' lack of success at interpreting the king's dream and the writing is in line with Isaiah's prophecy at Isaiah 47:13, 14: "You have grown weary with the multitude of your counselors. Let them stand up, now, and save you, the worshippers of the heavens, the

lookers at the stars, those giving out knowledge at the new moons concerning the things that will come upon you.

"Look! They have become like stubble. A fire itself will certainly burn them up. They will not deliver their soul from the power of the flame."

Would we seek help with our future from someone who can't save himself from destruction? That doesn't seem like a good idea to me.

Are astrologers, psychics or other "conjurers" more successful today than in Bible times? A comedian once asked, "Why do you never see the headline, 'Psychic wins lottery'?"

Besides the inaccuracy of astrolo-

gers and psychics, there is another reason to avoid them, their printed material and their hotlines.

Deuteronomy 18:10-12 says, "There should not be found in you anyone who makes his son or his daughter pass through the fire, anyone who employs divination, a practitioner of magic or anyone who looks for omens or a sorcerer, or one who binds other with a spell or anyone who consults a spirit medium or a professional foreteller of events or anyone who inquires of the dead. For everybody doing these things is something detestable to God."

Rather than looking for help from the stars to know our future or attributing our successes and failures to them, the Bible says we are largely responsible for our own future.

Galatians 6:7 says, "Do not be misled: God is not one to be mocked.

For whatever a man is sowing, this he will also reap."

Deuteronomy 30:19, 20 says, "I do take the heavens and the earth as witnesses against you today, that I have put life and death before you, the blessing and the malediction; and you must choose life in order that you may keep alive, you and your offspring, by loving God, by listening to his voice and by sticking to him; for he is your life and the length of your days, that you may dwell upon the ground that God swore to your forefathers Abraham, Isaac and Jacob to give to them."

Just as the Israelites were responsible to choose to serve God or not, so are we, and our choice determines our future.

Romans 14:12 says, "So, then, each of us will render an account for himself to God."

We cannot control what others do, and those things that can affect us, and Ecclesiastes 9:11 says, "time and unforeseen occurrence befall them all."

But applying Bible principles, such as the words at Colossians 3:12-14, can help us with our lives now, and the Bible assures us that our eternal welfare is in God's hands.

Zephaniah 2:3 says, "seek God, all you meek ones of the earth, who have practiced His own judicial decision. Seek righteousness, seek meekness. Probably you may be concealed on the day of God's anger."

The probably depends on us. God sent His son to earth to die for mankind's salvation, showing how serious He is about saving us. Now it is up to us to follow His word and make the right choices.

Light showers were welcome relief

The cooler days and light showers we had last week were a welcome relief from the heat, and we have been having, but do pray for more



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of, the much-needed moisture.

Duane and Judy Headley's grandson, who was critically injured in a land mine explosion in Iraq, is back in the states. He will be in the hospital at least six months.

I'm sure he would enjoy getting cards from us. His address is SPC. Bryant, Sean, E.A.M.C., Building 300, Fort Gordon, Ga. 30905. He was a graduate of Brewster High School in 2000.

Marg Westover had 85 family members at the Thompson reunion. They all had a good time and had a picnic at Hunter Park on Saturday, Aug. 6.

We send out our sympathy to the Brian Somers family, Brian's mother, Lenora Somers of Goodland, died on Aug. 6.

The Thomas County Fair is behind us, and it sounds like the 4-H children did a great job. Congratulations to all of you. Now it's back to school Aug. 18. Where did the summer go?

Bruce and Donita Baird had a barbecue for Heath and J.R. Sunday evening. Most of her family from St. Francis was there. The boys will both be off to college in a few days.

Phil Garalla is an exchange student from Brewster. He is living with Phil and Sharron Knox and Timothy. He will be a junior at Brewster High School. Welcome to Brewster, Phil.

Becky and Don Luckert visited Tim and Lisa Hayes in Dubois, Wyo. Also visiting them were Verna Eby of Goodland and Skylar Eby of Sharon Springs. Verna is Becky's mother, and Skylar is her nephew.

John and Mark Luckert joined them all for the weekend. Shelby Steerman of Grainfield was also there.

Lorraine Bear died on Thursday, Aug. 11. Her funeral was on Tuesday at 10:30 a.m. Our sympathy goes out to that family also.

I understand The Grill will be re-opening in a few weeks with the Ross Cranston family running it. They will be renaming it RDC Steakhouse and Saloon.

Lawrence and Lila Mayer had a large turnout for their open house. After the open house, Lila surprised Lawrence with a 70th birthday party with many family and friends attending. And he was surprised.

Don't forget the hot dog and watermelon feed at Hunter Hall at 6:30 p.m. tonight.

My Dear Child, When you need wisdom, come to me. I will supply it generously. But when you come, come believing, not doubting. The tiniest doubt splits the sails on your vessel of faith.

How do you handle the doubts that plague you? First of all, don't pretend. Be forthright with me. If you do have doubts, you cannot hide them from me. For I know you.

Shine a flashlight on each small doubt that creeps, as an intruder, into your heart. Then ask me for help—for more faith. I will supply that too.

Learn to pray like this: "I do believe! Help me to believe more!" There is no need to be tentative or shaky. I am your God. I know your heart and can heal your doubts. I supply faith and wisdom and guidance at every crossroad in your life. Come believing! God Mark 9:23-24.

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The Lincoln Larks Family, Community and Education group decided to put up a display at the Northwest Kansas District Free Fair.

The display was on West Nile Virus. "What is West Nile Virus?" was the title of some leaflets to be picked up. Also, how you can prevent the virus, buzz on insect repellents and a home and garden maintenance checklist were available. These leaflets may be picked up at the Extension office if you missed them at the fair.

The club will also have this display during the National Family, Community and Education Week.

The club's next meeting will be in September.

We wish to thank the Extension office for all their help.

Submitted by Arbutus Topliff.

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Worship warms the heart

Calvary Gospel Church
Pastor: Rev. Steve Rains
Fourth & College • 899-3605
Sunday: Sunday School: 9:15 am
Morning Service: 10:30 am
Small Group Ministries
Wednesday: Prayer and Worship: 7:00 p.m.
Youth @ the Rock House: 7:00 p.m.

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4:30-5 pm Saturday or by appointment
Mass Schedule:
Saturday: 6 pm, Sunday: 10:30 am
Spanish Mass:
Sunday: 4 pm

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Minister:
Youth Minister:
Sunday: Worship Service: 9:30 am
Sunday School: 10:45 am
Wednesday:
Junior/Senior High Meeting: 7 pm
Adult & Children's Classes: 7 pm

**Word of Life
Foursquare Church**
10th & Clark • 899-5250
Pastor: John Coumerilh
Service Schedule:
Sunday: Worship Celebration
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Evening Service: 6 pm

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Pastor: Glenn Hermanson
Fifth & Broadway
890-7368
Sunday: Sunday School: 9 am
Morning Service: 10 am
Evening Service: 6:30 pm
Wednesday: Evening Bible Study: 7 pm

**Church of Jesus Christ
of Latter-Day Saints**
1200 15th Street • Burlington, CO
(719) 346-7984
Sacrament Meeting: 10 am
Sunday School: 11:15 am
Priesthood/Relief Society: 12 am

Iglesia Del Dios Vivo
La Luz Del Mundo
Spanish Speaking Church
Minister: Esteban Ortiz B.
1601 Texas • 899-5275
Daily Prayer: Sunday thru
Saturday: 5 am & 6 pm
Sunday: Sunday School: 10 am

**United Methodist Church
Brewster:**
Pastor:
Worship Service: 10:45 am CST
Sunday School: 9:45 am CST
Winona:
Minister: Rev. Bob Winters
Worship Service: 9 am CST
Sunday School: 10:15 am CST

**First Christian Church
(Disciples of Christ)**
Pastor: John Park Winkler
Eighth & Arcade • 890-5233
Sunday: Worship Service: 10:30 am
Sunday School: 9:15 a.m.
Activities: Junior High & High School Youth Groups,
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Pastor: Leonard Cox
399-2468
Sunday: Sunday School: 9 am
Worship Service: 10:15 am

Church of the Nazarene
Pastor: Bob Willis
Third & Caldwell
899-2080 or 899-3797
Sunday: Sunday School: 9:45 am
Worship Service: 10:50 am
Evening Service: 6 pm
Wednesday: Evening Service: 7 pm

First United Methodist Church
1116 Sherman
899-3631
Pastor: Rev. Janet Hernandez
Saturday: Informal Worship: 5:30 pm
Sunday: Sunday School: 9:15 am
Worship Service: 10:30 am

Goodland Bible Church
109 Willow Road • 899-6400
Pastor: Chad DeJong
Sunday: Sunday School: 9:30 am
Morning Worship: 10:45 am
Evening Worship: 6 pm
Wednesday: AWANA (Winter)
and prayer: 7 p.m.

First Baptist Church
Pastor: Travis Blake
Fifth & Center • 890-3450
Sunday: Sunday School for all ages:
9:15 am (Child care provided)
Morning Worship: 10:30 am
Wednesday: Bible study 7 p.m.
Call church for information
Thursday: Bible study 9:30 a.m.
Wheatridge Center

St. Paul's Episcopal Church
13th & Center
Church 890-2115 or Rectory 890-6969
Priest: Father Hal Lycett
Holy Eucharist: 10:00 a.m. Sunday
10:00 a.m. Thursday
Morning Prayer: 8:00 a.m. Wed. - Sun.
For emergencies Wed. - Sun. 890-6969
Sr. Warden for emergencies
Mon. and Tues. 890-3320

Grace Fellowship Church
104 E. Hwy 24 • 890-6423
Pastor:
Sunday: Sunday School: 10 am
Worship Service: 11 am

Seventh Day Adventist Church
1160 Cattletrail
Pastor: Jim Martin
Saturday: Sabbath School: 9:30 am
Worship Service: 11 am

Emmanuel Lutheran Church
13th & Sherman • 890-6161
Pastor: Scott Grimshaw
Sunday: Christian education/fellowship:
10:15 a.m.
Worship Service: 9 am
Wednesday: Confirmation: 6 pm

Church of Christ
401 Caldwell
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Sunday: Bible Study: 9:45 am
Worship Service: 10:45 am
Wednesday: Bible Study: 7 pm

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