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Elite 48

Pica 48

1 patronize those who claimed to have relations  
 2 with evil spirits, sought a woman with a famil-  
 3 iar spirit in order to learn the outcome of the  
 4 imminent battle with the Philistines. The woman  
 5 claimed to be able to bring back the spirits of  
 6 the dead. Saul asked her to bring up Samuel.  
 7 Verse 12 says, "And when the woman saw Samuel,  
 8 she cried with a loud voice: and the woman  
 9 spake to Saul, saying, Why hast thou deceived  
 10 me? for thou art Saul." The context would seem  
 11 to make it evident that the woman, accustomed to  
 12 pretending to bring up the spirits of the dead,  
 13 either through some fraud or because evil  
 14 spirits impersonated them, was surprised and  
 15 terrified when Samuel actually appeared. God  
 16 had chosen, in this one instance, to cause Sam-  
 17 uel's spirit to return in order to pronounce a  
 18 final judgment against Saul. It is a strange  
 19 episode, quite out of line with usual human  
 20 experience, but hardly such as to support the  
 21 description of the ecstasy of the prophets  
 22 quoted above.

23 Those describing the alleged ecstatic charac-  
 24 ter of the Hebrew prophets cite the fact that on  
 25 one occasion Elisha called for a minstrel before

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