Old Style Coniure

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There are a few people I would like to dedicate this book to. First and foremost my Mama, who was a wonderful mother and friend, to my cousin Tete who we lost this year, a good worker is gone.

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Warning

Warning

Any reader who uses the spells within this book does so entirely at their own risk. The author and publisher accept no liability if the spells do not have the desired effect or if adverse affects are caused.

This book is not suitable for children.

Introduction

Before we go any further in this writing I want to say something. Well actually a few things. I am by no means an authority on conjure work. I am just a plain ole worker! God has blessed me to be able to put my words on paper and to teach in order to help others learn. There are many other gifted teachers, writers, and workers out there. I've learned how to do the work from family and old folks I've met along the way, along with my own ability to understand the work. There are others who have also been taught by folks they have met or by family members. They may teach or work a little different than I do but it is basically all the same work. It really just depends on what area you come from.

If you gathered fifteen workers in a room and gave them work to do, I promise you none of them would do the work the same. Why, because we all come from different parts of the country and we all learned work from different folks. Then on top of all that we have added our own style to the work. We could all learn something new from each other if we sat down and talked for a while together. The best way to learn is to keep an open mind, to read all you can, take some classes and talk with other workers. Don't ever fall into the trap of thinking that one person has all the answers, they don't, myself included. Remember to expect to see folks who work different than you do or how you were taught. If we all worked the same there would be nothing to learn.

I'm a conjure woman plain and simple. I have done conjure work for over twenty-five years. Hoodoo is a folk magic that has survived many years. Since hoodoo is not a religion it has

always been practiced by a variety of people regardless of their race or religious background. Hoodoo places an emphasis on the magical power of herbs, roots and curios, used in the work and lacks links to any form of religion. Hoodoo can be adapted to many forms of religious worship. Hoodoo focuses on making one's life better; it focuses on the home and hearth, helping one in everyday living. The main concern of a conjure woman is blessing their homes and keeping the home peaceful, making sure their mate is faithful, drawing luck and much more. The way hoodoo achieves these things is by laying tricks or working the root. This is done through prayers, candles, lucky hands and other things. Also a large amount of oils, powders, and waters are used, along with different salts. There are many works which have been handed down orally through the ages.

Like many other types of folk magic, hoodoo attributes magical properties to herbs, roots, minerals, animal parts, and personal items. Although each generation adds its own twist to the work the heart of the work remains the same, a living testimony to the beliefs of those who came before us. Hoodoo does not require a lot of elaborate preparation, expensive tools or specialized knowledge. It also does not demand years of training in order to be successful. The most important tool you need is faith in yourself that your conjure work will work. Not I think it will, but I know it will. Some people view conjure work as nothing more than superstition, or the ancient remnants of an unenlightened past. To these folks I say, "Don't knock it until you have tried it."

To understand this type of magic you have to have an understanding of our ancestors who practiced it. If it seems too simple to be real, you have to understand, these were simple

down to earth people. They worked from daylight until dark; by the time the end of the day came they were too tired to do an elaborate ritual. Hoodoo was practiced in their everyday life from the way they swept their yards to the way they threw out old dishwater. So don't be fooled by the simplicity of this type of conjure work.

I just want to repeat myself here to make sure that it is understood, Hoodoo is not a religion. It is a practice of conjure. Most conjure workers are Christians but not all of them. This one point has caused many heated disagreements. The fact is most conjurers believe that the power of the roots, herbs, curios and the deployment of work is enough to make the job successful. It is the conjurer's <u>preference</u> to bring their religious backgrounds into the work. Conjure work is exactly what the name implies, to conjure something up.

Hoodoo doesn't have a set of rules to follow per se. We don't have a rede, rule of three or any of the other new age stuff that is out there. The worker is responsible for their own actions. What conjure work does have is a set of practices or maybe I should principles, that make it hoodoo. I think that this is very confusing to some people. Some old workers can be very harsh and out spoken when they feel that the principles of conjure work are not being followed. They also don't mind telling you that what you are doing is not Hoodoo, it is something else. I am going to try to explain why this happens. Some people when they come into Hoodoo are under the misconception that they can do the work any way they want to. They sure can but then it isn't Hoodoo it becomes something else; pretty confusing right?

This can happen because you did not follow the principles of Hoodoo. Even though all workers do the work different, they all follow basically the same guidelines. The psalm for instance is a strong part of Hoodoo, but not all workers use them. The holy bible is used in Hoodoo but all workers don't use it. Most workers use prayer in their work, but again some do not. If I were a new person trying to learn the right way to work Hoodoo I would be very confused by these statements. The reason the worker can decide not to use the above and the work will still be Hoodoo is because **Hoodoo is not a religion** it is a practice of conjure. Although these things are strongly imbedded in Hoodoo it is your choice if you choose to use them. So here is one principle of Hoodoo, you don't have to be Christian to practice Hoodoo. You can have any religious preference you want and still do conjure work.

So now we understand that anyone can be a root worker. The next question is what in the world are these principles I keep talking about and where do I find them. As I said earlier, there are certain ways of doing things that make up Hoodoo. You are not going to find much written about the principles. The principles consist of the deployment of the work, the belief that the roots, herbs, and curios hold their own power to get the job done. This also includes crossroad work, graveyard work, placing tricks in clothing, washes, bathes, spiritual waters, sweetening work and much more. I just want to touch on a few of these and I think you will get an idea of what I am trying to explain to you.

Depending on the work will depend on how you deploy your work. If you want to bring something or someone to you then your work would be placed inside your home. If you are doing love work then the work can be placed under your bed, mat-

tress, or at the head of your bed, under your door stoop or buried in your yard facing the East. All these places will bring the work to you. If I want to remove someone from me for whatever reason this type of work would be buried in the West, where the sun goes down, and it could also be taken to the crossroad, the graveyard, or to running water. Most workers use at least one of these methods to remove an unwanted person. The next question would be how to leave the work at these places.

You need to state your petition, and then you can either bury, or just leave your work at the crossroads or the graveyard. I was taught that when you leave your work in either the graveyard or the crossroads that you pay the spirit in order to leave your work. If it is graveyard work of any kind I pay three cents before I reach the gate, three cents at the gate, and pay to leave the work and then pay three more cents when I leave. This insures me that nothing will follow me out. When I leave my work at the crossroads, I ask the keeper of the crossroad to accept the work. I state my petition and pay three cents. Then either bury the work or leave it in the center of the crossroads. I then leave without looking back. If I throw my work in the running water I do it a little differently. I take my work to the running water and as I approach the water I say my petition, I also say that I am paying to leave the work. When I get to the water's edge I turn my back to the water, throw the work over my left shoulder, then I throw three pennies and leave without looking back.

For the last example let's discuss deploying a trick in someone's clothing or shoes. This is also a typical way to deploy tricks in conjure work. If you want to work on someone without them knowing it you can use oils, powders, and herbal

wash in their laundry. Let's say my spouse was cheating on me and I wanted him under my control. I didn't want to tie, I just wanted him to stop running around. The first thing I would do is get a handkerchief and tie up some roots and herbs that will do the trick while stating my petition, then add this to his laundry.

I would also dress his socks, shoes, and underwear with powders while stating my petition. Then I would dress the cap band of his cap that he wears every day with oil while stating my petition. All these things are principles of conjure work. This is what conjure work is, basically a set way of doing things. When you try to change these principles then the work you are doing is no longer conjure work. I know I have just touched on this subject, a whole book could be written about it. This is just to give you an idea about the principles of conjure work.

Most of the information about root work has been passed on by word of mouth from one family member to another, or through a worker who didn't mind sharing information. There is not a lot of written information out there except for the work gathered by Mr. Harry M. Hyatt. Mr. Harry Hyatt traveled the south talking to conjure workers and gathered thousands of pages of information, although Mr. Hyatt himself was not a worker, he was a retired minister. These books are out of print and hard to find, if you can find them they are very expensive. This is the only large work about conjure work that I am aware of. Below is my opinion of these works that Mr. Hyatt gathered.

Harry M. Hyatt

First I would like to say that Mr. Hyatt did a great thing by collecting all this information over the years and sharing it with us in his books. If he had not it would have been information lost for all times. I have a great respect for him and his works. As I see it though some of the works are useless, they just don't make sense. Old workers will know what works to pick out of this collection of books to use, it's the new workers I worry about. They don't know how the work should be done and don't know if it is possible for the job to work.

Another thing is that my family comes from South Carolina; my mama was born and raised there. I spent all my summers there growing up and eventually moved there in 1975. I worked in the tobacco fields and under the barn either handing and stringing tobacco with many black folks during my summer visits. My daughter was born at Florence General in Florence, SC in 1977. The point I am trying to make is I know the mindset of the blacks I was around, growing up in South Carolina at the time these interviews were done.

I for the life of me can't see black folks in that day and time telling some white man their business, even if he did have black guys as go between men. You have to understand that most of these blacks were share croppers or just worked for white folks. They did not share their lives with them or their business. I don't care what anyone says it just didn't happen. Even today if you talked to old folks there, unless they know you or your family you are not going to get much out of them.

We know that Hyatt was in contact with a lot of black folks at this time, I am not trying to dispute this. I'm sure they told him a lot of stuff back then for the money he offered for the information he was gathering. Times were hard back then, especially for poor folks. I also know for a fact coming from a family in the south that you kept your business at home, you didn't tell it out on the streets. I feel in my heart that some of these folks just made things up so they could have the money. The proof is in some of the work in the thousands of pages in his books. Some of it is just nonsense, and some of it is really true works. I would say that about 60% of those writings are junk. Common sense tells me this, along with what I know as fact.

If you decide to study his work and maybe use some of the works, please do research first. Ask old workers their opinion of the work. Let me give you an example of what I mean. I was taught that if you wanted to remove something from you that you threw it in running water. As the water flows it moves away from you. Common sense tells us this along with fact, we are taught this in school. I was in debate not too long ago about this subject. The whole thing started over a work someone bought from a worker to bring something or someone to them. I was taught to bring something or someone to you; you buried it in your yard facing the East or placed it by your front door near your front stoop. The sun rises or comes up in the East, so it will bring things to you.

The argument was that with the rise of the river it would bring whatever you needed to you. I disagree one hundred percent. Yes when the river rises it does bring to you, again common sense tells us this, but common sense also tells us that when the river goes down it will remove what came when it rose.

Then it was said, well you could make holes in the top of the jar or use a packet then throw it in and it will move a little ways then sink, common sense also tells us this is right but my question is where does this tell us that it will come back to us? If it sinks it isn't going anywhere, not to us or away from us, it will just sit there.

Let's look at another example that was brought up, this came out of one of the Hyatt works. This makes very good sense to me and I believe that it would work using the rise and the fall of a river. Why? Because of the push and pull of the water as it rises and falls. I'm just going to give the jest of the work. The work was done to harm someone. The worker makes a packet and places it on a dock by a string to hold it in place. When the water comes up the person being worked on gets no relief. Why? Because it is bringing the work to them but when the water goes down the work goes away for a while until the water rises again and the work is bought back upon the person.

My common sense tells me that this would work. It would be a long term work until I removed it or the string broke that was holding the jar or packet and the water removed it from the person. This idea of bringing something to you by using running water came out of the Hyatt books; to me it is just impossible. Some believe that because it came out of those books that it is the truth and that it will work. I personally would <u>NEVER</u> use running water to try to bring something to me. I just don't see how it would work without also removing it from me at the same point, as in when the river goes down.

As I said Hyatt was a great man for the work he has done, but he himself was NOT A WORKER. He wrote what other folks told him not from the experience of doing the work himself. You can take this advice or leave it; after all it is up to you how you work. Just please don't follow blindly along, use your common sense God gave you. If it doesn't sound right to you then don't do it, if you think running water will bring something to you then by all means try it. We all learn a lesson from our mistakes, sometimes they are big ones. Just use caution while you are trying to learn root work. Think for yourself! I want to repeat this statement; I am not by any means saying that all the work in the Hyatt books aren't good works, I'm asking you to use caution if you decide to buy these works as reference books. Some of those works are very valuable to the history of conjure work, but others are just plain laughable.

The Conjure Work

The First Step

The first step you should take before you proceed with any kind of Hoodoo is to take a cleansing bath. This bath will cleanse away any energy that you have picked up during the day. It will also help you to feel refreshed. There are as many different bathes as there are workers. You can ask half a dozen workers what cleansing bath they use and you will most likely get a half a dozen different answers. None of them are wrong, they all work. It depends on what works for you. I'm going to give you a couple of examples of the baths I take. You can use one of them or another that you choose to use. Just be sure to do the bath before you start your work. This is very important; also you need to cleanse yourself after you do a job. I was surprised by how many who are new to conjure work and didn't know that after a work you do a cleansing. If you are building any kind of energy then you are drawing things to you.

If I am doing what I call hard work, such as hotfoot work: I am not going to just go about my business without a good cleansing. I was taught anytime you do any work you cleanse yourself, even if the work is ongoing. You don't wait until the job is done, which sometimes can take up to nine days, depending on the work. I know that in this day and time we all have busy lives, but if we are going to do this type of work we need to keep ourselves cleansed.

Coffee Bath

For this bath you need a strong cup of black coffee, one cap of ammonia, one cap of vinegar, and a bowl of warm water. Mix everything together. Take it to your bathroom. You can pour this in your tub and soak in it or you can shower then pour it over your head. While doing this pray to your higher power that you will be cleansed. Its best to let yourself air dry but if you can't just lightly pat yourself dry. Since you have removed something from yourself you need to replace it. I anoint myself with success oil first, placing the oil on all major pulse points and the bottom of my feet. Then I come back and dust myself with protection powder, also dusting the bottom of my feet. I do this no matter what type of bath I am taking.

Candle and Salt Cleansing

For this bath you need a small white candle, a tea light will do. You need saltpeter, baking soda, and a couple of drops of Mrs. Smiths bluing. Take your candle and starting at the crown of your head wipe downward with it, while praying to your higher power to cleanse you. I do this three times. Light the candle, pray over your bath, then get in the bath and try to soak for at least ten minutes. Either air dry or lightly pat dry.

Egg Cleansing

Eggs make a wonderful cleansing tool. Get you an egg, let it reach room temperature. Wash the egg with Florida Water, let the egg air dry. Once the egg is dry, take a marker and write your birth name three times on the egg. Rub the egg over your body starting at the crown of your head to the

bottom of your feet. Make sure you cleanse the bottom of your feet moving from heel to toe. Getting in your bath, sit in the tub, place the egg on your lap and just relax. Continue with your petition to be cleansed. The egg will pull all the negative energy from you. When you fell ready to get out of the tub, place the egg in a bag and take it to the crossroads and throw it out. I know it has been said that you can bust it upside a tree; well I can tell you from experience the tree doesn't always soak up what the egg has pulled off. So it's safer to just throw them in the crossroads

Chicken Foot

If you don't have time to do a cleansing bath here is another way to remove things from you. This will remove jinx conditions, crossed conditions or anything else that may have been put on you or that you have attracted. The chicken foot works because chickens are known to scratch up all types of messes. This is simple but very effective way to cleanse one's self. All you need is a dried chicken foot, and the first verse of psalm 23.

You start at the top of your head going downward lightly scratch yourself with the chicken foot. While you are doing this say the first verse of psalm 23. Make sure that you do your feet also, going from heel to toe. If you are removing a crossed or jinxed condition you would do this for nine nights in a row. This may seem like a strange way to cleanse one's self, but I was taught this many years ago. I was twenty-one when I was first shown this and vey ill while I was carrying my daughter. The black lady my family hired to stay with me taught me how to do this. She was a very special person whom

I came to love dearly. Though she has passed on I think of her often. This is old conjure work, it really does work and it works fast. So before you disregard it just try it and you will see for yourself that it works.

These are just a few ways to cleanse yourself of the things you pick up during the day. If none of these appeal to you then find a bath that does and use it. You wouldn't put on dirty clothes to go on a date, neither should you do Hoodoo work without cleansing yourself first.

Protection

I just want to touch on protection. In life you will meet people with a jealous spirit about them or they are full of negative energy. It doesn't matter how much they have, they don't want others to have. These types of people are the ones we need to stay away from. We need to try to keep them out of our homes. Sometimes this is hard when they are family members. To me those are the worst kind. They don't have to be workers to cause harm. Every action or thought causes a reaction. Thoughts hold the power to harm. So when they come to visit they send out all this negative energy. If you don't clean it out then it just sits in your home and can cause all kind of negative things to happen. There are ways to keep this energy from spreading through your home.

I'm going to give you a few I have used over the years. You also need to spiritually cleanse your home at least once a month, starting from the back of the house to the front. Pay close attention to the corners of each room, negative energy seems to nest in corners. Just get a sponge mop so you can reach the corners and high places. Use the mop only for your

spiritual cleaning. You can use a cap of ammonia, a cap of vinegar, and some Florida Water, in your mop water. You can also add a few drops of your first morning's urine. You clean your home while stating your petition. Once you get the house mopped you can anoint the doors, corners, and windows with olive oil that you have prayed the 23rd Psalm over. This will protect the inside of your home.

Once you have your home clean you can place items behind your doors and in your windows to stop the negative energy of others from entering your home. These things may seem simple but they are very affective in keeping negative energy from entering the home. You can place a whole lemon behind each door. The lemon will draw the negative energies into its self. You can place a small bowl of salt with an egg on top of it behind each door. Florida water in a small cup with camphor square in the water will also keep negative energies from entering your home. If you don't want to use any of those suggestions you can mix red pepper and salt together, pray the 23rd Psalm over the mixture and sprinkle the mixture under your doormat. Any of these suggestions will work well. If you decide to use the lemon or the egg protection you will need to take them to the crossroads and leave them there. They should be changed once a month. The egg will not spoil, unless it has pulled a large amount of negative energy from your home.

We have talked about protecting the inside of the home, but what about the outside of our homes. I'm not going to go into great detail about this, because this book is about other works. I'm just going to give you a few ideas. You can make a protection hand to protect your property. To make this hand you need four Saint Michael cards, sharp items, some protec-

tion herbs or you can use red pepper/salt; you also need four pieces of red flannel. Lay your flannel out on the table and call on Saint Michael. Ask him to protect your home; place the card on the cloth then the sharp items then the herbs. Sew the hand up while talking to Saint Michael.

Once you have protection hands made, you plant one at each corner of your property while petitioning Saint Michael to protect your home. You go clockwise around the perimeter of the property. Once you have your hands planted you can go back and sprinkle red pepper mixed with salt. Then once a month go to each corner and call on Saint Michael asking him to continue to protecting your home. At this time you can sprinkle either protection powder or more red pepper and salt mix. If you don't want to use the flannel you can place all the ingredients into four small jars and bury the jars at the four corners of your property

Offerings

Let's be honest with ourselves for a minute, no one works for nothing. You wouldn't do a job that you never got paid for. So why in the world would we expect spirit to work for us without pay? I know that Spirit will work for you even if you don't leave them an offering but they will work much better for you if you do. Not only by leaving them an offering are you paying them, you are also showing them honor, respect and love. Spirit loves us enough to come when we call them for help. Shouldn't we in turn love them enough to honor them with a gift?

When you go to your job you work hard because at the end of the week you know you will get your paycheck. Then why would we think Spirit doesn't want to be paid at the end of a job? I always promise my Spirits an offering when the job is done. Like us they want their pay; therefore they work harder to reach the goal. So when you next do a job tell spirit when the job is done with good results you will give them an offering. It has been my experience that you will see a big difference. You can offer anything you want to. They will accept it graciously because you gave the gift with love and appreciation. You can't go wrong.

When it is time to pay Spirit tap three times on your altar, call the spirits name on each tap. Hold the offering up high; tell Spirit you have kept your word. You give the offering with love, honor, appreciation, and respect. Thank them for their help. Talk to them a little while, this way you build a bond with them. The more you go to them for help the easier it will become to reach them. Eventually all you will have to do is call on them and they will come. Leave the offering on your altar for a week, then dispose of it. Also make sure you keep a clean glass of water on your altar for them at all times. Once a week light a small tea light in their honor to show that you care about them even when they are not helping you. If you do these small things you will have success in all your work. They will be happy to come to you.

Anything you feel drawn to offer can be offered. Flowers, whiskey, cigars, stones, money, prayers; whatever you can offer. If I pay with whiskey, I leave it there until it is gone. I leave any stones or money I may have offered on the altar; they belong to Spirit, unless I feel I need to do something else with them. Try this next time you need assistance, I think you

will see a big difference in the outcome of your work. No matter how much of your own energy you use in your work; you will never be as powerful as spirit. So why not work and bond with them. It will make everything work with greater speed and success is assured.

Laying Down & Disposing of Tricks

In Conjure work the herbs and such that are used to do the job are very powerful in their own right, there is no need to empower or charge them properly after the job is done. This means anything that have you left over from your work. Where and how you dispose of the items depends on the job and how it will be deployed. I was taught that if you want to give something more power then throw or bury it in the East. If you want to destroy something or weaken it you then bury or throw it to the West. The reason behind this is because the Sun rises in the East and it descends in the West.

Once you have laid the trick or disposed of the remains you should just walk away. To look back on the work would be as if you are questioning what you just did, this can either weaken your work or kill it altogether. Unless you are laying down powders as a trick. When you lay powders down you walk backwards sprinkling the powders in a zigzag motion. While you are sprinkling the powders you can speak your intent. Once the powders are down just walk away and forget about it. First let's talk about the laying down of your work.

There are many ways to lay a trick but I am going to talk about the ways I use, for the simple reason that I have used

these over and over in my work. One of my fondest memories of my mama is when my little brother caught her burying my dad's underwear behind the house right where my Dad's feet would be if he were in bed. My mama was very tricky.

I am very lucky, my home faces the East and the back of my house is in the West. My home also sits on the corner of a crossroads so I am double blessed. If you want to sour someone's luck and bring them down you can take a lemon, cut it in half, and put a name paper or photo of them, some red pepper, and sulfur and confusion oil in the lemon with nine pins. Then take the lemon and bury it facing the West, where the sun goes down. Each day go to the spot you buried the lemon and pour a bit of vinegar on the spot while making your intent clear. This action will not sour them it will bring them down just like the sun goes down in the afternoon.

Using this same idea, if you want to separate two people for whatever reason; get two lemons, name one for one and the other for the other person. Do the steps explained above, but this time you will place one lemon in the East and one in the West. You will <u>only feed</u> the one in the West that you want removed. With this work on your name paper you will write one name going one way, and then <u>turn your paper counter clockwise</u> and write the other name going the other way. By doing this you are sending them in separate directions.

If you want to do something for protection; you can put together what I call a conjure jar or what some call a witches bottle; and bury it at your front stoop. To make this type of jar you need to add sharp objects to the jar; broken glass, nails, pins, a small pair of scissors and so on. You can find tiny scissors in the miniature craft department of major craft stores.

Scissors cut magic, so open the scissors when you place them in the jar. Once you have everything ready you can add some Florida water, holy water, and bluing for protection. I have been asked in the past about adding your blood or personal concerns to this type of conjure bottle. <u>DO NOT ADD YOUR BLOOD!</u> This jar is made to repeal your enemies, with all the sharp objects you are placing in the jar; you <u>DO NOT</u> want your life's force mingled with them. Once you have your jar made you bury it near your front entrance to your home; then once a month feed it a little of your urine and fiery wall of protection oil; to keep it working.

Next let's talk about discharging a conjure work into running water. In my experience and from what I have been taught, the only time you would discharge a spell into running water would be to REMOVE something or someone from you. Why? Because water doesn't flow both ways. Meaning water doesn't move back and forth. Sometimes we just have to use our common sense. Here are a few examples. If I were doing a work to bring someone back to me I would not throw the work into running water, because it would REMOVE them from me not bring them to me. If I were doing a money conjure I would not throw it into running water, not unless I wanted to jinx my money. By doing this I would be REMOVING my money. So when do we use running water, when we want to REMOVE something. If you are doing a separation work, law stay away, hotfoot or protection of a person from another person then you can throw the work into running water because you want to move these things away. As a worker it is very important that you understand this type of work; if you don't you can be headed for trouble. ALWAYS **USE YOUR COMMON SENSE.**

The only time I would bury a job in the graveyard would be one, to hold an enemy down and two, if I meant to harm someone. I am going to be very honest here; I have NEVER placed work in the graveyard where I meant for another person to be harmed. There are other ways of dealing with someone than trying to maim or kill them. As to burying work in the graveyard and asking the spirit to hold it there until I come back for it; yes I have many times. If I can't make it to the graveyard I will place the person in a box along with graveyard dirt and other things and ask the spirit to hold them in the box. I only use this type of work in extreme situations. This type of work isn't something to be played around with. You need to be very careful and really think about what you are doing before you do this type of work.

Some workers will use food or drink as a way to deploy a trick. I personally have never done this but my mama did. When I was in my early twenties my sisters and I was sitting in the kitchen while mama was at the stove cooking. I happen to look up on the ice box and saw a bottle that said salt peter on the label. I had never seen it before and wanted to know what it was; so I asked mama. My oldest sister looked up to see what I was talking about and busted out laughing, while mama explained to me that the salt peter was a VITAMIN(of all things) that my dad had to take. I couldn't understand why my sister was laughing so hard until she leaned over and told me what salt peter was for. I can tell you I was shocked to say the least. I didn't get a good explanation from my sister at that time because my mama gave us one of her looks that meant drop it or else. It wasn't until my mama passed in 1988 that I really understood about salt peter. We were all sitting around talking about mama and how she knew everything that was going on, and my sister brought up the salt peter. Of course

we all had a good laugh about it, but I also got my explanation on what it was used for. Trust me it isn't a vitamin. Salt peter is used to control or tie a man's nature. Once my sister explained the hows and why it was used, I knew my mama was feeding it to my dad. Trust me she had good reasons.

This will be our last example, the dressing of hats, clothes and bedding. About twenty years ago I had a problem that I thought was getting out of control. Family is all good and fine but sometimes the influence can be damaging to a marriage. Sometimes they stick their noses where they don't belong. I'm not one to let things go on for too long without doing something about it. I decided I was going to get some control back again. I went to a shop in Houston to get some things I needed, the lady asked me what the problem was. I explained what was going on. She suggested that I try an oil she had there in her store. The name of the oil was Sister Edna's hat oil. I still have a half of bottle. To use the oil you place a few drops on the hat band of his hat, then speak your petition. It worked and worked fast.

You can also dress clothing the same way. I like to dress the collars of their shirts or their socks. You can also dress their shoes. I like to use powders for this and just a drop of oil. The powders are easy to use, just sprinkle them on and brush off the excess. If I am doing a pair of shoes I lift up the insole and place the powder and oil under the insole of the shoe. Another trick using the insole of a shoe is to write the person's name on a piece of paper (that has been dressed with oil and powders) and place it in the insole of the shoe. By doing this you are keeping them underneath your foot.

You can also dress your bed. This can be done by using oils, powders or placing a conjure hand under the mattress. The types of oil and powders you use would depend on the type of work. To dress your bed, dress the four corners with oil and the center of the bed with powder, sprinkle the powder in the pillow case of the one the work is intended for. If you're going to place a conjure hand then place it under the mattress at the head of the bed.

How to Write a Petition

When I write out my petition I always date and sign the petition. You need to make sure your intent is clear. Here's an example of what I am talking about. Let's say I need a job, so I decide to do some work to help me find a job. If I write my petition out and state "I want a job" or "I want a job doing whatever" then I'll get just that a job. I may hate the job and not get along with my co-workers or my boss. Also this could be a job doing anything but what if I change the wording of the petition? Let's try the petition this way

Date:	Birth
Name	
I want a job doingenough money to make end	I want to make more than s meet or you can place the
•	want to be comfortable with my

new boss and	the people I work with. I want to be seen as a
favorable asse	et to the company. I want a raise
within	amount of time. I want this to be the perfect
job for me.	•
Signed	

You see from the example that you are stating exactly what it is you want from your new job. You want a job that you are good at and will be able to be promoted. Before I write out my petition I will sit down and think of what exactly it is I want to achieve. I may write it out three or four times before I get the wording right. Here's one more example.

Let's say you want to bring a new love into your life. You're ready to find someone who you can live with and be happy with. So you sit down and write out your petition. "I want someone to love me. I want him to be crazy about me. He can't live without me. I want him to worship me; he will never look at another woman". What could be wrong with a guy like this, he would be perfect right? Wrong! This guy would drive you crazy; he would suffocate the life out of you. He would be so worried about what you are doing during the day he might not even work. He may even become abusive, why because he is so nuts about you.

Do you see what I am getting at? How about if we wrote the petition this way.

Date		
	Birth	
Name		

I want a new mate brought into my life. Someone I am compatible with. Someone who is loving, caring, and kind. Someone I can find true happiness with. Someone who is a good listener and will be interested in what I have to say. Bring me someone who will be interested in what I have to say. Bring me someone who will be a good provider, who will love, honor, and cherish me. Someone who will be supportive in whatever I may choose to do. Bring me someone I can live my life out with in peace and happiness.

Sign	ı		
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Do you see the differences in the two petitions? You have achieved the same thing in both of them. Only the second one you will get much more. Just take your time when you are writing out your petition, think before you leap. Make sure you know exactly what it is you are trying to achieve. It may seem like a lot of work but the benefits are well worth the effort. You have to remember our higher power will try to bring us what we ask for. I want you to think before you write out your petition. By doing so you won't get something you didn't mean to ask for.

Petitions are a large part of Hoodoo. They are placed in mojo bags, candles, and honey jars, just about anything you will be working on. It is important that you know how to write one. Always make sure your statement of intent is clear. I can't stress enough how important this is. You don't want the spirits to be confused when they are trying to help you succeed in your work. Your higher power will bring you what you are asking for; it doesn't matter if it is good for you or not.

You make a request and pray for it to happen and it will. So be careful of what you are asking for, make yourself very clear on what it is you want to bring into your life. Sometimes things are easy to get into and hard to get out of. So it's better to be safe than sorry.

The Conjure Work

You can add to this High John the Conqueror (this root will remove all obstacles from your path); also five finger grass can be added to compel someone to help you in a situation where a favor is needed. If I am doing this work and it concerns money I would add a little pyrite to the work. Pyrite draws money to you. So I would not only be compelling the person where my money is concerned I would also be drawing that money to me.

To be honest I don't do much compelling work, I flat out make them do what I want. Even though compelling work is a more gentle type of work, you are still using some of the same ingredients that are used in commanding, controlling, domination, and Do As I Say work. Calamus Root and Licorice Root are known for their domination aspects. You can

sugar it up and make it sound sweet by using the words compelling work, but you are still making someone do what they don't want to do. A lot of new folks get confused by all these different labels put on this type of work, but when push comes to shove it is all the same type of work. The degree of harshness is the only difference and your petition. Any time you see a recipe with calamus, licorice, dirt dauber nest, master root, and Master of the Woods you are trying to bring your will on something or someone. These are the strongest roots and herbs that can be used for this type of work. They may be added to different recipes but in the end it all comes back to the same thing: these roots give us the power to have our own way.

I see <u>Commanding</u> and <u>Do As I Say</u> as the same type of work, just under different names. The reason for this is because when you command someone to do what you want you are telling them what to do. When you do a Do As I Say work are you not telling the person what to do? It is the same work. Some of the same herbs are used in this type of work; once again it is the labels placed on the work that make the difference. Some workers will argue that it is not the same kind of work, but common sense will show you that it is. It doesn't matter if you are commanding someone or making someone do what you say; either way they are doing what you tell them to do. Once again the ingredients are almost the same in the recipes for this type of work.

Here again we have two more that can be used as the same work. Domination and Controlling are the same type of work. If you control something or someone are you not the controlling party? You say what goes and what doesn't go. Well if you dominate a situation are you not in control of that

situation where you are the top dog so to say? It is the same kind of work, just under a different name. Even if you are trying to control a situation are you not placing your dominance over the said situation to have the outcome you want? Again common sense tells us this is the same type of work; it also uses the same type of ingredients. To me the labels on the items you use in the work makes a difference in what the work is called. All of these are traditional conjure work labels and can be used for these types of work. I'm just trying to explain to the new folks coming into conjure who may be confused about all these different works that some of them share the same goal. I'm sure there will be some workers who will read this and have a fit. That's ok with me. You look at all the ingredients of this type of work and decide for yourself. As I was told the proof is in the mix!

To me Essence of Bend Over is the strongest work of this type. You are doing exactly what the label says which is making someone bend over and do your will. The person the work is being done on loses all their power. You dominate and control them. They don't have a say on it. You can control their actions and compel them to do your will. Have you noticed the words I am using to explain what Essence of Bend Over is used for? This is traditional conjure work at its best. If this work is done right the person you are working on doesn't have a chance. They are strictly under your command to make them do what you want. Here are two simple ways to use the oil and incense of Essence of Bend Over. Just because these may seem simple don't underestimate them.

You can take the Essence of Bend Over incense and write out a petition with what you want to happen with your target. Step outside and face the east, place the incense on top

of your petition and light the incense. Once the incense and paper have burned you can bury the ashes in your yard facing the East.

Get a bottle of Essence of Bend Over oil. Pour a little out of the bottle so you have room to add your petition and some personal concerns that belong to the person you want to work on. Everyday shake the bottle while calling the person's name and stating your petition. When you are going to be around the person rub a little of the oil on your hands; by doing this when you touch them they come in contact with the work.

Before we get to the work I just have one more thing I would like to point out. You will notice that all my recipes basically have the same ingredients for this type of work. That is because these roots and herbs are the strongest you can use when doing this type of work. The recipes may vary but they will all consist of two or more of the roots used for this type of work.

Nation Sack

The nation sack is a conjure bag. It is only made and carried by women. Some say it should be worn hanging from a belt at the waist, but I have found that it works just fine placed somewhere safe out of his reach. The basic use of the nation sack is female domination over her man. The nation sack is put together for a woman to hold one specific man. The reason I say this is because part of making the bag is to take a red cotton string the length of his penis, then dip it in his semen, and tie 9 knots in the string while calling out his name

on each knot and tell him what he will do. Then the string is put in the bag for safe keeping.

The nation sack is a very strong trick bag used by women to hold and dominate their men. It is very important that he never find the bag because it is said should he touch the bag it will lose all of its power. Once the bag is made it will have to be fed at least once a month. I feed mine a mix of Essence of Bend Over oil and whiskey. I usually make all of my conjure bags out of red flannel but this is one time I used a different kind of bag. I used a red silk bag with gold dragons on it. The reason I used this bag is because the dragon is a symbol of Saint Martha the Dominator who is the saint worked with in dominating an uncontrollable husband or mate. Here is how I made my bag.

You need three red tapers that you have written his name on three times, then dressed with Essence of Bend Over oil, then rolled in Calamus root. You need two silver dimes that were made in the year of your birth and his birth year. These two dimes you will name after each of you. Then you need a High John the Conqueror root that you will name after him. You also need a Queen Elizabeth root that you will name after yourself. You need a red cotton string the length of his penis that has been dipped in his semen. How you get this is up to you. Once you get the string ready tie nine knots in the string calling his name out on each knot and stating your petition.

Now get your name paper ready. Write his name nine times on the paper with your name written on top of his nine times and the word "Bend Over" written on top of them.

Anoint the four corners of the paper with Essence of Bend

Over oil and make a cross in the center of the paper. Get a white plate and place it over the name paper, string, coins, and roots. Sprinkle a bit of calamus over all of this. Now take one of your red candles and fix it to the plate. Pour a bit of Essence of Bend Over oil around the candle and sprinkle a bit of calamus on the oil.

Light the candle and say your petition. Burn one candle a day for three days. On the third day after the last candle has burned out add all your ingredients to your bag. You can add more personal items to the bag. You can also add two lodestones that have been named after each of you and bound together with a red cotton thread to the bag. Once you have the bag ready feed the bag a drink of whiskey and Essence of Bend Over oil mix. Then blow three good breathes into the bag and close the bag shut. Here is a recipe for Essence of Bend Over oil.

Essence of Bend Over oil

Base oil

Calamus (dominating and controlling)

Dirt Dauber Nest (dominating, controlling, and confusion)

Master Root (to master)

Licorice Root (to dominate)

Slippery Elm (a small pinch to hide the work)

If you are going to dominate someone you sure better have a little confusion herbs in the oil or they might just figure it out. **Don't get too heavy handed with the slippery elm!**

Controlling Work

I do controlling work three ways. One is through Saint Martha which I will touch on more in the next chaper. Before we get to that I will first tell you how to work with a poppet and how to do a jar work for domination.

Now for the poppet make yourself a small wax poppet. I will put whatever I can get that belongs to the target. If I can't get anything personal then I will write out the name paper. Their name is always on the bottom while mine is on top and the power word CONTROLLING written on top of that. Then I will add my urine to the paper. Why I do this is because it links me to the work. I let it dry then cover the poppet with it. Now if a woman wants to work on a man one of the strongest roots she can use is Jezebel root. This root will never let her down. I have used it for years. I also like to tie knots in string and add to my poppet's. While I am tying the knots I am DEMANDING that the person does my will. I also add a pinch of red pepper to this type of poppet because red pepper is used to confuse. If you want to control someone then they need to be a bit confused so they won't figure out what is going on. Below I will list the rest of the herbs I use. Now once the poppet is done I hold it in my hands, talk to it, and demand what I want. Then I will use an orange candle for a controlling candle. I will write the person's name on the candle and the word control. Light the candle and let it burn out. If

you use the right kind of herbs in the poppet it should work very well. Put the poppet facing the wall and once a week pick it up and talk to it. Then place it facing the wall.

Now for the jar you need to get a baby food jar, paper, personal items, roots, and herbs. I add urine to this also. Put the name paper (same as above), personal concerns, roots, and urine into the jar. Shake the jar really hard three times demanding what you want each time. This works within hours of making it. One time my husband and I had this big fight about his family. I'm talking this went on for about a week. We weren't speaking to each other unless the children were around. Well I got tired of it and made the jar. He was at work and before the hour was out he called me and acted like nothing had happened. I still have that jar and it still works after all this time. So I can promise you this one works.

This list of herbs is the only one I ever use for controlling and domination. They have never let me down.

Jezebel root (for women to use)

Calamus root

Dirt Dauber Nest (I love this stuff; I had my whole family out hunting me some)

Licorice root

Master root

I use these in combinations of 3's. Don't forget a pinch of red pepper! I can promise you I have used these herbs for years

and they work even if you just use a name paper and the herbs. They make the job easy.

Saint Martha for Controlling Work

Some think that controlling work is wrong! I say if the work needs to be done then do it. What might be wrong for one person may not be for another.

If you ask St. Martha for this type of work you have to be faithful and keep a light burning. You also need to set up an altar. As an offering you can give her coffee with a cross in the container. I always give her the offering before she does the work. I have found for myself I get better results by doing it this way. You can work with her however you please; but I have found she likes her offerings first. Now you must light a green candle every Tuesday and let it burn until it burns out. Then on the next Tuesday light another repeating the same request. I have found that she can be slow in helping you.

It takes about 2 weeks before you see a big change; but once she gets a hold of them they will be caught.

I always ask her to dominate and control them as she does the dragon at her feet. If there is a lot of fussing and angry words being spoken I ask her to silence them. She is a saint for women and she will deal with men with a heavy hand, although she will work with some men. If you need her and call on her she will be there for you. Not all men are bad but some of them can be really cruel. Saint Martha will set them down.

St. Martha is all about the hearth and home. She will make sure your home runs smooth. She is not a money saint but you can ask her to help pay the bills and also to keep food on the table. I was taught to never to go her for money per se, only when the money was needed for bills and such. St Martha not only keeps your home running smooth but she will also bring back a man who has left you.

Over the years I have done a lot of work with St. Martha, not only for myself but for clients. As I said before St Martha is not real crazy about men. She works hard and fast on them. This type of work is not suited for everyone; some workers won't touch it. As I tell all of my students you must always do what is right for you! If you feel a job is wrong then please don't do the work; but for those who need this type of work below is one of my works I have used with great success while petitioning St. Martha.

Bring Him Back

Some men are dogs plain and simple! I am not bashing all men, some of them are very good but then you have those who aren't worth a grain of salt. There are times when a man must be made to face his commitments and his responsibilities. Some men often think the grass is greener on the other side of the fence. The woman is the one stuck paying the bills and taking care of the children. If you find yourself in this type of situation then the work below will help you get him back home where he belongs.

Before you reach the work I wanted to explain why I use tea lights instead of taper candles or 7 day vigil candles. The simple fact is that tea lights burn hotter than either a taper or vigil candles. So the tea lights heats the work up faster. If you have ever used a tea light then you know that the tin heats up after the tea light has burned a few minutes. This makes the petition or jars get hot, so the work heats up faster. I have done my work this way for many years and it has worked well for me.

Things you need

9 Green Tea Lights

9 Purple Tea Lights

9 Red Tea Lights

Petition

St. Martha prayer card or statue

Photo of the person (if you have one)

St. Martha oil

Compelling oil

Domination oil

Get yourself ready to do the job, and then set up your work space. Place the photo in front of St. Martha, and then

place your petition on top of the photo. Take one of each of the tea lights out of their tin and write the person's name on the candle; then dress each of the tea lights with a little of each of the oils. Place the tea lights back in their tin holders. Now place the green tea light on top of the persons head in the photo, and then place the purple tea light then the red one. You should have a triangle.

Light your candles and call on St.Martha. This is my call to her; you won't find it in any books or on-line.

Knock on your altar 3 times and say:

Holy Mother Martha, I call on you in my time of need

I beseech you Mother to come at my call

State your petition then say

Blessed Mother you have never let me down

Please dominate_____like you did the dragon under your feet

I ask you Mother to bring him back

Mother make him meek and mild as you did the dragon

Draw him back immediately Mother, don't make me wait another day!

In the name of God the Father, God the Son, God the Holy Spirit and St.Martha Amen.

Say 3 our Fathers, 3 Creed, and 3 Hail Mary's

Do this same set up every day for 9 days. As I said I have had very good results with this job.

St.Martha's Prayer

"St. Martha, I resort to thy aid and protection. As proof of my affection and faith, I offer thee this light, which I shall burn every Tuesday. Comfort me in all my difficulties and through great favors thou didst enjoy when the Savior was lodged in thy house, intercede for my family..."

Controlling Poppet

Make yourself a small wax poppet. To the poppet add Jezebel root, Master Root and High John the Conquer root. Then I will add whatever I can get that belongs to the target into the poppet. If I can't get anything personal then I will write out a petition paper. Mix all this into the head of the poppet. Now if a women wants to work on a man one of the strongest roots she can use is the Jezebel root. This root will never let her down. I have used it for years.

I also like to tie knots in string and add to my poppets. While I am tying the knots I am DEMANDING that the person does my will. I also add a small pinch of red pepper to

heat up the work. Now once the poppet is done I hold it in my hands and talk to it and demand what I want. Then I will use an orange candle for controlling candle. I will write the person's name on the candle and the word control on top of their name. Light the candle then every chance you get pick up the poppet and repeat your petition. If you use the right kind of herbs in the poppet the poppet should work very well.

Once the candle burns out wrap the poppet up in a cloth and put in a dark place. Then once a month take it out and restate your petition. You can bathe the poppet in whiskey that you have added the herbs you used to make the poppet with. This way every month you are feeding your work; by doing this your work will continue to be strong.

Jar Spells

Jar spells are what some workers call bottle spells. These spells are nothing more than a work that has been placed in a jar. This is an ole time work. Some folks even call these witches bottles. If really doesn't matter what name you place on them; the ingredients you use in them are what makes the job work. There are many types of these jar spells that can be used. These spells work really well because the energy is locked up in the jar. The more you work the jar the more power the spell gains.

You may be wondering what I mean by working the jar. Well once I have my jar put together, I wake the jar up by slapping the side of the jar while I state my petition in a loud firm voice. Once this is done I shake the jar and on each shake I call out the person's name and state my petition. I will say I call on the spirit of ______, and then I state my petition. I do this three times. This is what I call working the jar. You are shaking up the work instead of just letting it sit there.

Once I have my jar ready, I set it between three candles that are set in the shape of a triangle. The candle at the top belongs to the person I am working on; the two at the bottom pertain to the work. Then I set the jar in the center and light my candles while stating my petition. I try to go to my altar at least three times a day and work my jar while stating my petition. If I can't do this three times I at least try to work the jar once a day. Below you will find a few jar works. Remember these jars are nothing more than spell containers. You can make them for just about any type of work you need. As I said the good thing about them are that you can stir up the work as you are doing the job.

Controlling Jar

Get a baby food jar, paper, personal items, roots, and herbs. Put the petition paper (same as above), personal concerns, oils, and roots into the jar. Shake the jar really hard three times. Call their name three times on each shake while stating your petition each time and demanding what you want. When I call someone's name like this I say "I am calling on the spirit of state their name." This works within hours of making it. One time my

husband and I had this big fight about his family. I'm talking this went on for about a week. We weren't speaking to each other unless the children were around. Well I got tired of it and made the jar. He was at work and before the hour was out he called me and acted like nothing had happened. I still have that jar and it still works after all this time if I have the need to use it.

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Dirt Dauber Nest (I love this stuff; I had my whole family out hunting me some)

Licorice root

Master Root

High John the Conqueror root

Queen Elizabeth

Master of the Woods

You can use these in combinations of 3, 5, 7, 9, or 13. Don't forget a pinch of red pepper! I have used these herbs for years and they work, even if you just use a name paper and the herbs. They make the job easy.

To Make Someone Do Your Will

Things Needed:

Master Root

Calamus

Dirt Dauber

Licorice Root

Powder Sugar

A pinch of Ginger (to heat it up)

Personal items (name on paper, hair, nail clippings, piece of dirty sox, etc)

Sm glass jar with a tight lid

When I say personal items I mean of the person you are working on. Now if you use the piece of sox use a piece on the bottom of the sox (the heel section, you just need a small

piece). When you write out your name paper write their name five times; then turn the paper clockwise and write your name over theirs seven times. Now add all your items to the jar. I always layer the items I place in my jar.

I make a bed of herbs then place my personal items on top of them. Then I will cover that with more herbs. I have found that tea light candles work well to burn on top of the jar. I write the person's name on the tea light then anoint the candle with a mixture of compelling, domination, and controlling oil mixed together. Then I add to the oil a pinch of each herb even the dirt dauber. You then burn the candle on top of the jar. Once the candle burns out pick up the jar and demand the person do as you say. I have had good results with this jar.

Once you have your jar ready then you work the jar and burn your candle on top of the jar. Now I like to use tea lights for this type of work. For one thing they aren't messy and the other thing is that they heat up the work right away. When you light them the whole thing gets hot really fast. This doesn't happen with other types of candles. You can do it however you want. This is just how I work.

Hot Foot Jar

Write the person's name on a piece of paper nine times going away from you. Then write on top of their name what you want to happen. Next burn the paper and mix the ashes with the hot foot mixture. Add everything to the jar. Be very careful that you don't get the hot foot on you or spill any in your home! Once you have the jar made you can work the jar for a few days. Then take the jar and go to the river. When you

get out of your car, shake the jar while calling the person's name and stating your petition. Walk up to the water and turn your back. One more time state your petition. Then throw the jar over your left shoulder. Once you've thrown your jar throw five pennies in the water also over your left shoulder. Then you just walk away without looking back.

Hot Foot Recipe

Red pepper

Sulfur

Corn starch

Ant mound dirt and ants

Dirt Dauber nest

Graveyard Dirt

Glass jar with a lid

I use ants because the same way the ants want out so will the person you are using the powder on want out. This is my recipe and I know that it works. You need to be careful if you make this to use.

Gather the ants and the dirt and place them in the jar. Close the lid tight and leave the jar closed for about 12 hours.

Once the ants are not trying to get out of the jar anymore add the sulfur and shake the jar until it is mixed well. Now add your red pepper. You should add enough until it has a pink tint to it. Once this is done shake the jar well again. Now add your corn starch. Shake the jar well. Now you should have a nice pink powder. Keep the lid on the jar tight to keep the dampness out.

Tying Knots

You would be surprised as to what a small piece of thread, ribbon, or shoelace can do. This is pure Hoodoo! This is truly old magic. Knots can be used for many different reasons. You can tie two people together, tie someone's money up, tie up a man's nature as they say in Hoodoo, or even tie up a person who is causing you trouble. The list goes on and on. This was taught to me by my son's Godfather. I guess I was around 20 or 21 at the time. He taught me how to tie up a person who was giving me a lot of trouble and trying to work magic on me. I have experimented using knots since then and have used what worked over and over. We will talk about this first.

To stop someone who is bothering you, you need some type of thread or ribbon. Cut it long enough so you can tie nine knots in it. If you can get some personal item of theirs that would be great. Hair, sperm, or a piece of cloth from the crotch of their underwear work best. If not don't fret, you can still work on them. Write their name 9 times on a piece of brown paper bag (tear the paper NEVER cut it; scissors cut magic). Then make a big black X across each name stating

your petition that they are now unable to cause you problems or bother you anymore. Be forceful with your petition. Fold the paper AWAY from you until you have it in a small packet. Put a few drops of Confusion oil on the paper stating that you want them to leave you alone. Now place your paper in the center of your thread. Call their name three times and tie the first knot. Pull it tight and make your petition. It is important that you use a FORCEFUL voice while doing this. Do this on every knot. Once you have the packet done either place it between 2 small mirrors shiny sides facing each other or put it in a dark place and leave it there.

Now if someone has really hurt you and caused you problems you can tie up their money. You need your string and a dollar bill from them. The dollar bill will be your name paper. Write your petition on the BACK of the bill nine times because you are putting them up against the wall. On top of the petition write their name nine times. Now sprinkle it with a light coat of red pepper, sulfur, and salt. If you have some personal item add it on top of the pepper. Fold the bill away from you. This is important because you don't want to jinx yourself. Now place the packet on your string and call their name three times making your petition of what you want to happen. Pull the string tight. Do this a total of nine times.

Ok now if you have a spouse who is out of control here's one you can use. I have only had women use this so far. I don't know if it will work the same if a man tried to use it on women. You need sperm for this one (I'll leave how you gather it up to you). Just make sure it is not mixed with your body fluids. Now you have your sperm soak a piece of red ribbon in it. Let it dry. Call the person's name three times and tie the knot stating your petition. Be forceful. Make nine knots.

Put this in a safe place. When you need to use it take it out, call their name, and tell them what you want them to do. This is one I can promise you will work. It has never failed yet. I have given it to many clients to use. It even works on men who drink a lot; it just takes a bit more work.

By now you should have an idea of how using knots work. Try new ideas. Test them out. If they don't work try using something different that will give the same effect. As always use what works for you!

Making a Wax Doll

You need soft wax, the type of conjure oil you choose to use, and herbs. Just get the wax soft not melted then shape the wax into a small human figure. I never worry if it looks like a male or female because I stay focused on my intent while making the doll. That's all you do! Once you have the dollie made you can add your herbs and personal concerns to the dollie. I always place my items in the head of the dollie. It just takes a pinch so you don't have to be heavy handed with them.

These little dollies can be used for all different kinds of work. Once you have the dollie made then you need to wake it up. Sprinkle the dollie with Holy Water using the words below. Sprinkle the dollie on each Holy name.

"I baptize you (<u>person's name</u>) in the Name of God the Father, God the Son, and God the Holy Spirit. From this moment on you will be known as (person's name). Everything you feel so will (<u>person's name</u>) feel. Amen"

Come To Me

Here is an example of a Come To Me work I have used. Come To Me work would be labeled as a compelling job but when I do this type of work I'm not only going to bring them to me I'm also going to dominate them. I have a few different ways I might work this type of job, but this is one way that works well. I prefer to use wax poppets but for this type of work I use a poppet made out of red flannel. The reason I use the flannel is because to draw the poppet to me I use a fishhook tied to a red cotton string. Why you may be asking would I use a fishhook for this work. Well think about it...When you go fishing you catch your fish and then you reel it in.

The same idea works with the person the poppet represents. You hook 'em and bring them to you. I make my own poppets. When I make a flannel poppet I stuff them with moss. If I have a photo of the person I add it to the poppet along with any personal items of theirs I may have. I also add a lodestone or magnet inside this type of poppet because I want to draw the person I am working on.

Since I want this person to come to me I will add calamus, licorice root, Master root, Master of the Woods, and a pinch of dirt dauber's nest to the poppet. You can't beat these five ingredients for domination work. I will also write out a petition paper and place it inside the poppet. Since I only use this type of poppet for love work I add dried red roses. You also need to add a piece of High John the Conqueror root to the poppet. High John removes all obstacles out of your way so you can achieve success. You can add any other items you want to your poppet. These are just the main ones.

I soak the fishhook with the red ribbon in an oil which I make that contains High John, calamus, licorice root, dirt dauber nest, and a lodestone before I hook the poppet with the line. While the line is soaking in the oil I set up my altar. For this type of work I use a red altar cloth with gold cloth partially draped over the red cloth. I use the gold cloth because to me it represents fullness and richness. I place fresh flowers on the altar and things that remind me of the person. I use three candles for this type of work. They are set up in a triangle. I use Come To Me, Domination, and Do As I Say candles. Each candle is fixed with personal items, herbs, and the oil. In the center of the triangle I have a large magnet. I use a magnet for this because of its powerful draw. You need to have your candle set up at one side of your altar.

As I said before when I work I do more than one thing to accomplish the job. The next thing is to make a honey jar. The same ingredients are used for the jar, and then add five fishhooks to the jar. Once the jar is ready place it in the center of the triangle.

Light your candles and make your statement of intent. Next you need to take your fishhook out of your oil and hook the fishhook in the poppet mouth while making your petition, "As this poppet is hooked so will ______ be hooked."

Now the poppet goes on the other end of your altar. Each day you will pull the poppet a little closer to the candles while making your intent clear. You will also speak your intent over the candle set up daily. When the poppet gets even with your candle set up pull it into the triangle with the honey jar. Say your prayers and make your statement of intent daily over the set up. When I do this type of work I try to go to my altar

at least three times a day once I have the poppet in the center of the candle setup. This is just how I work. Do what works for you. Since no candles really burn for seven days I usually burn another set of candles once the poppet is inside the candle setup.

There are many ways to do this type of work. This is an example of a simple way that gets the job done. I want to say this, use what you have at home and also change the work up if you have to. Nothing is written in stone. Don't stress yourself out about the ingredients or having the right candles. Use what you got. You can even use a paper poppet if you have to. Too many times I have seen old workers say that it has to be done a certain way or it won't work. I have found this simply not to be true. Conjure work is about using what you have on hand. Yes it's nice if you can afford all the trappings they sell nowadays, but if you can't don't let it stop you. Use what you have on hand and KNOW that the work will be a success.

To Bring Back a Lover

This is a work that I have used to help others bring back a spouse or lover that has left them. This works really well if you put your all into it.

You will need a small glass, spring water, loveage root, rose petals, lodestone, a red heart, a plate, some honey, a St. Michael candle, a red candle, and a black candle. You'll also need paper, a pen to write out your petition on, and a photo of the one you want to come back.

Here are the instructions for each of the steps taken. I want to say this if you want something bad enough you have to work for it! You can't just throw everything together and expect it to do all the work for you. You need to pray and put your energies into it. With that said here is how it works.

I suggest you set up a nice love altar. Put pictures of yourself and your loved one in happier times on it. Sprinkle some rose petals on it. Put things that mean love to you on it. This will help you focus and also lend energy to the work.

Take the glass and add the spring water, loveage root, rose petals, and the red heart. Hold both palms over the glass and pray to your higher power to give this glass power to do the work you need done. Now place the picture of your loved one upside down in the glass with the face facing out. Set the glass on the plate; make a circle of honey and loveage root around the glass.

Now take the red candle and dress it with oil and the name of the person you want to bring back with your name on top of theirs. You can write this out 3, 5, 7, or 9 times. Set this candle behind the plate. To the left of this candle you will place the black candle. Then to the right of the candle you will place the St. Michael candle. Say the St. Michael novena and ask St. Michael to defend this work and for his protection.

Now this is important. You have black candle, red, and then your saint candle. Light the red candle first praying over it in your usual way, then the saint candle per instruction and last the black candle. Do nothing to the black candle; leave that candle undressed.

EVERYDAY you will MOVE the black candle away<<<<<f>from the other two, a little each day. This will remove all crossed conditions and past hurt from the situation.

If this is done right the loved one should be home soon.

To Bring a Man Back Home

All the works under this title is to bring your man back. I was told a long time ago that you can get whatever it is you need by placing a picture of the Lord in a triangle and then placing the work over the picture. I have had good results with this.

For this work you need a picture of the Lord, a picture of the one you want to bring back, a small glass of water that you have added your oils to, and then place a lodestone and a small piece of pyrite into the glass along with a couple of drops of whiskey. You also need three candles, one Attraction, one Compelling, and one Come To Me candle. If you have personal concerns of the person you can place them under the glass of water along with your petition.

Once you get everything set up you need to place the picture of the one you want to come back UPSIDE down in front of your glass of water. Over this set up you need to read the Lord's Prayer and the 23rd Psalm daily. Below is what your set up should look like.

Come To Me Candle

Lord's Picture

Glass of Water

Upside down Picture

Compelling Candle

Attraction Candle

The Lord's picture on the bottom then the glass dressed with the Come To Me, Compelling, and Attraction oils then the upside down picture of your loved one. Use this set up for nine days.

To Bring Him Back With A Mirror

I have used a mirror in my work for many years. The mirror is a wonderful tool. For this work we will be using a mirror to bring back a lover who has gone away. This may seem like a simple little work but it works really well. The work doesn't have to be complicated in order to be a success.

For this work you need twenty-seven tea lights. Now as I stated earlier in this book, I like to use tea lights because they get hot fast. In this work you will burn them daily in the shape of a triangle to add power to the work. It takes three a day. You also need a mirror, a photo of the one you want to bring back, and a dressed Come to Me candle. You will place your petition under the Come to Me candle and if you have any personal concerns belonging to the person you can add a pinch to the candle.

Once you have everything ready dress your mirror with the Come To Me oil. Use the five spot to dress the mirror. Set up your tea lights in the shape of a triangle then you place your mirror, your photo facing the mirror, and your Come To Me candle in the center of the triangle. Light your candles and say your prayers then state your petition and read Psalm 23 over your set up daily. Do this for nine days. The set up is below.

Tea Light

Mirror

Picture

Candle

Tea Light

Tea Light

Repeat this set up daily along with your petition and prayers for nine days.

Separation Work

We have talked about bringing some back to us, but what if we wanted to separate two people for whatever the reason might be. You would be surprised to know how many people go to workers to have this type of work done. Most workers don't talk about the work they do for others so people never know how many of this type of job a worker might do. Not every worker will do this type of work; it is really how they themselves feel about doing this work.

There are times when separation work is needed. If you don't feel right doing this type of work and it is not for you then its simple: don't do it! There are many ways to do this type of work. I'm going to give you two examples of how I do this type of work. As always do what you feel is right for you. If you are going to separate two people then you will need to sour their relationship; then the one that you want to leave needs to have some hot foot work done on them.

This type of job takes work. You can't just light a few candles and expect the job to be done. I was taught that you need to do more than one work when you do a job. Just doing one thing is not enough to get the job done. Everyone works different and I'm not saying this is the right way or the only way. I am simply saying this is the way I was taught to work.

Sometimes this type of work is difficult to do. There are many factors to why this work fails. I have found that the spirit of the person being worked on has a lot to do with it. If the person's spirit fights the work then you are going to have to work harder. Some folks just don't want to let go no matter what. I'm not saying you can't get the job done by no means; I'm saying that you will just have to work harder to achieve your goal. I have found when doing this type of work that it is best to fill the dollie's head with Black Mustard seeds. Black Mustard seed is one of the main ingredients in Confusion oil.

If you use the Black Mustard seeds in the head of the dollie then this will keep the person you are separating confused and they will not fight the work you are doing on them. If the mind is confused then the spirit of the person will be confused. This will help make your work a success.

I personally like using jars in my work. For one reason they hold the power you build in them. They are also easy to work. When I say work the jar I mean to shake the jar hard while stating your petition.

Separation Jar

For this work we will be making two wax dollies. These dollies represent the two people we will be separating. Make your wax dollies then stuff the head of one dollie with black cat hair, black mustard seeds, and a coffin nail that you have written the person's name on. Just stick the coffin nail right through the wax dollie. For the next dollie you will add black dog hair to the head along with the other ingredients.

Once you get your dollies made you need to name them. After you name your dollies you need to place them back to back and head to feet. This way they can't communicate with each other or see each other. When you have the dollies in place wrap them with black thread so they stay in the position you have placed them in. When you get your dollies wrapped place them into your jar.

To the jar add sulfur and vinegar. Close the jar tight; you don't want this stuff getting on you as you work the jar. As an extra precaution I duck tape the top of the jar then place it in a large zip lock. When I am ready I burn my tea light on top of the zip lock. I don't remove the jar from the zip lock. I see the zip lock as reinforcing the work by locking it in the bag.

I work the jar for seven days; what I mean by this is I shake the jar really hard while stating my petition. Then I burn the tea light on top of the jar. Once my seven days are up I place the jar in the freezer to freeze the work. After the job is a success I take the jar and throw it in running water. There are other ways to do this job, but I have good success with this work so I continue to use it. Just remember after this type of work you need to cleanse yourself really well.

To Cause Two People to Fuss and Fight

Get you a small jar and to the jar add any personal concerns you may have for the folks you are working on. If you don't have anything of theirs then write one name going one way and the other name going the other way. Place this in the jar. To the jar add a pinch of dog hair and a pinch of cat hair. Then add some dirt from a yard where two dogs have fought (This dirt is not as hard to find as you may think if you know folks with dogs). Add some red pepper then top it off with some vinegar.

Once you have the jar closed shake the jar really hard and call the parties names and tell them what you want to happen. Then burn a small tea light on top of the jar to heat the work up. Every time you want to cause them to fuss and fight work the jar. You can keep the jar in a dark place when you are not using the jar. This may sound simple but it works.

To Sour a Relationship

This may seem like a simple work but it does the job. If for whatever reason you want to sour a person's relationship with another person this little jar will do it. You need a small jar with a tight lid, vinegar, red pepper, and a pinch of gunpowder, one lemon, 9 needles, petition paper, personal concerns, nine tea lights, duck tape, and a small zip lock bag.

Gather all your things together. Cut the lemon in half and put red pepper on both sides of the lemon. Write each person's name nine times each. One name going one way and the other person's name going the other way. Place the petition paper between the two halves of lemon then put the lemon back together using the needles. Place one needle going one way and the other needle going the other way. Repeat this process until you have used all of the needles.

Place the lemon in the jar then add all the other ingredients. Once you have everything in the jar close the lid tight and duck tape the lid. You don't want to get this mess on you. As another precaution put the jar inside a small zip lock. To wake the jar up, shake it as hard as you can while you state your petition in a loud strong voice. Then light the tea light on top of the jar.

Shake the jar and place the candle on the jar for nine days. Then bury the jar in the West. So every time the Sun goes down the relationship will sour more.

Conjure Hands

Conjure hands are nothing more than a work you carry on your person. These hands are carried on you out of site from prying eyes. They are hidden in your clothes up against your body. I pin mine at my waist inside of my underwear. Not all folks believe they need to be touching your body. This is the way I was taught to carry them. It's up to the worker I guess. These hands shouldn't be seen or touched by others if they are then the hand will no longer work. This is killing the hand; a

new one will need to be made.

Some folks call these hand mojo bags. I have always called them hands because they give you a helping hand in the situation they are made for. There are a variety of hands that can be made. I'm going to list a few but by no means is this all of them. You can make a hand for protection, money, love, domination, controlling, mastery, etc. You get the idea. It all depends on the type of work you are doing. Of course it we made one for the topic of this book we would want one to go along the lines of mastery, controlling, compelling, and so on.

Once you have your hand made it has to be fed. There are a few ways to do this. I'm going to tell you how I do it then give you a few more examples on how it can be done. The most important thing is that it is done so the hand will be woken up in order for the hand to work.

Now I have my hand ready. Before I close the hand up I give it a few drops of whiskey and I breath three breathes inside the hand then I close it up. Then I dab a little conjure oil on the outside of the bag. It just takes a little you don't have to soak the hand. Once this is done I hold the bag close to my mouth and speak my petition to the bag while I squeeze the bag gently. My grandma called this whispering. This is the way I was taught to wake up a hand; this is not the only way though.

Some workers smoke the hand with cigar, incense, or the flame of a candle. Once you have smoked your hand you need to give it a drink. Here are some things you can use: whiskey, oil, Hoyt's cologne, or body fluids. Some workers will even use sexual fluids if the bag is for love or the domination of a lover. Just a dab or two will do; you don't have to soak the hand.

Once you have your hand awake you carry it on you at all times. I even sleep with mine pinned to my night clothes. Below are a few hands to give you an idea of what they contain.

Domination/Controlling Hand

Master Root

Calamus root

Licorice root

Dirt Dauber nest

Personal concerns

Petition paper

Master Hand

Master Root

High John Root

Solomon's Seal Root

Master of the Woods

Personal Concerns

Petition paper

Nail Your Man Down

If you have a man who just won't stay where he belongs (sorry guys) then get yourself enough red thread to tie nine knots. You need to get some of his semen on the thread and let it dry. Once the thread is dry take a railroad spike and wrap the thread around the railroad spike. On each wrap tie a knot stating your petition. Repeat this until you have nine knots tied.

Once you have your spike ready take it by the front door stoop and hammer it into the ground. Make your petition that _____ is now nailed down and will stay home where he belongs. Then once a month feed the place where the railroad spike is sugar water to keep him sweet.

Enemy Work

There are times in our lives when we have to remove someone from our environment for whatever reason. Sometimes they just don't want to go or maybe they are causing us problems and they have to be removed. This type of work should not be done on a whim or taken lightly. This is serious work; you need to have a good reason for doing it. I only use this type of work when all else fails. Unless there is a threat to me or my family; if this is the case I can promise you there will be no hesitation on my part to deploy this type of work. As a rule for me though in a normal situation I will try other things first.

Here are a few things you can try to keep someone from coming around you before you use harsher measures such as hot foot. You can place a broom behind your door with the broom handle down and the straw pointing upward. You can say a petition to keep unwanted visitors from your home while standing the broom up behind the door.

You can wait until they leave your home and make a circle going counterclockwise around the chair they sat in with a mixture of red pepper and salt. Do this while making your petition that they not return to your home. Then you sweep this mixture out the door in which they left.

You can also sprinkle a mixture of salt and red pepper behind them as they leave while stating your petition that they not return. Then take your broom and sweep it all the way to the road.

If all else fails then move on to hot foot, running water, or some other type of work to get them away from you. If they are truly an enemy you can nail them down. There are a few ways I have done this, but I am going to give you a simple

way. You need a hammer, a railroad spike, and a picture of the person or a written petition with the person's name written on the petition nine times going away from you.

Take your hammer and other items to the West side of your yard. You will be facing West. Place the picture face down on the ground or petition. Place the spike over the picture or petition and with the hammer strike the spike three times driving it into the ground. On each strike call the person's name and tell them they are nailed down and whatever else you want to happen. Mark the spot and once a month take your hammer and hit the spot where the spike is while stating your petition. By doing this you are reinforcing your work.

By doing this you are stating your petition which will be for them to never come back, and you are nailing them down so they can't return. If you ever decide that you forgive them and want them to come back then just go and dig up the work. Also if you don't have a yard you can use a flower pot. I have one on my breeze way that has been there for a while now. You can put down your spike then plant a plant in the pot that has hardy roots. As the roots of the plant grow they will tangle up the spike. The only way for the spike to get free would be for you to cut the roots of the plant. So therefore the person the spike is named for can't get free of the work.

To Nail An Enemy Down

There are times when folks just don't know when to stop; for whatever reason we need to stop them. One of the easiest ways to do this is to nail them down. What this means is they can't do anything. They can't move forward unless you make

your petition where you just want them to leave you alone.

You need a railroad spike and a black marker. Write the person's name that you want to nail down on the railroad spike nine times. Stay focused on what you want to happen. When it is time for the sun to set take the spike and go outside. Face the West and hit the spike in the ground one time and say, "Just as the sun sets in the West so will you be set down." Hit the spike a final blow driving it into the ground and say, "The same way the sun can't rise in the West neither can you!"

If you ever want to let them up then pull the spike up. Clean the spike with Florida Water. Bless the spike in the name of God the Father, God the Son, and God the Holy Spirit. Then take to the East side of the yard and on the first hit say, "As the Sun rises in the East so shall you." On the final hit say, "As the Sun shines in the East so shall you shine."

To Be Rid Of an Unwanted Person

Write the person's name on a piece of paper nine times. Then write on top of their name what you want to happen. Next burn the paper and mix the ashes with the hot foot mixture. Then go to every crossroad between your home and the person you wish to be rid of; while calling their name three times at each crossroad and stating your intent sprinkle a little of your mixture. Take a different route home and forget about it. IT IS DONE!

Red pepper

Sulfur

Corn starch

Ant mound dirt and ants

Dirt Dauber nest

Graveyard dirt

Glass jar with a lid

Gather the ants and the dirt. Place them in the jar. Close the lid tight and leave the jar closed for about 12 hours.

Once the ants are not trying to get out of the jar anymore add the sulfur. Shake the jar until it is mixed well. Now add your red pepper; you should add enough until it has a pint tint to it. Once this is done shake the jar well again. Now add your corn starch. Shake the jar well. Now you should have a nice pink powder. Keep the lid on the jar tight to keep the dampness out.

To Block, Bind, and Return

If someone is really causing trouble and nothing you do seems to work then this will help you. There are some people you just can't be good to. They live on making other people miserable. You know the ole saying "misery loves company." They seem to be able to stir up as much crap as they can and they are never to blame. They basically get off free of their actions. People don't see them as they really are.

Well this little mirror trick will not only bind them but turn all their ugliness back on them. You need a photo of the person, two small mirrors, and some black thread. Place the photo between the two mirrors with the backs of the mirrors facing outward. Bind the mirrors with the black thread. They will be trapped inside of the mirrors and everything they do will be reflected back on them. This may seem very simple but it is a powerful work. No matter which way they turn they will see only themselves.

When they have learned their lesson you can release the work by cutting the thread and taking the photo from between the two mirrors.

Hot Foot

Earlier in the book I gave you the recipe for my hot foot powder. I also gave you an example on how to use the powder and incorporate the crossroads. I will only hot foot someone if everything else I have tried has failed. You have to be very careful using this recipe; it is strong and it truly works.

IF YOU DON'T KNOW WHAT YOU ARE DOING DON'T USE IT AS A SPRINKLE!

You could end up putting the hot foot on yourself or the person you are trying to help. I have two clients who did this to themselves by sprinkling the powders and getting it on themselves.

Not every case is the same or is worked the same. It really just depends on where Spirit leads me. One of the ways this powder can be used is as a sprinkle. You would sprinkle the powder where you are sure the person will walk. While you are sprinkling the powder you call their name three times and tell them to leave. I would advise that if you use my recipe that you use it in a jar then you throw the jar in running water.

If I decide I need to make a hot foot jar I will write the person's name nine times going away from me on a piece of brown paper that I have drawn a circle on. Since the circle has no beginning and no ending it's like a barrier. There is no way to get past it. I place enough of the powder to cover the bottom of the jar. Then I place the name paper on top of the powder. Then I add another layer of the hot foot powder on top of the name paper. Then I will fill the jar the rest of the way with vinegar.

Once the jar is sealed I will work the jar for a few minutes. To do this you call the person's spirit while shaking the jar and you demand that they leave. I then give the jar to the client and advise them to work the jar for three days. Then take the jar and five pennies to running water and throw them in while

giving thanks to the water spirit for removing the person from their lives.

The hot foot candle I make was a gift from Spirit. I had a client come to me who was in a bad situation. She had someone in her home that she couldn't get rid of. I worked on this person for a little over six months. Everything I knew to make him leave only worked for a short while. He would leave but within two weeks time he would be back. I can tell you as a worker not everything works every time, but as determined as he was to stay, I was just as determined he was going to leave. So the battle continued until I was ready to say I quit. Finally I told my client that I was at the end of my rope and she would have to find someone else to help her because nothing I did seem to have worked. I made coffee and we sat there talking. She's an old client who I have worked off and on over the years.

She just wouldn't give up so I finally told her to let me pray on it and see what the Spirits had to say about it. I make and sell candles. Some are working candles and some just smell really good. I had a large order I needed to pour but by the time she left I needed a nap. I fell asleep with the candles I had to make on my mind. I dreamed of making a red candle that I had added the hot foot powder to. I woke myself up talking to this candle and calling on the warrior Black Hawk.

I got up and made myself a fresh cup of coffee, sat down at my kitchen table, and told Spirit to basically lead the way and I would follow. I wrote his name inside the circle nine times, and then I burnt the name paper. I mixed the ashes with a small amount of the hot foot powder minus the sulfur. I melted the wax and added the darkest color red I had to it. I

put the hot foot in the jar and called on Black Hawk give the candle the power to drive away and defeat the enemy. Then I poured wax over the ingredients as I continued to talk to Black Hawk.

Once the wax had hardened, off and on the rest of the day I would pick up the candle and talk to it. The next morning I went to my Black Hawk bucket and called him. I lit the candle and left it burning. This time the job stuck and I was given a gift by Spirit. Is it right or just to use hot foot on someone? Some will say that it is wrong; I say it depends on the situation. You will have to decide what is right for you and what is wrong for you to do. If you decide to hot foot someone just be very careful that you don't end up hot footing yourself.

TO MAKE PERSON LEAVE

Here's a simple but effective way to make a person who is causing problems to leave. Get you a white handkerchief, red pepper pod, graveyard dirt, and your petition paper. The first thing you need to do is lay out your handkerchief then you write the person's name nine times going away from you on your petition paper. Fold the paper away from you until it is a small cylinder. Set your petition aside for a minute and cut the dried pepper pod long ways. Then insert the petition into the pepper. Sprinkle the paper with graveyard dirt and ask the spirit to remove this problem.

Place the pepper pod in the center of the handkerchief and fold the handkerchief in half folding it away from you. Once the hankerchief is folded in half then keep folding it until it is a small roll. Pick both ends of the bundle up and tie it in strong

knots. On each knot state your petition. When this is done take it to running water and throw it in while stating your petition. It is done! They will leave you alone after this.

To Stop Gossip

If someone is gossiping about you, you can draw a mouth on an egg then write their name over the mouth of the egg. Once this is done place an X over the mouth to shut it. Dress the egg with the appropriate oil and then roll the egg in red pepper. Wrap the egg in a black cloth and place it in a safe place. Leave it there for nine days then take it to running water and throw it in the water. Also throw in an offering of five pennies. Every time the person says your name their mouth will burn. It won't be long until they stop talking about you. By throwing the egg in running water you are also removing the person from you.

Saint Ramon To Stop Gossip

Saint Ramon is a Spanish saint. He is used when you want to shut someone's mouth. If someone is harassing you and you want them to stop use San Ramon. Here's what you need:

San Ramon candle

1 penny

the person's name

marker

a powdered herb that is used to shut people up

Light the candle once a bit of wax has melted get some on your finger and place it over the face of San Ramon, then stick the penny over the face. Write the person's name under the penny in a straight line down the glass. Then sprinkle the powdered herb in the candle and call on San Ramon to shut their mouth. Let the candle burn all the way out. This works fast within three hours of lighting the candle.

To Cause Confusion

There are times when we just want someone to leave us alone. We don't want to harm them we just want them to forget about us. I have found that the easiest way to do this is very simple. If you have a picture of the person then you can use the picture for the job, but if you don't have a picture of them that's ok.

If you don't have a picture of the person you will do the work on then get a large piece of brown paper bag and your scissors. Draw a little dollie on the brown paper bag and then cut it out. Take a marker and draw the face on your dollie. Once you have the dollie ready name it for the person you are working on.

Once you have the dollie made dress the head of the dollie with confusion oil. Look the dollie in the face and state your petition. Tell the dollie that they will forget about you, you won't even cross their mind. Then turn the dollie upside down and tack it facing a wall. This not only confuses the person the dollie represents but it also blocks them from harming you. Any time you place someone up against the wall they can't move against you; they are blocked by the wall.

If you are lucky enough to have a picture of the person then you dress their head with the confusion oil and place them upside down against the wall. This may seem like a simple trick. That's because it is but it works. If you were able to come into my work room you'll find a few of these. Once the person leaves you alone you can remove the picture or dollie if you want to.

Working with Oil Lamps

In the ole days most folks used oil lamps for their work. Candles were hard to come by unless they made their own for their home. So it only makes sense that they would use these lamps in Conjure work. Some may have a different opinion on this and that's ok too. I know what I caught my mama doing and know what she could do. So I trust my own eyes. You have to decide how you want to work. This is just another choice.

I use the liquid candle oil they sell at Wal-mart, not the kerosene lamp oil. If I am doing a long term job I prefer to use the oil lamp instead of candles. You can continue to feed this type of lamp as it burns, you can also adjust the flame on them. Unlike candles as long as you keep the lamp full of oil the flame will never be extinguished until you choose to turn the flame off. I know in days gone by people stopped using this type of lamp because the kerosene smokes so bad and has a bad odor. The liquid candle oil doesn't have an odor nor does it smoke when being burnt.

By using this type of magic the ingredients are infused into the oil; which makes the work stronger. In some ways the oil lamp is safer to use than candles. For one thing you don't have to worry about the jar breaking or the candle not burning right because you added too many ingredients to it. Everyone has their own way of working. This is just another way to get a job done.

Domination Lamp

This lamp does a few things and I'll be truthful. I started not to place it in this book. Then I decided that the person who reads this will decide if they choose to use this lamp or not. I call this a domination lamp but it also controls the person it is being worked on along with a little confusion. Dirt Dauber nest is used to control, dominate, and confuse a person. A pinch of red pepper will also confuse a person, but I add it to this lamp to give the lamp a little heat. Take my advice when I say a pinch I mean just a pinch. Master Root is used just as the name implies so you will be the master. High

John conquers all things that stand in your way. Calamus root dominates, controls, and defeats a person's will.

You need to get the person's sock who you will be working on. Remove a small piece of the heel of the sock. It needs to be a dirty sock. If you can't get a sock then just leave it out of the lamp. You also need to make a small wax poppet and place a few pieces of calamus root in the head of the poppet. You will name the poppet; you will need to know the person's date of birth for this. Then you need to write out your name paper. For this you will write the person's name inside of a circle nine times. Once you have everything ready make a bed of the herbs inside the lamp then place the heel of their sock, the name paper, and the poppet on top of the herbs. Using the rest of the herbs cover the poppet with them.

Now pour your oil into the lamp slowly so you won't disturb the bed. If this lamp is being used on someone you love add a little loveage and a little powdered sugar to the herbs. This will sweeten up the person. Not everyone who uses this type of work does so just to dominate another person. Sometimes this type of work is the only solution they have. Like my mama used to tell us, "You don't know what goes on behind closed doors." In some cases leaving and moving on may not be an option. So people do what they have to do. Say your prayers and then light the lamp. Work the lamp daily for at least the first seven days then once a week after that.

Graveyard Work

Graveyard dirt can be used in many ways. It can be used in protection, love, crossing, and domination work just to name a few. I have heard about many ways to use graveyard

dirt over the years. Some say there are certain times to go to the graveyard, certain phases of the moon, what days one should collect on, the list goes on and on. I go anytime I need to petition the spirits for help. I'm not going to wait until the full moon or whatever if I have a job that needs to be done. The only rule I do follow and this is my own rule is that I won't petition help from spirits who are not my kin or who I didn't know in life.

Why, because I am not going to ask some unknown spirit to help me. This is very dangerous, when dealing with spirits you have to use common sense. Just because a person has passed on doesn't mean that they have all a sudden became a good person. Their spirit is the same maybe even stronger now that they have passed. I'm going to give you a little example of what I am talking about. My brother got into a little trouble with the law. I live about an hours drive from the graveyard where my parents are buried. My brother was off working at the time so he couldn't go get the dirt for me. I couldn't leave to go get it so I asked his girlfriend if she would go get it and bring it to me. She agreed to go for me even though she had never done anything like this before.

I talked to my parents at my altar and explained everything to them. I told them why I couldn't go to them myself. I felt like everything would go well, wrong. I called her and told her to go ahead and get the dirt. I told her to talk to them and tell them again why she was there. Well when she got back home she called me and told me about her experience.

She did everything like I told her to. She got the dirt off my mama's grave just fine but when she went to get dirt off my daddy's grave she had a real hard time just getting a few

you go there you will be building energy with your prayers or whatever you plan to do. Entities are drawn to this energy you are putting out. Why in the world would you go there without protection? Please use your common sense. Now you've done your work and you go home. Maybe nothing attached itself to you or maybe it did. Why take the chance? Cleanse yourself just to be on the safe side. It's better to be safe than sorry.

Once I have my protection bath, I gather whatever I need to bring with me. Then I go to my ancestor altar. I call on my spiritual protector and my ancestors. I ask them to protect me and keep me safe. I explain to them about the work I will be doing. I say my prayers and then I leave to go to the grave-yard. The whole time I am driving to the graveyard I am praying. Not only that I be protected, but also that the work I will do will be a success.

When I get to the road that leads to the graveyard I leave an offering. I call to the keeper of the gate and ask permission to enter. By the time I reach the gate I know if I can go in or not. Then at the gate I will leave another offering. I usually leave three pennies. I can't stress enough how important it is to be respectful when you enter the graveyard. You are there to ask for assistance. Ask is the key word here.

When I reach the grave the first thing I do is say a prayer for them. Then I will talk to them for a while. Even though I will be paying for the work or dirt no one likes to feel used not even the spirits. When I feel the time is right I will tell them what I need help with. At this point it is important that you listen. Why? Well there have been a few times when I was lead to do something different than what I planned on doing. Not

only did the work turn out right but also it was very powerful.

One of the jobs has lasted over ten years. I guess you could call me the keeper of my family. When things go wrong I'm the one they come to. One of my brothers got into some trouble trying to help someone out. He was where he shouldn't have been to start with, but I guess that is beside the point. Any way he got jumped on by two brothers. You know the type; tough guys when a friend is around. Well needless to say they came out with the raw end of the deal. Their daddy is the type that if you mess with his kids whether they are wrong or right he's going to come after you.

One night my younger brother calls me. He says, "Sister I need to tell you something." I knew the minute I heard his voice something was wrong. He talked. I listened until he finished. I asked if my brother had called the police and told them what was going on. He said no that he thought it would just blow over. What happened was the boys went home and lied to their daddy. They told him my brother jumped them. One against two! How smart would that have been?

Any way as the story goes the old man went looking for my brother with a gun. Thank God he didn't find him. I was past furious when I heard this. I hung up with him and called my brother to find out what really happened. Sure enough word had gotten back to him that the old man was hunting him. We were raised to respect our elders so when I asked my brother what he was going to do he said, "I'm not going to do anything. I don't have a problem with that old man." I told him well I have a problem with him. Nobody threatens my family. He let me rant and rave until I ran out of steam.

He was going out on a job in a few days and would be

gone for a while. He thought everything would have cooled down by the time he got back. I knew better. We had heard tales about this mean ole guy our whole lives so I knew he wasn't going to just let it go. So when I hung up with him I started thinking of what could be done not only to save my brother but also to stop the old man from ruining his own life over a lie.

I don't usually work when I'm upset because I'm not sure what I might do. This night was different though. I made a wax poppet and named it for the old man. I taped his eyes and his hands then used confusion, controlling, and domination oils. I bound the poppet with black thread and then I nailed him in a small black box. It was my intentions to take him to the graveyard, bury him there, and never go get him out again. At that point I really didn't care what happened to him. I didn't dare work on his sons. I was too furious. It's no telling what I would have done to them.

Sleep didn't come easy to me that night and the next morning I went straight to the graveyard. There will be times that you will do the work that you will never forget. For me this is one of those works. You should never do this type of work when you are angry or upset especially if you are going to do graveyard work. I let my emotions override my common sense and my knowledge. I am so thankful that my mama took over and stopped me from doing something I would have been sorry for later on. I don't remember everything that happened that day. I remember getting out of my truck and running to my mama's grave holding the box. I remember just falling to my knees holding the box and just babbling. I can't

tell you how long I stayed there like that. The next thing I remember I was warm all over and at peace.

It was as if my mama was holding me as she had done when something happened to hurt or upset me. I swear I could hear her talking to me. She would not allow me to bury the box. She said she would take care of things. She told me to go home and to do a work that would open the old man's eyes so he would see the truth and that she would take care of the rest. I went home and called my brother and told him what happened. Then I went and did the work.

A couple of months went by and I would call him every now and again just to make sure everything was all right. Then out of the blue he calls me one day. He says, "Sister the problem is over. I don't know what you did or how you did it, but it worked." I said what are you talking about? He had ran into the old man the night before. The old man asked if he could speak with him. My brother said he told him ok because he didn't have a problem with him and didn't want any trouble. The old man said he wasn't there to make trouble.

Come to find out more than one person had approached the old man and told him that his boys were at fault; that the both of them jumped my brother and he was just defending himself. He shook my brother's hand and told him that if his sons were ever stupid enough to do something like that again then they deserved whatever they got and he wasn't going to step into it. To this day no matter where this man meets my brother he speaks to him.

There are two very important lessons I learned here. One is to never let my emotions get control of my work, and number two is to always listen to what the spirits have to say. This could have turned out so very different. Not only for the people involved but also for me. I was very lucky. So please think before you act. Every action causes a reaction and when you are dealing with this type of work you have to be careful. I could have really been harmed by going to the graveyard with my emotions the way they were. The fury I had boiling in me at that moment could have drawn a dark entity to me that could have attached itself to me. I shudder to think what could have happened. Just please think before you act.

Before we move on I would like to say this: don't just go visit the graveyard when you need help. Go on the holidays. Pick a grave to clean and add fresh flowers for the person resting there. Speak with the spirit of the person. Let them know they are not forgotten. One day you may need their help.

Collecting Graveyard Dirt

When I'm ready to get my dirt I use my pendulum to find out where is the best place to get dirt from. I always check myself. I have learned over the years that this is a good habit to have. Sometimes I will get dirt from more than one place on the grave. It just depends on what the pendulum says. Once I did some work to drive someone away from my daughter. I had already made a wax dollie to which I had mixed hot foot into the dollie along with personal items and the ashes of my petition. This probably would have been enough but I wanted to make sure the job was done fast.

I was going to take the dirt from the heart area of my mama's grave because she loved my daughter so much. I knew she would take care of the problem. Instead I was led to take dirt from the left hand and foot of the grave. So once again the

spirit changed the work to be done. The left hand explains itself but it took me a while to figure out the foot thing. I was puzzled about that all the way home. Then like lights coming on I remember my mama telling us many times that the best way to defeat someone is to walk on them meaning put them under your foot. If someone is causing you trouble write their name on a petition and either place it on the floor and stomp on it or wear it in your shoe to walk on them.

It doesn't take a lot of dirt to get the work done. I always just take a tablespoon or so. Once I get the dirt I'll drop some coins in the hole where I take the dirt. This pays for the dirt. I never give my mama whiskey; she was against any type of alcohol. So I always bring her strong black coffee. I will either place a cup in the hole or fill it with coffee or if I forget to bring the cup I will just pour the coffee in the hole. She smoked Pall Mall cigarettes so I always bring her some. I will open the pack and light one. I give her three puffs then place the cigarette on the edge of the hole so she can smoke some. I leave the rest of the pack for her. Once I give all the offerings I will give thanks for the help given.

When I am at the gate I also thank the gatekeeper for letting me in and for protecting me. I leave three more pennies on my way out. By leaving three more pennies at the gate I know the gate keeper won't let anything follow me. Once I drive out of the gate I don't look in my mirrors until I am well away from the graveyard. I don't want to maybe draw a spirit to me that may be lingering outside the graveyard. Always be respectful of the spirits and always pay your debt to them. You really never know when you may need them.

We need to remember that graveyard work is a lot more

than just enemy work. We also need to remember that when you go to the graveyard it is important that you protect yourself. I have found that some folks have been taught or believe that they can go to the graveyard and do your work without protection. This is a misconception. Before you go to the graveyard you need to do a protection work for yourself. Common sense tells us this; you are entering the place where spirits live.

When you finish your work at the graveyard you need to cleanse yourself. You don't want to take a chance that something might have followed you home. I always carry a spray bottle with me that have 1 cap of ammonia, kosher salt, and frankincense added to the water. I spray my feet and my body with this spray after leaving the graveyard while saying the Lord's Prayer. Once I get home I do a good cleansing. It's always better to use caution when doing this type of work.

War Water

In the old days war water was thrown against an enemy's door; if you try that today you might go to jail. As times change we must adapt to these changes. War water means exactly what it says. It is used in a campaign to start a war against another person. I have read that in days gone by the water was prepared in mason jars and the whole thing was busted up against the enemy's door. In this day and time that would definitely not be a very good idea, but you can use the same technique just in a different way.

The ingredients in the water is what makes the water work. I understand the reasoning of busting the jar against the door. Glass cuts, not only that but there is a violent element of throwing the jar at the door. You can have the same effect without busting the jar. You can use the war water as a sprinkle, by laying a trick on the person with whom you have a conflict with. I had this problem years ago with an in-law who was causing major problems for my sister. The whole family was in an uproar because this messy little woman couldn't stop stirring up trouble. She was very jealous of my sister and at every turn kept things stirred up. I tried to talk to her. I even did some light work on her.

The work would last for a while then we were right back where we started. I had read about war water but there was no way I was going to throw a mason jar at her door. For one thing I couldn't have done it and gotten away without getting caught. One night I was sitting outside during a real bad thunderstorm. Lightning was flashing and the thunder was so bad it shook the ground. I thought well thunder shakes and lightning burns so why not make war water out of the rain water from the storm.

So I went inside got me a bucket and caught me some water. The next day I added some rusted nails my husband had in his shop, some broken glass, rose thorns (because they prick and make you bleed), needles, and dirt where three dogs had fought in a yard. While the water was setting I went everyday three times a day and worked the jar making my petition for the purpose of the water.

I let the water sit until it became stagnant, then I put a little in a coke bottle and went for a visit. The minute I

stepped out of my truck I started sprinkling the water. I emptied the rest on the porch while stating my petition. I went inside, sat down, had a cup of coffee, then left. Needless to say she is not in the family anymore and doesn't have any contact with my sister at all.

You can adapt anything to make it work without changing the meaning of the work. Don't get yourself in trouble trying to follow an old way of doing things when you can just do the work a little differently and have the same effect.

Prayer to Stop Slander/Shut Up

"We need Thee, O Lord, to curb vicious tongues from making cruel judgments, vile criticisms, and untruthful statements. Dear Almighty God, silence our enemies. Keep them from speaking barbed words that cut into our hearts and souls. Make their unkind words fall upon deaf ears and shield us from their wickedness and evil. O Lord, make us sweet inside that we may be gentle with others, gentle in what we say, and gentle in what we do. In Thine own strong name we do pray. Amen"

Tapa Boca/Shut Up Candle

Get a shut up candle using a permanent marker write the offender's name on the mouth that is on the candle. Then get a piece of tape and put it over the name and mouth. Sprinkle a little calamus inside the candle and put the name paper down in the candle. Light the candle and call the person's spirit. Tell

them they will shut their mouth and keep it shut.

Shut Yer Mouth Conjure

Let's face the facts. Some people have nothing better to do with their lives than to gossip and lie about others. They don't seem to care about the damage their lies can do to the person. These types of people are everywhere you find them on the job, in families, and on the internet. We all need to know how to stop those who would gossip and lie on us. They need to get a taste of their own medicine and have their actions turned back on them.

Above is a work I did for a client who was being gossiped about on the job. She almost lost her livelihood due to a couple of busy bodies who couldn't stop running off at the mouth. I wasn't sure how I was going to handle the work. Sometimes when we think we know who is causing the problem there are others hiding out of the way. People you don't even think would try to harm you by spreading gossip and rumors.

I have made it a practice when I do this type of work not to call anyone's name. I always say all my enemies known and unknown. The Spirit knows who has wronged you. This way you don't harm someone who is innocent. I have a couple of variations I do of this work. It all depends on what I feel needs to be done. The work in the photograph is really simple but it is effective.

The dollie is made out of very soft wax so the wax is easy to work with. While I am shaping the dollie I think about my

client and the gossip and hurtful energies being directed at them. I never bless this type of work. Once I have the dollie shaped I take a coffin nail and make holes for the eyes and the mouth. I make them kind of deep because I am going to stuff them. I save the wax that I removed from the eyes and mouth because I am going to use it to plug up the mouth and close their eyes.

Once the dollie is made I sprinkle it with water three times and say, "I name you for all of _______ enemies known and unknown, whatever is done to you is done to them. Whatever affects you affects them." Then I take the dollie back to my workspace. I fill the hole I made for the mouth with my Shut Yer Mouth oil then I stuff the mouth with slippery elm. I then take a piece of the wax I saved and seal the mouth shut with it while stating my petition that my client's enemies mouths be sealed. Next I fill the eyes with black mustard seeds then I close them up with a thin layer of wax. I state my petition that they will not see my client; I pray that they are confused everytime they see her. I also fill the head with black mustard seeds so they will stay confused when they think of my client.

Now the dollie is ready for the next step. I soak two pieces of cotton yarn in my Shut Yer Mouth oil. One piece I use to bind the dollie's hands so my client's enemies can't work against them. I tie three knots while stating my petition that they can not lift a hand against my client. I then wrap the mouth and the head with the petition that they not see or speak of my client. Their eyes and mouth are sealed shut. I also close this with three knots. When this is done I turn the

dollie on its head. I then place two small hot peppers called "Pico" in each foot. So if these people try to come near my client it will be too hot for them.

Once the dollie was set up I had my client take the black taper and wipe herself down with the taper. I did this so the offenders could get a taste of their own works. This work is two fold; you have not only shut their mouth but you have bound them so they can cause no more harm. They won't even think about you.

Prayers Against Your Enemy

Below you will find various prayers from the bible that can be used when you are dealing with an enemy. Like the psalms these prayers have the power to drive your enemies away from you and defeat them. There are many of these types of prayers in the bible. You just have to look for them.

Isaiah 54:17

No weapon that is formed against thee shall prosper; and every tongue that shall rise against thee in judgment thou shalt condemn. This is the heritage of the servants of the Lord, and their righteousness is of me, saith the Lord.

Luke 1:74

That he would grant unto us, that we being delivered out of the hand of our enemies might serve him without fear.

Psalm 27:5-6

For in the time of trouble he shall hide me in his pavilion: in the secret of his tabernacle shall he hide me; he shall set me up upon a rock.

And now shall mine head be lifted up above mine enemies round about me: Therefore will I offer in his tabernacle sacrifices of joy; I will sing praises unto the Lord.

Jeremiah 39:17-18

But I will deliver thee, in that day, saith the Lord: and thou shalt not be given into the hand of the men of whom thou art afraid.

For I will surely deliver thee, and thou shalt not fall by the sword, but thy life shall be for a prey unto thee: because thou hast put thy trust in me, saith the Lord.

2 Kings 17:39

But the Lord your God ye shall fear; and he shall deliver you out of the hand of all your enemies.

Isaiah 41:11-12

Behold, all they that were incensed against thee shall be ashamed and confounded: they shall be as nothing; and they that strive with thee shall perish.

Thou shalt seek them, and shalt not find them, even them that contended with thee: they that war against thee shall be as nothing, and as a thing of nought.

Proverbs 3:25-26

Be not afraid of sudden fear, neither of the desolation of the wicked, when it cometh.

For the Lord shall be thy confidence, and shall keep thy foot from being taken.

Luke 1:71

That we should be saved from our enemies and from the hand of all that hate us.

Acts 18:10

For I am with thee, and no other man shall set on thee to hurt thee: for I have much people in this city.

Hebrews 13:6

So that we may lay boldly say, the Lord is my helper, and I will not fear what man shall do unto me.

I know that some of you who read this will say "I don't read the Bible! I am not Christian, I don't believe in the church! I don't want to have anything to do with the Bible!" I have heard this and more numerous times from my students and from others.

I say, "Stop right there!" Forget about all the rules of the Church; all the man made rules and really look at the Bible for what it is. A work of power! Words hold power; prayer holds power! Forget everything else, but that the words written in this book

we call the Bible HOLDS POWER!

Old Style Conjure is built around this great book and the wisdom it holds. If you remove the Bible from Old Style Conjure work then what you are doing really isn't Conjure work! It then becomes something else. If you can hold the greatest Conjure book ever written in your hands and learn the power from it; why in the world would you let anyone stop you?

I know a lot of folks grit their teeth when they are told Old Style Conjure is built around the Bible, the Saints, the Psalms, and around prayers. Well it is. These things make up conjure work! Without them you AIN'T doing Conjure work; plain and simple. So if you want to be a worker open up this great book and search for the things that are there to help you achieve what you need in life.

Just to prove what I'm saying is the truth, I'm going to add some chapters and verses from this great book that will help your work be a success. All you have to do is put them to good use. I'm not going to write out the verses for you. Get a Bible and read them. Below you will find some of the chapters and verses I depend on in my work.

For Deliverance

- 2 Samuel 22 V 2-4
- 2 Samuel 22 V 5-25
- 2 Samuel 22 V 48-51
- 2 Kings 19 V 19

Psalm 71 V 3-5

Psalm 18 V 3-19

Proverbs 11 V 1-6

Proverbs 11 V 8-9

Jeremiah 15 V 15-17 Jeremiah 39 V 17-18

Zephaniah 3 V 17-20

Spiritual Weapons

Psalm 120 V 1-7

Psalm 144 V 1-2

Isaiah 8 V 9-10

Joel 3 V 9-10

2 Corinthians 6 V 4-10

Ephesians 6 V 10-18

Victory

Numbers 10 V 9

Psalm 7 V 13-16

Psalm 44 V 5-8 Proverbs 21 V 31

Reversal Work

Psalm 7 V 13-16

Success Joshua 1 V 5-9

Job 36 V 7-11

Psalm 1 V 1-3

Psalm 92 V 12-15

Psalm 118 V 5-17 Isaiah 60 V 17-21

Jeremiah 1 V 7-10

Prosperity Genesis 30 V 43

Genesis 49 V 22-26

Deuteronomy 8 V 11-18 2 Chronicles 31 V 10

Proverbs 8 V 18-21

Proverbs 10 V 22-24

Psalm 112 V 1-9

Ezekiel 36 V 29-30

Nahum 2 V 2-9

2 Corinthians 9 V 5-15 Protection

Numbers 23 V 23-24

Deuteronomy 33 V 27-29 1 Chronicles 16 V 21-24

Job 1 V 10 Proverbs 1 V 33

Ezekiel 34 V 11-12

Ezekiel 34 V 23-27

Joel 3 V 16

Luke 21 V 17-19

Zachariah 9 V 8

Romans 16 V 17-20

I have to say this before I close out the book. Always work the way you feel comfortable working. Don't let anyone tell you how to do your work. I've been working for a little over 25 years and have learned that you have to be comfortable with the way you work. There is nothing written in stone. Hoodoo has been passed down over the years through families. No two families were taught to work the same. You will find if you talk to rootworkers there are many different ways to do the same trick. None of them are right but none of them are wrong either. That's the way they were taught to do the work. What I'm trying to say is find what works for you. Don't worry about how Bob, Betty, or Joe does the job. If it works for you then that is what matters.

I would also like to say that if you are interested in Hoodoo and would like to become a worker, Cat at Lucky Mojo has a wonderful course. I graduated from her course and I feel it is the best place to start if you want to be a worker. She has thousands of pages of information on her site. Thanks Cat for all your hard work.

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