# Magic Concerns

Movie Exposés, Cards, Fantasy, Yoga, Rock, Illuminati, New Age, Halloween, etc.



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### Introduction

Though I do not find all books etc. which have some supernatural power not ascribed to God as evil, I do see that we must take caution against many of the overly magical card games and other forms of entertainment which often carry a dark and occultic theme.

There is a trend to spiritualize the scriptures in a corrupt way of saying that nothing in them is to be taken literally. Let us consider some scriptures against witchcraft, which may guide our choices regarding media consumption.

# Beware Magic & The Spiritual Dark Side – Quotes

-Today there is a global epidemic of mischaracterizing Christian colonists of early American history. Magic and Satanism were not countenanced by righteous Puritans, Pilgrims, Huguenots, Quakers, Covenanters, and other reformed Christians, neither was it countenanced by their "humble" descendants. The BofM says those who founded America were "saints of God" who had the power of God (1 Ne. 13:15-18). The Stoddards Urim & Thummim vs Seer Stone book has a chapter on how 'folk magic' could not have inspired the restoration, as progressive scholars claim. Gordon B. Hinckley said "the fact that there were superstitions among the people in the days of Joseph Smith is no evidence whatever that the Church came of such superstition." (GBHinckley, "Lord, Increase Our Faith" Ensign Nov. 1987)

"A warning: there is a dark side to spiritual things. In a moment of curiosity or reckless bravado some teenagers have been tempted to toy with **Satan worship**. Don't you ever do that! Don't associate with those who do! You have no idea of the danger! Leave it alone! And there are other foolish games and activities that are on that dark side. Leave them alone!" (Boyd K. Packer, Ensign, May 1989, p. 54)

"It is not good practice to become intrigued by Satan and his mysteries. No good can come from getting close to evil. Like playing with fire, it is too easy to get burned. The only safe course is to keep well distanced from him and any of his wicked activities or nefarious practices. The mischief of devil worship, sorcery, casting spells, witchcraft, voodooism, black magic, and all other forms of demonism should be avoided like the plague." (James E. Faust, The Great Imitator, Oct. 1987)

"If there is anything virtuous, lovely, or of good report or praiseworthy, we seek after these things." (Joseph Smith, 13th Article of Faith)

-In 1841 George A. Smith (Joseph Smith Jr.'s cousin) and Wilford Woodruff excommunicated a member for "fortune telling" and "magic". They said there should be "no such custom or practice in the Church, & that we should not fellowship any individual who Practiced Magic fortune Telling, Black art &c for it was not of God." (Wilford Woodruff journals and papers, 1828-1898; 1841 Jan. – 1842 Dec.) (Full quote on p195 of "Seer Stone v Urim & Thumim" by Stoddards.)

-Joseph F. Smith said don't believe in superstitious notions, that these will result in loss of the Spirit of God and the Priesthood, and that those who subscribe to these things will be "subject to the witchery of Satan". That it is a "trick of Satan" to deceive; that these "peepstone-men and women are inspired by the devil, and are the real witches, if any such there be. Witchcraft, and all kindred evils, are soley the creations of the superstitious imaginations of men and women who are steeped in ignorance, and derive their power over people from the devil, and those who submit to this influence are deceived by him. Unless they repent, they will be destroyed. There is absolutely no possibility for a person who enjoys the Holy Spirit of God even to believe that such influences can have any effect upon him." That "you can never obtain that [Holy] Spirit by seeking diviners, and men and women who peep and mutter" who are "emissaries of Satan" which "lead you down to darkness and death" and that "it is impossible for anyone possessing the spirit of the gospel and having the power of the priesthood to believe in or be influenced by any power of necromancy." (Improvement Era 5 (Sept. 1902): 896-899) (Full quote on p195 of "Seer Stone v Urim & Thumim" by Stoddards.)

-"Magic is an inversion, a blatant mockery of the Kingdom of God. The Lord's Kingdom and the devil's kingdom are not conjoined playgrounds upon which one can simply alternate between depending upon one's mood...magic is not a tool of the Lord, nor is it neutral ground." (Hannah & James Stoddard, "Urim & Thummim vs Seer Stone" p.206-7

#### -Magic Defined

- -Webster's 1828 Dictionary, contemporary with Joseph Smith's era, defines magic as "the art or science of **putting into action the power of spirits**; or the science of producing wonderful effects by the aid of superhuman beings, or of departed spirits; sorcery; enchantment. Superstitious or geotic magic consists in the **invocation of devils or demons, and supposes some tacit or express agreement between them and human beings.**"
- -Today's Encyclopedia Britannica has a similar entry on "Magic": "Practices classified as magic include **divination**, **astrology**, **incantations**, **alchemy**, **sorcery**, **spirit meditation**, **and necromancy**.... The purpose of magic is to acquire knowledge, power, love, or wealth; to heal or ward off illness or danger; to guarantee productivity or success in an endeavour; to cause harm to an enemy; to reveal information; **to induce spiritual transformation**; **to trick**; **or to entertain**. The effectiveness of magic is often determined by the condition and performance of the magician, who is thought to have **access to unseen forces and special knowledge of the appropriate words and actions to manipulate those forces**." (accessed Jan. 6 2017)

## Beware Playing Cards – Teachings of the Prophets

"While a simple game of cards in itself may be harmless, it is a fact that by immoderate repetition it ends in an infatuation for chance schemes, in habits of excess, in waste of precious time, in dulling and stupor of the mind, and in the complete destruction of religious feeling. These are serious results, evils that should and must be avoided by the Latter-day Saints. Then again, there is the grave danger that lurks in persistent card playing, which begets the spirit of gambling, of speculation and that awakens the dangerous desire to get something for nothing (President Joseph F. Smith, Improvement Era, Vol. 6, August, 1903, p. 779).

"Card playing is an intoxicating and therefore, in the nature of a vice. It is generally the companion of the cigaret and wine glass.....A deck of cards in the hands of a faithful servant of God is a satire upon religion...Those who thus indulge are not fit to administer in sacred ordinance...The bishops are charged with the responsibility for the evil and it is their duty to see that it is abolished...No man who is addicted to card playing should be called to act as a ward teacher.....Card playing is a game of chance and because it is a game of chance it has its tricks. It encourages tricks.... (President Joseph F. Smith, Gospel Doctrine, 5th ed., pp. 328-332).

"We hope faithful Latter-day Saints will not use the playing cards which are used for gambling, either with or without the gambling. As for the gambling, in connection with horse racing or games or sports, we firmly discourage such things (President Spencer W. Kimball, "God Will Not Be Mocked", October 1974 General Conference).

"One's character may be determined in some measure by the quality of one's amusements. Men and women of industrious business-like, and thoughtful habits care little for frivolous pastimes, for pleasures that are sought for their own sake. It is not easy to imagine that leading men in the Church would find any pleasure that was either inspiring or helpful at

the card table (President Joseph F. Smith, Gospel Doctrine, 5th ed., Salt Lake City: Deseret Book Co., 1939, p. 329).

"One type of gambling that has been vigorously criticized by our leaders is card playing. Cards may, of course, be played without playing for money, but the relationship between card playing and gambling is so close and the practice of card playing itself partakes of so many of the disadvantages of gambling that card playing has come under condemnation regardless of whether or not gambling is involved (Dallin H. Oaks, November 1972 Ensign).

"It follows that if members of the Church believe false doctrines; if they accept false educational theories; if they fall into the practices and abominations of the sectarians; if they use tea, coffee, tobacco or liquor; if they fail to pay an honest tithing; if they find fault with the Lord's anointed; if they play cards; if they do anything contrary to the standards of personal righteousness required by the gospel -- then to that extent they are in personal apostasy and need to repent. Members of the Church should not belong to bridge or other type of card clubs, and they should neither play cards nor have them in their homes. By cards is meant, of course, the spotted face cards used by gamblers. To the extent that church members play cards they are out of harmony with their inspired leaders. Innocent non-gambling games played with other types of cards, except for the waste of time in many instances, are not objectionable. (Bruce R. McConkie, Mormon Doctrine, 2d ed., p. 113).

"It must be added that relaxation from the regular duties of the day is desirable and necessary for human well-being. Wholesome games of recreation are advocated by all right-minded people. Moreover, the objections [to card playing] are not directed against the many and various card games on the market not employing the usual "playing cards." Most of these furnish innocent and wholesome recreation, and many are really instructive. It is true that they may be played to excess, but in fact it seldom happens. This is true even when such cards are used in games imitating those with 'playing cards.' It is true that such cards may be used for gambling purposes, but in fact it is almost never done. The pall of evil seems to rest upon the 'playing cards' handed down to us from

antiquity (John A. Widtsoe, Evidences and Reconciliations, Murray & Gee, 1943, pp. 218-19).

"It has been observed through centuries of experience that the habit of card playing becomes fixed upon a person and increases until he feels that a day without a game of cards is incomplete. After an afternoon or evening at card-playing, nothing has been changed, no new knowledge, thoughts, or visions have come, no new hopes or aspirations have been generated, except for another opportunity to waste precious hours. It leads nowhere; it is a dead-end road. Dull and deadly is a life which does not seek to immerse itself in the rapidly moving stream of new and increasing knowledge and power. Time is required to 'keep up with the times.' We dare not waste time on pastimes that starve the soul. ~Elder John A. Widtsoe

"The Church, as a church, requests its members not to play cards. ~ President Heber J. Grant

"Burn up playing cards if you have any. ~ President Brigham Young

"Let all chance games be banished from our families. ~ President Joseph F. Smith

(Special thanks to the "Principles of the Gospel" blog for helping compile these quotes, see <a href="https://principlesofthegospel.blogspot.com/2012/02/face-cards.html">https://principlesofthegospel.blogspot.com/2012/02/face-cards.html</a>)

# Scriptures Against Magic: Old Testament (paste full text into these)

Exodus 22:18

Leviticus 19:31

Deuteronomy 18:10

Joshua 13:22

1 Samuel 15:23

1 Samuel 28:3, 5-25

2 Kings 23:24

2 Chronicles 33:6

Jeremiah 27:9

Ezekiel 13:23

Micah 5:12

Nahum 3:4

Malachi 3:5

# Scriptures Against Magic: New Testament

Acts 8:9-12

Acts 13:6-12

Galatians 3:1

Galatians 5:19-21

Revelation 9:21

Revelation 21:8

Revelation 22:14-15

# Scriptures Against Magic: Book of Mormon

2 Nephi 12:6

Alma 1:32

3 Nephi 21:16

Mormon 1:19

Mormon 2:10

# Scriptures Against Magic: Doctrine & Covenants

Doctrine and Covenants 76:103

Doctrine and Covenants 63:17

# Scriptures Against Magic: Pearl of Great Price (Pending)

## Biblical Verses sorting in above

- -"Thou shalt not suffer a witch to live." (Exo. 22:18)
- -"A man also or woman that hath a familiar spirit, or that is a wizard, shall surely be put to death: they shall stone them with stons: their blood shall be upon them." (Lev. 20:27)
- -It is obvious that toying with the dark arts is an abomination to the Lord. He does not celebrate or tolerate this serious sin.
- -"When thou art come into the land which the Lord thy God giveth thee, thou shalt not learn to do after the abominations of those nations. There shall not be found among you any one that maketh his son or his daughter to pass through the fire, or that useth divination, or an observer of times, or an enchanter, or a witch, Or a charmer, or a consulter with familiar spirits, or a wizard, or a necromancer. For all that do these things are an abomination unto the Lord: and because of these abominations the Lord thy God doth drive them out from before thee." (Deut. 18:9-12)
- -Jesus told the Lehites in the new world: "And I [Jesus Christ] will cut off witchcrafts out of thy land, and thou shalt have no more soothsayers...And I will pluck up thy groves out of the midst of thee..." (3 Ne. 21:16-18)
- -"And it came to pass that there were sorceries, and witchcrafts, and magics; and the power of the evil one was wrought upon all the face of the land, even unto the fulfilling of all the words of Abinadi, and also Sanuel the Lamanite." (Mormon 1:19)
- -"For those who did not belong to their church did indulge themselves in sorceries, and in idolatry..." (Alma 1:32)
- -"And it came to pass, as we went to prayer, a certain damsel possessed with a spirit of divination met us, which brought her masters much gain by soothsaying: The same followed Paul and us, and cried, saying, These men are the servants of the most high God, which shew unto us the way of salvation. And this did she many days. But Paul, being grieved, turned

and said to the spirit, I command thee in the name of Jesus Christ to come out of her. And he came out the same hour." (Acts 16:16-18)

#### In conclusion:

-The Lord is "the same yesterday today and forever". (1 Ne. 10:18; Mormon 9:9; Heb. 13:8) If he condemned these things before, they are still evil today, despite a tolerance of them in media literature etc. being politically correct.

-Magicians and sorcerers and wise men (philosophers?) threw down their staffs and they too turned into serpents. Yes, they have power (from the devil). But Moses' swallowed theirs, showing that the power of God is always superior. (Exo. 7:8-12)

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Here is a list of passages on the bible and magic from https://www.kingjamesbibleonline.org/Bible-Verses-About-Magic/

https://www.openbible.info/topics/magic

<u>Leviticus 19:31</u> - Regard not them that have familiar spirits, neither seek after wizards, to be defiled by them: I am the LORD your God.

**1 John 4:1** - Beloved, believe not every spirit, but try the spirits whether they are of God: because many false prophets are gone out into the world.

**2 Kings 21:6** - And he made his son pass through the fire, and observed times, and used enchantments, and dealt with familiar spirits and wizards: he wrought much wickedness in the sight of the LORD, to provoke him to anger.

<u>Revelation 21:8</u> - But the fearful, and unbelieving, and the abominable, and murderers, and whoremongers, and sorcerers, and idolaters, and all liars, shall have their part in the lake which burneth with fire and brimstone: which is the second death.

<u>Acts 8:9-13</u> - But there was a certain man, called Simon, which beforetime in the same city used sorcery, and bewitched the people of Samaria, giving out that himself was some great one: (*Read More...*)

<u>Isaiah 8:19</u> - And when they shall say unto you, Seek unto them that have familiar spirits, and unto wizards that peep, and that mutter: should not a people seek unto their God? for the living to the dead?

Acts 19:19 - Many of them also which used curious arts brought their books together, and burned them before all men: and they counted the price of them, and found it fifty thousand pieces of silver.

<u>Deuteronomy 18:10-12</u> - There shall not be found among you any one that maketh his son or his daughter to pass through the fire, or that useth divination, or an observer of times, or an enchanter, or a witch, (*Read More...*)

<u>Isaiah 47:12-14</u> - Stand now with thine enchantments, and with the multitude of thy sorceries, wherein thou hast laboured from thy youth; if so be thou shalt be able to profit, if so be thou mayest prevail. (*Read More...*)

<u>Deuteronomy 18:9-14</u> - When thou art come into the land which the LORD thy God giveth thee, thou shalt not learn to do after the abominations of those nations. (*Read More...*)

<u>Isaiah 19:3</u> - And the spirit of Egypt shall fail in the midst thereof; and I will destroy the counsel thereof: and they shall seek to the idols, and to the charmers, and to them that have familiar spirits, and to the wizards.

<u>Ezekiel 13:20</u> - Wherefore thus saith the Lord GOD; Behold, I am against your pillows, wherewith ye there hunt the souls to make them fly, and I will tear them from your arms, and will let the souls go, even the

souls that ye hunt to make them fly.

# <u>Evil Card Game "Magic The Gathering" – Michelle Jensen Responds to Advocates</u>

#### Shared with permission:

I am very disturbed with the fascination of LDS and Christian men and youth in playing the game "Magic: The Gathering". Some said they were first introduced to the game by their LDS bishop or Young Men's leader!

I don't even want my children looking at the card deck packages in stores, let alone purchasing them, bringing them into my home, and playing with them. Many of the cards are pornographic, necrophilic, and ALL are satanic and glorify witchcraft and sorcery. I am happy to share a sampling of these cards with you privately through a message, but I wouldn't even post them here due to the mature content.

Here are the rationalizations I have heard regarding this game-

1. "But it's just a game! It's not real. You're not REALLY casting spells on people, you are just pretending to."

Wait, what? Why would any God fearing follower of Christ play or allow their child to pretend to be involved in sorcery, which is condemned many times over in the Bible, and Book of Mormon?

Deuteronomy 18 (heading)

"Divination, spiritualism, and the like are abominations"

How can we stand against evil when we are entertained by it? This is similar to justifying looking at pornography or violence, as long as you don't act it out. It IS a "big deal".

2. "We take all of the REALLY bad cards out the deck before we play."

Again, WHAT? So you look at all of the pornographic, gore filled cards, then throw them out? You financially support a company that intentionally produces and targets their satanic pornography as a fun card game to youth? How can this be justified on any level?

"A warning: there is a dark side to spiritual things. In a moment of curiosity or reckless bravado some teenagers have been tempted to toy with Satan worship. Don't you ever do that! Don't associate with those who do! You have no idea of the danger! Leave it alone! And there are other foolish games and activities that are on that dark side. Leave them alone!" (Boyd K. Packer, Ensign, May 1989, p. 54)

"It is not good practice to become intrigued by Satan and his mysteries. No good can come from getting close to evil. Like playing with fire, it is too easy to get burned. The only safe course is to keep well distanced from him and any of his wicked activities or nefarious practices. The mischief of devil worship, sorcery, casting spells, witchcraft, voodooism, black magic, and all other forms of demonism should be avoided like the plague." (James E. Faust, The Great Imitator, Oct. 1987)

I plead with any of my friends who are involved in this to burn your cards and never turn to it again. I love you, and we, the daughters of God, need you all in the fight against evil in these last days!

### Star Wars: General Concerns

Some consider Star Wars to be an uplifting story of good vs evil, of using good religion (Jedi/light side) vs bad religion (Sith/dark side), being aware of personal weakness and passions, etc. I won't extoll the possible virtues of the series here, everyone seems to be savvy of those already. Here I wish to highlight some possible concerns, then each can chose for themselves.

If you chose to use this story for your family, this guide can still help you. I suggest at minimum that you skip certain immodest and horrifying scenes.

Ideally I suggest also skipping the last 3 movies altogether (ep.6-9) as they are more filled with filth, horror, feminist propaganda, & magical extremes.

<u>Language</u>: Generally wholesome with a few exceptions. The newest trilogy Eps. 7-9 has a few swear words, I don't advise those last 3 at all really.

<u>Costumes</u>: Generally wholesome and modest clothing of robes. I can say that the heroes always chose to dress modestly, which is great. One scene depicts Leah as an captive sex slave, being forced to wear immodest clothing. Yes it is evil that the bad guys did this and it isn't saying it's a good thing, but they didn't have to show that. The casino/bar scenes do have a few immodest characters passing by, as is common in those unruly environments. Unfortunately, Fin calls the casino they're in while looking for a hacker, a delightsome place.

<u>Fantasy</u>: There is much of the fantastic in these movies. This is potentially dangerous as it desensitizes the viewer to reality. On the other hand, this can stimulate creativity.

Gender Roles: With exception of Ep. 7-9, the male and female roles are typical and appropriate. These last 3 (newest) episodes have derogatory lines against men in general, and a woman fighter hero, suggesting that woman's worth is in doing what man does, which is insulting. Some say

its not bad for 1/3 of the movies to have female leader heroes, perhaps. Padme is actually a great heroin, she is an influencer and mother and a voice in the political realm, and fights as needed, but the fighting isn't her primary thing. Perhaps more troubling than a female Jedi hero (she's not the first, but is the first one front stage) are the remarks against the male pilot, and her not wanting her hand held, etc. They also make the bad guy in the last trilogy be totally out of control, and they make Han Solo into a bum father who leaves his family, as is the typical mode of Hollywood to make fathers useless.

<u>Violence</u>: The level of violence portrayed in the films are concerning, particular for young audiences. The choreography of the sword play is quite good, especially in Eps. 1-3. The series is generally good about not showing blood or gore. I am concerned about the amount of times people talk about killing each other, which certainly raises the intensity.

<u>Horror</u>: The final scene of Ep. 9 was particularly terrifying. It included a demon man calling for human sacrifice, transfer of spirits, and dead demons chanting in the background, typical of demonic scenes. This scene is too scarry and will cause nightmares. Exposure to such evil is likely not healthy, especially for children.

Also scenes of Sith holding people in the air and choking them is quite terrifying, and exposing children to this does not seem wise.

There is also a scene where a nice robot appears to be possessed by a demon, having red eyes and speaking in a low dark voice. The robot is translating an evil text which is needed to unlock something, but the demon moment is scarry and unnecessary.

Again, I repeat my recommendation to not use the last 3 movies in the home.

<u>Dangerous Yoga & Scarry Force Powers:</u> The Jedi have a sort of yoga-related out of body experience. This is dangerous. Images of people using a power to choke each other, push each other, etc., are particularly horrifying.

The force is accessed not by obedience to God but by getting in tune with nature. Seems like yoga and new age. The other view of this is the god is the god of nature, and their access to him as they knew him was through nature. That was all that was revealed to them in that age, they did their best.

Redemption of Anakin / Vadar: Despite running around killing children etc., this character is redeemed based on a single good deed. This is questionable at best. Possible, but sends a message of death bed repentance which is false doctrine. We don't know the heart and pressures etc., but the message the vast majority of the audience likely hears is "I can live an evil life and turn around any time I wish and be just fine."

I will demonstrate another perspective here, however. Vadar turns, and does something heroic. It just so happens that he dies in that event. Perhaps he knew it would cost him everything, and yet he did it. This does demonstrate a most sincere change of heart. Deathbed repentance is when you know you're going to die, and you say some shallow words and think it'll save you. This appears to have been a different case.

Burning the Temple: On face value, Yoda (the chief prophet figure) seems to say "away with organized religion" by burning the Jedi temple, and what looks to be like burning the sacred texts / scriptures (despite the hidden message that maybe the texts were saved, which few viewers would catch).

A closer look shows this isn't what Yoda is saying (he is trying to help Luke balance his views), but for most viewers (particularly susceptible children, a large portion of the audience), that's the message that gets across.

Apparently the sacred texts were preserved before the torching, but that might be hard to pick up on. Ray does read from a sacred text Luke wrote later though, which makes it sort of obvious. They scrolls are supposedly visible on a ship or something.

<u>Possible Anti-Christian Storyline</u>: The chosen one Christ figure Anakin turns out to be super evil and overly controlling. Some interpret this as an

anti-Christian message saying that Christ and organized religion are really the bad guy.

I don't think this interpretation of the story is necessary, but I do point it out. A famous author is known to have said that he makes the point of his story obvious, but yet people still insist on impaling themselves on something else.

Likely the story is designed to say "watch out or you'll mess up your destiny for greatness if you give yourself up to your passions," but in today's predominantly anti-Christ culture, the story may not be interpreted that way.

Rogue One Mocking Jerusalem Siege? Someone pointed out to me that the dress, building shapes, etc. all seem to resemble Jerusalem, potentially making light of the fall of Jerusalem. Perhaps, perhaps not. It could just be that seige motif.

Mandalorian Baby Yoda the Replacement Christ I've been seeing t-shirts and bumper stickers galore saying baby Yoda is "THE CHILD" and that this is "THE WAY". This mocks the Christ child whose gospel is the way. It also demonstrates the popular obsession with this myth, putting it above the truth, ignoring the truth altogether with these things in its place:





#### **Justice**:

Though they seek justice in the story, it strangely suggests that we should not kill the big bad guys when we have the chance. Vader and Palpatine aren't killed when they could be. For example, if someone had the chance to kill Hitler, they should do it. Once someone has run around killing everyone in their way, we take them out. We don't focus on the good that's still in them. We leave that to God to work out whatever salvation is possible for them. Leaving alone an evil superpower is akin to killing many innocent people which that person could take out if we leave him alive. Well did the law of God state that he who takes a life. his life shall be taken. Only is taking life justified when 1. We are punishing a murderer or 2. When we are defending the freedoms of our country. In the fullness of the law of God there may be one other case which involves adultery, but we will not cover that here. Remember, Moroni was able to raise the title of liberty, and cut down those who would not stand for freedom. The rebellion has so extreme that these people couldn't even be tried by a court.

Another time this happens is Lord of the Rings. Wormtongue is allowed to live because "enough blood has been shed on his account." Nonsense. If he was responsible for wrongful deaths, he should be subject to capital punishment.

We don't play around with the devil to do the Lord's work. We execute Gods laws, and trust that the best outcomes are most probable in that approach.

### Star Wars: Satanic Conspiracy Theory

I hesitate to share this because so many find this story positive in several ways. I don't discount that and do see some ways it could be positive. I am sharing this however because its something to be aware of. If you chose to use this story, at least be aware of possible concerns so you can combat those.

<u>Precautionary Note to the Satanic Star Wars Theory</u>: Not all 'chosen ones' in myths must be a Christ figure, not all myths must be directly overlain to Christianity in their plots, but we will consider this theory. What's likely more important is whether the myth teaches true principles. So allow me to indulge here and follow the conspiracy rabbit holes for a few minutes.

If they say it's yin yang that the light needs the dark that's bad. It's opposition without final victory. It's compromise.

If you're not with me you're against me – yes Christ said that, **Anakin is Christ** 

Only a Sith deals in absolutes says Obi, I will do what I must – but God's law is absolute

Eyes of fire has God says the bible – the Sith have red eyes

Hayden's last name is Christiansen, more symbol that it is Satan orchestrating the analogy.

Anakin chosen one is Christ; God (Palpatine) and Christ (Vader) are the bad guys; this is the Luciferian idea that Lucifer who brought 'knowledge' is the good guy; the Prometheus Bound idea.

He could save others but not himself – said of Darth Plagus, compares Christ to an evil superpower

Storm troopers look just like Vader – Christians following Christ. (Or they're bad following bad, but with so many clues of Anakin being Christ, this may be concerning.)

Order 66, Jerusalem destroyed, revenge of the Sith, revenge of Christ for killing him.

Europe pushing Christianity, as history class says, it's the dark times; like Vadar taking over worlds.

Anakin loses 4 limbs, like Christ nails in all limbs. Anakin coming back in pain is a mockery of the resurrection.

Ana (grace) kin (kinsman, your race), the Israelites are saved by Christ

**Padme** the wife of Christ is the church, Vader Christ is mad that she has turned against him and fallen away.

**Some say dualism is Satanic**, the idea that we don't know if the light or the dark will win, that there is a threat to God, when there isn't. This seems a weak argument, as most myths or hero legend quests do involve the possibility of loss and failure, life allows that possibility, even though the ultimate outcome and endgame will be won by the good.

**Obi-Wan** has lines saying many things we thought were true are not true, and gives a relativistic perspective. This isn't inherently false or bad, but is noteworthy.

**Telekinesis**, moving things with the mind, is traditionally Satanic.

**Necromancy**, calling forth the spirits of the dead to get advice from them, is condemned in the bible, and is traditionally Satanic.

**Eastern religion influence** isn't inherently bad, but it is a soft sale into New Age religion. People start to see it as not so bad, not harmful, and even potentially useful, and this can lead them away from Christian faith.

**Balance, Ying-Yang:** Some say the balance to the force means mixing good and evil (though that's not necessarily the meaning of ying-yang). Certainly, mixing good and evil is evil in and of itself.

The Ying Yang symbols in the films are frequent.

**Meditation**: this can be good or bad. Good to ponder and think of good, but bad to just "clear the mind" as in yoga, or to just focus on energies. The idol mind is the Devil's playground.

In episode 2, C3PO sees Anikin and calls him "the maker" (not 'my' maker, etc.). This could hint at an identity of Anakin as representing Christ.

The conspiracy involves Anakin wanting to keep his wife from dying meaning Jesus resurrecting people to keep them from death. (this is a stretch)

These lines were concerning: "Wrong way!" "There's not really a right way, is there." (Ep.9)

This guy says its bad dualism. It's not a super strong argument (sort of goes against the hero's journey in general?), but if the Satanic conspiracy is true, he could be on to something. <a href="https://youtu.be/EQr0k4jzKUs">https://youtu.be/EQr0k4jzKUs</a>

This guy says it's a satanic conspiracy in great detail. Again, some strong points, some weak ones. <a href="https://youtu.be/X33Hc0erhNg">https://youtu.be/X33Hc0erhNg</a>

This guy also compares Anakin to Christ too. <a href="https://youtu.be/C2Sd1QThDr4">https://youtu.be/C2Sd1QThDr4</a>

Ep9 Fin makes the war offensive rather than defensive. "Now we take the war to them." That's not the Jedi way. Offensive war is hardly ever justifiable.

So much magical force power, it's excessive. The psychic powers come into play frequently to know hidden things. I don't see much of a

difference between these (especially the last 3 movies when the force use becomes excessive) and the obviously magical movies Harry Potter.

Ren heals Ray at the end, but notice, he was never a good person. He was always acting in self-interest. He kills Snoke then Palpatine just so he can be the boss. That's the typical way bad guys operate. Just because he wanted Ray around doesn't mean he us all a sudden a great guy that Ray should kiss.

Luke says the force is intrinsic and Jedi aren't needed; That's the faith crisis. May the reader beware that this idea doesn't influence people to think organized religion is not needed. Many wander and are lost.

The last 3 movies are the worst. The Rey Ren mind control interrogations are particularly intense and dark.

<u>Conclusion</u>: There are many ideas which could be interpreted in a dark way. Its possible that Satan has inspired the producers unbeknownst to them, to make this plot. I don't know. It seems the matter must be taken to prayer for those interested in this as a tool for good.

If this is an evil movie series, it's because of the terror killing and eastern-ism inherent throughout, more so than a hidden anti-Christian plotline. Lucas was trying to write a story of good vs evil, of redemption, and of an awakening to the spiritual aspects of life. This said, it remains a possibility that Satanic superforces influenced this series.

## The Matrix: Antichrist Propaganda



Is the Matrix an analogy of resisting futuristic tyranny, or an attempt to dismantle the doctrine of Christ? Though I can see either interpretation, the following evidence suggests the latter.

#### Sections:

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#### **UNCLEAN CONTENT**

If for no other reason than the unclean content that fills this movie, this movie would be detectable as a movie inspired by Satan. God doesn't teach with such means. This reveals the movie's overall philosophy is not pro-God/nature and anti-tyranny, but rather pro Lucifer and tyranny.

- -The movies are inherently violent, and gratuitously so.
- -Several characters are dressed very immodestly.

- -There is at least one sex scene.
- -Frequent foul language

#### TRINITY AS THE UNHOLY GHOST

- -Neo meets Trinity, the Holy Ghost symbol, at a dirty bar.
- -Her costume is immodest in how tight it is
- -Trinity hovers in a bird shape, making the symbolism increasingly obvious
- -Neo dies and Trinity in her kiss gives him the breath of life resurrecting him, and sparks are shown in the background, giving the spark of life. So this questionable character somehow has power to bestow life.
- -She saves Neo at a place with a street sign of obvious biblical significance

#### NEO AS ANTI CHRIST:

- -Neo is obviously a Christ figure. He is a Messianic hero. This is a useful motif in many stories and analogies. However, the way he is depicted and the philosophies he espouses suggest that he is more of an antichrist than a Christ.
- -Neo says he will show a world without boundaries or limits. But of course, such a world cannot be.
- -Neo dies in a cross shape
- -Thomas A Anderson is Neo's name; Thomas is the doubting apostle, the one who demanded tangible evidence.
- -Neo (new) Ander (man) son (son): New son of man.
- -Neo finally ascends like Christ; questionable music is played during this by heavy metal band Rage Against The Machine.
- -Neo was much more violent than Christ as far as methods of revolution go.

#### MORPHEUS AS LUCIFER

-He offers Neo the fruit of the tree via the pills which have power to eject him from the Matrix

- -tells Neo the Matrix is what he experiences when he goes to work (communist anti work), when he goes to church (anti religion), and when he pays his taxes (anti government and social order)
- -He tells Neo to follow a white porn symbol rabbit to a bar
- -He gives Neo instantaneous skills which Neo doesn't have to work for. This resembles communism of getting things for free, and resembles deals with the Devil, where in exchange for the soul, a candidate gets great skill, etc.
- -The ship of the rebels is called Nebuchadnezzar, symbolizing the stone that would smash the icon.

#### ORACLE AS FALSE PROPHET

- -She tells Neo that he is NOT the one, lying to him because 'that's what he needs to hear'. But true prophets don't lead people via lies.
- -She gets turned into an agent, whose job is to police and destroy those who question the Matrix

#### ZION AS HELL

- -Zion is depicted as a nasty rave
- -Zion is depicted as underground deep in the earth, the typical area symbolized as hell.
- -Everyone is jumping around in a disorderly way, and scantily clothed.

#### CREATOR GOD AS EVIL TYRANT

- -Some argue the Matrix is good as it suggests resistance against a futuristic tyranny. Here I'll explain why I don't think this was really the case.
- -The philosophies that inspired the matrix weren't that the God of nature is good and the system of control is bad, but that Jehovah the creator made this earth as a place of control, that our bodies are bad and usurp our spirits, that Lucifer was the good guy, and that Jehovah was banned for his tyranny.

- -The creator of the world as we know it is shown as the bad guy. This is anti God. It isn't saying the false system is bad and nature is good, its saying life on earth itself is bad.
- -Several homicides have said they did what they did because they were freeing people from the Matrix.

#### ADDITIONAL RESOURCES

- -Good Fight Ministries Gnostic etc.
- -Jonathan Pageau analysis of the Matrix

#### ON THE OFF CHANCE I'M WRONG ABOUT THE MATRIX:

Some say this is a teaching tool, a fun story of people battling the evil powers that be. A retelling of the old myth and hero journey. But I remain highly suspicious of this. The extreme violence, language, and immodesty are giveaways to me that this series is up to no good. Sure there are philosophical points to be made and pondered which the show brings up, but there are better ways to puzzle these things out.

### Harry Potter Concerns

Rowling said she was concerned that people would complain about how much Christian symbolism was in the books. There were scriptures written on the tombstones, etc. But she was surprised to see that when her books came out, they criticism was that they involved so much witchcraft. The Christians weren't happy. One must ask: Why was this writing afraid of offending people by putting in a few Christian references to the story?

Scripture condemns witchcraft. So now we indulge in a fun story about people training to become witches? Those who condone these stories insist that the scriptures on witchcraft aren't talking about the type of witchcraft being done in the Potter series, or that the readers/viewers aren't practicing the craft, so are just fine. Both of these arguments are sketchy.

First: if its not ok to practice witchcraft, but it is ok to celebrate it through stories and movies, then consider the following analogy. God condemns homosexuality. Should we celebrate homosexuality by movies about the wonders and superiority of being homosexual? Surely the viewer could not long retain his belief against the practice long in such a culture.

Second: If the type of magic in the movie is different than the type spoken of in the bible, how do you know? There are actually some very specific practices condemned in the bible which are portrayed in these films. Calling on the dead, peering to the future, casting spells, many things. Are you going to take the risk, are you so sure that this is different than what the scripture warns of?

Another reason to be careful with this story are the movies which show teens as rude and overly romantic at a young age. The teens often kiss and 'make out'. There is even a scene with semi-nudity. And wait, one of the heroes is completely obsessed with another guy's wife – adultery anyone? It's sad that pop culture sees these things as so normal that they would put them in this presentation for and of children. Most advocates of the books I know of report that the movies don't hold a candle to the books, and that they pervert the story. Either way, when there's a super famous book series with super famous movies that go with them, if you get into one, you'll get into the other.

In my early college years I remember seeing some Protestants on campus trying to spread the word against Harry Potter. Like most, I quickly dismissed them as crazy. But now I have reason to pause. Sure there are some noble plotlines, friendships, and heroism, but are the risks worth the benefits? Perhaps we would

be better to create our own stories which include the positive elements, and discluded the questionable ones.

## Twilight: Yikes, No!

This series targeting female drama is not to be trifled with. It contains gruesome and terrifying themes. It depicts characters formerly known as evil, such as vampires werewolves etc., as actually being good.

It was said that the value of Harry Potter is that it teaches to have good friends, but that the value of Twilight is that it teaches the importance of having a boyfriend! Not at all a very noble theme. Harry Potter is another debate, but it does appear far superior to this series.

It is also not honorable that the boys stalk the girls in criminal ways. When the heroes aren't honorable, aren't exemplary, we don't tolerate their examples to be repeated in our homes.

I am not very familiar with these books or movies, but really can't stomach the idea of becoming so.

# Pokémon Exposed

Here are some notes from a lecture by an ex-Satanist identifying some Pokémon concerns (Full lecture here: <a href="https://youtu.be/7gF1qn-KzbM">https://youtu.be/7gF1qn-KzbM</a>)

Made by same people who make Magic the Gathering and Dungeons & Dragons.

Evil magician cards with fire and pentagon.

Vicious killing monsters.

Kids believing they become a master.

Kids believing the cards give them powers.

Kids getting seizures from the Pokémon movie.

Means pocket monsters.

Kids fight and steal over them.

Satanic Z on Pikachu tail.

SSS Satanic on chest of a Pokémon.

Kids know all about all 150 creatures but not of school or scripture or what parents say.

Magic energy balls, the monsters grow.

Gotta catch them all is repeated, a chant. It's really Satan catching all the kids.

The characters in the show are rude, cross dressing, selfish, angry, etc.

Kids run around at recess calling spirits to enter into themselves.

The phrase is used "the powers that your fingertips use it"

It does seem that these materials are preparing a generation for a new world religion of the anti-Christ.

# Potential Dangers of Disney

There are perhaps a few Disney movies that are uplifting, but by and large, I believe we should reject these teachers of magic and their immorality which are crafted in pleasant packages.

Does not Lucifer appear as an angel of light?

It is disturbing to see the various propaganda put into Disney movies.

It is well known that the Disney actors often grow up to be abominations.

It goes beyond subliminal and hidden messages of sex and other depravity.

Often the characters are rebel against their parents. Want your children to be rebellious? Turn on Disney. Most of their programs feature children

who need to set their parents straight.

Often the parents, especially the fathers, are shown as incompetent when compared to the children.

Religion is usually depicted as an outdated useless structure.

Parents are often depicted as dying, and are otherwise disposable.



#### Additional resources:

-Disney Magic Kingdom or the Kingdom of God - The Movie // Jason Cooley: (~1 hour)

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=tH0fBWwpP6A&feature=youtu.be&fbclid=IwAR3zhp1SxdDRH87jRQe0N35ydyaXf80UuBPL59ZF2bhBoJUySeQYh\_dKTgA

-SATANIC DISNEY EXPOSED AND OTHER ILLUMINATI MOVIES DOCUMENTARY 2018 by 123 Conspiracy (~10 hours) (a Christian presenter) (even points out how Bambi, Dumbo, etc. have corrupt gender agenda planted in them)

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ZMBaXVCl62A

-SATANIC ILLUMINATI MUSIC EXPOSED DOCUMENTARY 2018 by 123 Conspiracy (~10 hours) (shows corruption in music in the 1930's) <a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=EmWg579aDq4&list=PLGN0R6JwkIYESLiwMQjBefX\_7mJutN7nf&index=2">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=EmWg579aDq4&list=PLGN0R6JwkIYESLiwMQjBefX\_7mJutN7nf&index=2</a>

# Fantasy Concerns (sectioning pending)

Here is the case against fantasy, which I find noteworthy at least, true at best. The feast on fantasy must be filling some need people have. Fantasy is sometimes a more morally clean and modest genre of writing, it also allows for exploration of big



ideas hard to explain with non-fiction. This said, I hope we can find other venues to fill these needs, at least by and large, based on some of the concerns listed below.

#### **Sections:**

(pending)

Fantasy Desensitizes to Reality & The Gospel Fantasy is Wasteful Prophets have Discouraged Use of Fantasy Fantasy is often Dark & Horrifying Fantasy Easily Becomes an Obsession

Joseph Smith was known to be easily drawn to laughter, and frequently played with children and his brethren, playing sports and joking with them. **He said we shouldn't be too involved in the fantastic**, but that a good sense of humor is of God. (see Truman G Madsen Joseph Smith lectures)

Avoid witchcraft in all its forms like the plague. Many are the scriptures in condemnation of such. Do not think that we can have these fantasies of alternate universe without God where the wizards rule the day. Such is not true, no, and never was nor will be, worlds without end. There are always Gods governing the cosmos. Not wizards and magicians! Such

things are of fallen kingdoms, and are cast out, not given power and authority. The Lord is whom we should seek.

A friend pointed out, "Films can have a powerful influence on worldviews—how we see and understand reality. No medium, be it film, art, literature, or music, exists in a vacuum. In short, ideas have consequences."

Perhaps we aren't looking hard enough if we feel fantastic stories are needed to teach us life lessons. Hugh Nibley said we all have a full time job discovering the history of this world. Do we know more about fictional narratives and characters than about characters of the reformation, the bible, the restoration, the renaissance, the inventors, the various heroes of reality who really have overcome the world? Perhaps reality is a better teacher after all.

Several prophets have spoken against consumption of the fantastic, as it desensitizes a person to reality. Joseph Fielding Smith suggested that Christ would not try to teach us with far removed fantastic ideas. Joseph Smith said to not dabble too much in the fantastic. Some prophets have even said fiction in general is unworthy of our time.

God is creative, but he doesn't create bazar things. He follows the standards of the universe & regular nature.

Some say, "without fantasy, what would we read/play?" this is an embarrassing statement, showing great ignorance. We live in a time of greatest availability of books etc., and this is no longer a good point, if it ever was.

It could be said that fantasy is to be used only sparingly, that it is like eating French fries. Is it healthy? For those who know anything about nutrition the answer is an obvious no. Is it fun? Of course. Is it worth it? Rewarding alternatives can be found, but if we are to use the 'junk food' of literature, it should be done only sparingly. (Naturally this is offensive to those committed to the genre, and yes I'm sure there are some meaningful points in those books)

Fantasy often involves witches and wizards. This is potentially dangerous as the bible speaks against them, despite of the possibility of them being unrelated to reality in their alternate universe.

Perhaps for those called to serve the Lord (which can be any of us), fantasy is not worthy of their time. Joseph Smith was chastised in the Doctrine and Covenants several times for becoming distracted or taking something too lightly. He was told that he would lose his gift and

become like other men if he treated lightly the things of God (D&C 3:4-15).

Ephesians 5:11 Take no part in the worthless deeds of evil and darkness; instead, expose them.

Someone suggested that we can't say there's good and bad magic, "White magic is described as "good" magic, as opposed to black magic, which draws upon the powers of evil beings. Opinions vary as to the differences between black and white magic, ranging from the idea that they are two names for exactly the same thing to the belief that they are completely different, especially in goals and intent. The Bible DOES NOT differentiate between "good" and "bad" magic. Magic is magic as far as the Bible is concerned. IT IS A COUNTERFEIT to the priesthood. Scripture doesn't distinguish whether the magic is supposed to be used for good or for bad; it's all forbidden because it appeals to a source of power other than God."

Some suggest that we must use teaching tools which explicitly show Gods point of view, and that fantasy doesn't do that, "Satan is so subtle and crafty, and that these books are truly a way to normalize and wrap witchcraft in an attractive package. Satan believes in "a fight of light over darkness." He has just inverted light for darkness and darkness for light (Isaiah 2). As Christian families, we must look for books and movies that teach about the fight from God's perspective, not from the twisted perspective of the adversary. You don't learn about good and evil from Satan." Others might suggest that they can in fact find God's truths through lessons taught in fantasy settings.

Children remind us of the magic and wonder that is our reality our earth our life

The quote saying the mark of a truly learned man these days is to know which books not to read or a truly wise

do we know the stories of Star Wars or other fictional things better than we know the stories and characters of the Reformation of the restoration of the founding of this country of the great prophets of old of the Bible characters of the great inventors of the Great contributors in the enlightenment and Renaissance

BY: "Now is the time for labor. Let the fire of the covenant which you made in the house of the Lord, burn in your hearts like flame unquenchable."

Have you listened to the heavenly Man or God's Smuggler? I should say that is how we build the Kingdom of God and is what is expected from us...not puzzle building and building ourselves first up... The world tells us to work on ourselves first...this is a pure lie....instead, we are to lay down our lives in the service of God, glorifying him, and that is how we are BUILT to then go build the kingdom. We have been trained to not have a Christian worldview only humanized worldviews. Show me in scriptures where it says to focus on ourselves first. However, I do love puzzles but not as a tool in building the kingdom of God.

Also, I just have one ultimate question........... Who has the time?! Honestly, if you feel good about returning to God and reporting that the time HE gave you was spent in another reality. And that your reason was that you were trying to find Him and His symbolism instead of going to the source, well albeit

We are not on our own time. Every single second belongs to building up the Kingdom of God. Spending time in a world of fantasy or places or things that "could" exist seems like a tool of Satan used to DISTRACT us and TRAP us.

"A fanciful and flowery and heated imagination beware of; because the things of God are of deep import; and time and experience and careful and ponderous and solemn thoughts can only find them out. Thy mind, O man! if thou wilt lead a soul unto salvation, and search into and contemplate the darkest abyss, and the broad expanse of eternity--thou must commune with God. How much more dignified and noble are the thoughts of God, than the vain imaginations of the human heart! None but fools will trifle with the souls of men."

- -- History of the Church volume 3
- -- Joseph Smith's letter to the saints from Liberty Prison March 25th 1839

"If I spend a minute that is not in some way devoted to building up the Kingdom of God and promoting righteousness, I regret that minute, and wish it had been otherwise spent. This proves to me that the Spirit of the Lord is with me." (Brigham Young, Journal of Discourses, vol. 12, pp. 217-221, May 17, 1868

#### Resources for additional study against fantasy:

https://ldsanswers.org/5-reasons-our-family-does-not.../

https://www1.cbn.com/.../harry-potter:-the-hero-for...

https://christiananswers.net/q-eden/harrypotter.html

http://www.mcreveil.org/.../witchcraft/harry\_potter\_en.html

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=r2aUXXeRfkc...

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=2uzTulaKLhg

On corruption in Disney: https://youtu.be/tH0fBWwpP6A and

https://youtu.be/s3tSzM5iU4g

# Concerns about Non-Denominational & Bazar Story Telling

Here I will suggest that in the household of faith, we should emphasize teachings of truth and of the gospel rather than fantastical stories which have little to no connection to reality. These stories of fantasy and myth are helpful, potentially, in sharing the gospel to those who have these stories as their primary frame of reference. We seek common ground, to teach them where they are, based on the symbols they are familiar with. But when it comes to rearing children in the gospel, we can focus on bible stories, and other historical and otherwise uplifting stories and accounts which are centered on eternal truths more so than that of fables.

Some excuse works of fantasy etc. on grounds that they are non-denominational stories which teach lessons. Ok, but does God want us to be going around sharing non-denominational stories when we have the gospel to offer? Leave the gentiles to their non-denominational business, we have higher duties to attend to. We know that the gospel is the only hope for world peace, and we press toward that mark. Our calling isn't to tell soft stories, but to preach the gospel. Therefore, our primary focus should be on teaching gospel truths.

If any tolerance is to be had for fables, it should take a clearly secondary role when compared to gospel truths. Who among us can say that we are sufficiently versed in the teachings of the Lord, and that our children know his ways like unto the status of the ancients? Surely we have much work to do, much to focus in on with our studies and stories.

Our recreational materials can carry the message of the gospel as well. A great example of this is the book series "The Work and the Glory" by Lund. Reading something like this gives purpose and meaning. It teaches those hard situations, those emotions, those colorful characters, that exploration, all of those fun elements, but in a context of reality, with a focus on heroes being godly characters, seeking to build the kingdom of God. Think of the increased growth testimony and maturity that would develop in a youth from becoming more familiar with these stories of the restoration when compared to being filled with a similar length series on random fables. The contrast is obvious. As I've said before, if you chose to have the fables in your home, oh how they must be small compared to the use of better materials!

This generation has lost the principle that as we educate, as kids learn to read, etc., they can also be learning good morals. They can learn by faithful characters and realistic scenarios. There are real heroes, and we want the rising generation to become real heroes. Perhaps it is a disbelief in real heroes as found in the bible and elsewhere that has driven this indulgence in the fantastic. Remember the McGuffy Readers? They taught morals while teaching reading. So must we, to the best of our ability, in purchasing good texts or writing our own (as Brigham Young endorsed), seek to learn from the best books (as the Lord implores in the D&C).

I'm reminded of a children's book author who spoke at a local school assembly. His books were mostly fantastic and silly. He said once an old man approached him at his first lecture about his books and grilled him, telling him that his books didn't have morals, and were therefore shameful. When he told this story the audience laughed, as if to say 'what a ridiculous old man!' But this story has stayed with me. Perhaps the old man was right. Perhaps this author retells this story years after the fact because it is lodged into his conscience. I too worry that far too much of children's books today are trivial, over the top fantasy which has little to no application for their lives. There is moderation in all things, but I think we are now living on a steady diet of French fries when it comes to literature. Too much of anything, including too much of reading which is solely suited to entertain, is not good. Let us rather look for more wholesome books. We call upon the saints to create their own materials when the world fails to come up with them, rather than compromising with the world.

Some make their stories intentionally bazar in order to attract the attention of children. This is either to make more profits, or perhaps occasionally based out of a sincere desire to get kids reading who would otherwise not be reading. But such frivolous fiction is not the cure. The cure is to teach children in the home (and wherever else you can) of the beauties of life. An appreciation for OUR world, OUR heroes, OUR wars, etc., is what must be fostered in youth. Using literature only for the sake of increasing one's ability to read is vain and ridiculous.

Do we hope that we will train them up on this nonsense, and that then once they have learned to read fluently thereby, that they will have a sudden change in interest to be drawn to great writing, particularly the scriptures? No, but such vanity will train them to be addicted to trivial play throughout their lives. They will struggle throughout their lives to develop a real sense of duty and concern about the issues in the world. Even if a child takes a bit longer to learn to read, it is better than a child who quickly consumes fables, and thereby develops an addiction and affinity toward the bazar (and often obscene) from his youth, and thereby finds himself with a dulled sensitivity to the lofty importance of truth and reality.

What if there are no engaging books of good character? Brigham Young would answer this by saying that we the saints should make our own. He called upon the saints to make their own clothes, make their own textbooks, to do whatever they can to be completely separate from Babylon. Sadly we seem to have entirely forgotten his counsels. The time to redeem Zion has come, let us come unto the Lord with boldness by once again and forever putting Him and His ways above all others!

I have been bold in my writing here, and feel a general exodus away from Babylonian culture is in order. This being said, I do want to express tolerance for varying points of view. Some find fables and fantasy based stories as good learning resources. One must quickly recognize that even in those genres, there is good better and best. May we be committed to, as I have said, putting truth and the gospel first, and may we use lesser things with caution and moderation if we are so inclined.

# Fictional Reading Ok if Realistic



Brigham Young said, "Now understand it—when parents whip their children for reading novels, and never let them go to the theater, or to any place of recreation and amusement, but bind them to the moral law, until duty becomes loathsome to them; when they are freed by age from the rigorous training of their parents, they are more fit for companions to devils, than to be the children of such religious parents. . . When I was young, I was kept within very strict bounds, and was not allowed to walk more than half-an-hour on Sunday for exercise. The proper and necessary gambols of youth having been denied me, makes me want active exercise and amusement now. I had not a chance to dance when I was young, and never heard the enchanting tones of the violin, until I was eleven years of age; and then I thought I was on the highway to hell, if I suffered myself to linger and listen to it. I shall not subject my little children to such a course of unnatural training, but they shall go to the dance, study music, read novels, and do anything else that will tend to expand their frames, add fire to their spirits, improve their minds, and make them feel free and untrammeled in body and mind. Let everything come in its season, place everything in the place designed for it, and do everything in its right time." (Brigham Young, "Organization and Development of Man," Journal of Discourses, vol. 2, (Liverpool: F. D. Richards, 1855), 90-96; Discourse was given on February 6, 1853.)

Elsewhere in the sermons of Brigham, he didn't seem to like the reading of fiction as it was a waste of time when we could be doing

otherwise prudent things. Are we in a generation so prosperous that we actually have time for these things? I don't know.

Fiction talks about things which are hard to understand. Folk tales from the beginning have done this.

There is a difference between fantasy and science fiction. Fantasy has more witchcraft. Science fiction deals mostly with advancements in technology. However, Orson Scott Card says the only real difference between these two genres is that one has a forest theme on the front cover, the other has a space theme on the front cover. BY does call for cultivating the mind, don't some classic novels cultivate the mind, like Faust, which teaches the folley of a deal with the devil? Or jekyll and hyde which teaches to avoid substance abuse? Or dorian grey which teaches to not be narsisistic etc?

I do prefer nonfiction and to learn of reality and useful things, but always thought great classic fiction books were of high regard and to be used sparingly and that a life void of them was living beneath it's privileges and wasn't deep as it ought be?

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Some have said novels like little women and Jane Austen are good

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Some prophets like Brigham Young, Joseph F Smith, Joseph Fielding Smith, and George Q Cannon have spoken against reading fiction. But has this sentiment of zero fiction been echoed? I think Elder Holland recently said a list of some of his favorites as he studied English in college. David O McKay also was an English major and memorized poetry from Shakespeare and many others. What remains however is that none of them seem to be in favor of fantasy novels which are far removed from realistic scenarios. However, if there is a good book of fantasy, it would belong to Zion, as Brigham said all good things belong to Zion.

Pres David O McKay read tons of classic fiction, he woke early to review books from 4-6am, he would quote thousands of them.

There are times when prophets and apostles speak from their own opinions and the cultural opinions of the times. Not everything they say is inspired. There is a lot of value in a variety of literature Follow the Spirit.

I am not one that likes to read "girl" books and always thought Jane Austin was going to be just that...but knowing she was an Eminent author, piqued my interest in learning more. (I love reading from pure fountains only...I don't like wasting my time elsewhere). She is now a favorite of ours and worthy of a place on my bookshelf and heart. My grandchildren are in love with her, as we now have a rooster named Mr. Darcy, and a rabbit named Bingley and Emma. Her writings have taught us much about refinement, courting, patriarchs, roles of servants, true love, and sacrifice. They are keepers!:)

It's not sci-fi that made us think of invention it's the other way around. We don't need sci-fi to inspire invention. It could be said that yesterday's fiction is today's reality, and we do invent etc., but we don't need trivial novels about it.

Eternal principles can be learned from dark, depressing literature (just read the Russian authors like Tolstoy).

# Some Tolerance for Fantasy Genre Themes with Expanded View of Religion

#### **Hearkening Back to a Noble Time:**

I think many Christians, including latter-day saints, have an affinity for the fantasy genre as it often depicts a time of nobility. The **costumes** are often elegant and modest. The characters have a sence of **duty, chivalry, country, family, and chastity**. Romantic relationships are depicted as delicate and courteous, with marriage and family as the goal. Characters struggle through the hero's journey fighting against evil against all odds. People are starving for virtue and direction in this world of fluid morals and evil opinions. To some, many fantasy writers capture the good in their work.

Naturally some take the fantasy genre and go off the rails, mixing in all manner of evil, gender distortion, obsession with female warriors, and other perverse roles. If you find some merit in fantasy writing, then seek the good authors and reject the bad, just like you would in any genre.

#### **Multiple Gods:**

Some fantasy considers multiple Gods ruling in the universe. The restored gospel perspective of mankind's ability to become like God makes these stories of interest.

#### Catastrophic Nature:

An understanding of a catastrophic past rather than a uniform past gives **God Creating Via Existing Materials:** 

This restored doctrine opens the gates for many ideas.

#### **Cosmological Religion:**

Catholics and Protestants saw anything related to cosmology as Pagan and of the Devil. The truth is that both God and the Devil use cosmological symbols. Satan, of course, usurps God's teaching tools. A significant aspect of the restored gospel is cosmology. The book of Abraham speaks of the various star systems. Joseph Smith taught of Kolob, the "heart star" near God's throne, as it may be interpreted.

#### **Anthropomorphic God:**

The restored truth that God has a body and was once a man who progressed to the full stature of Godhood opens the door for much expansion of the mind.

#### **Caution When Condemning:**

Many familiar with the bible reject the Book of Mormon as additional scripture. We should be careful that we are not rejecting things without careful analysis. We know that the words of God are many, that humans are inherently creative, and that there is some stock in the mythology of old, as God has spoken not only to the Jews, but to all nations.

<u>Concluding thoughts</u>: Be wise, be generous, but have limits. Know where you stand. Be creative, but not excessive or overly fantastic.

### **YOGA Concerns**

#### **Sections**:

- -POP CULTURE PUSHING YOGA
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#### POP CULTURE PUSHING YOGA:

Why is Yoga pushed by celebrities & pop culture? It is a quite possibly a portal to manipulation by Satanic forces. Doing the opposite of what Hollywood Stars promote is

a good rule of thumb.

Beware that Satan makes himself appear as an angel of light. He is a brilliant salesman! His counterfeits to truth are often accepted even by the very elect.

I'm not saying people who do yoga are going to hell. I'm saying eventually they'll learn better

ways (if the hypothesis that yoga is corrupt is a true hypothesis). It's like when someone asked me if a saint who drinks coffee is going to hell- the

answer is no, but it's a dangerous path connected to rebellion (since we know it is forbidden), and rebellion can indeed disqualify someone from the higher blessings.

#### LETTING GO OF SELF CONTROL:

One of the biggest problems with yoga is that it encourages an Eastern form of meditation involving clearing the mind, letting go of ideas, giving control over to 'the universe' or 'nature', rather than retaining self-control.

You should never give away control of your body to anything or anyone. Even a latter-day prophet, Lee Grant or Taylor I think, said he would willingly serve God, but never be God's slave. Brigham Young taught of the need to stand on your own and not blindly follow others.

In hypnotics the student gives his will away to someone else. This is not true for all mindfulness practitioners, some just relax and try to focus on breathing, but many take it to a whole other level, seeking spiritual manipulation. The parallels are worth considering.

Yoga may be a gateway drug to these higher forms of manipulation. Christian scripture passages suggesting meditation involve pondering ideas, not dismissing all ideas.

#### OBSESSIVE-SELF-CARE / IDLNESS:

Perhaps the Devil rejoices when he sees people investing so much time into something that matters so little. There seems to be a growing culture of obsessive-self-care, taking this far further than it needs to be.

Remember, deception doesn't need to be evil to be effective. Further, this deception may not be as innocent as many were led to believe.

The yoga teacher sits as a god enthroned to her class showing off her body, her perfections and masteries. She often not only boasts skill in

yoga, but wisdom in all philosophy. Perhaps she is ignorant to the potentially negative effects of her teachings.

#### YOGA SEEKS CONVERTS:

Before we discovered these truths about yoga, my wife was enrolled in yoga certification classes. She saw that they teach to seek after those who are at a low point in their lives to target them, as it is they who remain yoga students for life. This to us suggests that yoga is a religion seeking converts.

Upon learning about the questionable nature of yoga, my wife dropped the classes. She has found healthier alternatives in Pilates, simple stretching, walking, etc.

I believe Yoga becomes more than a healthy hobby, it becomes an allencompassing way of life, often even replacing former religious convictions.

A Pew research study shows most stay in yoga for spiritual reasons despite starting for physical reasons (<a href="https://truthaboutyoga.com/spiritual-effects-of-practicing-yoga/">https://truthaboutyoga.com/spiritual-effects-of-practicing-yoga/</a>).

What persuades to believe in Christ is good / good spirits, what persuades "believe not" in Christ (that's how the Book of Mormon words it, which is instructive; they don't have to pull you over to some other god to be evil, they just have to pull you away from Christ to be evil) is evil. And like I've pointed out, yoga often leads away from western Judeo-Christian culture & belief, and toward either agnosticism, atheism, or eastern religion.

#### KRISHNA TEMPLE PROMOTES YOGA:

When we visit the Krishna temple, we see their signs calling for diligent yoga. We saw many questionable things in the trainings, including instructions to call upon spirits to be of assistance.

The fact that they promote it isn't in and of itself grounds to banish yoga, but it does further establish the link between yoga and Hinduism.

#### MIRACULOUS YOGA-RELATED HEALINGS:

Some say yoga really works, so why not use it? Remember the Devil can perform little miracles to get people's souls.

When one does something bad in exchange for a blessing, it is called selling the soul to the devil.

Just because something works isn't ample reason to do it.

# YOGA PROMOTES THE FALSE DOCTRINE OF MULTIPLE PATHS TO SALVATION:

Die hard new age / yoga students are often committed to the idea that there are little bits of good everywhere, and that there isn't one way to salvation/lasting peace, but many. This sort of pantheism strongly echoes the paganism of old condemned by the prophets in the bible.

It is very different from Jesus Christ's declaration that he is the way, the truth, and the light, and that no man cometh to the father but by him. Christ declared that those who will not partake of his word will not enter the kingdom of God.

This goes back to the old 'several camps in heaven' idea (one campe for Adventists, another for Baptists, Methodists, Islam, Hindu, etc.) which is a false notion, inspired by the Devil. Baptism and faithful adherence to

the councils of God are the requirements to enter the presence of God the Father of all.

#### YOGA PROMOTES IMMODESTY:

The pants they promote certainly cause one to question! It's like Thomas Moore's book Utopia about cannibals, at the end he says, 'but you know the strangest thing about them, no one wore any pants!' Moore was correct - people who call themselves civilized but do bizarre things like not clothing their bodies appropriately are anything but civilized.

Thought the yoga pants facilitate free movement, other uniforms could do this while accommodating modesty.

I suspect hidden agendas in the promotion of yoga pants. Many wear them everywhere. They are becoming a part of day to day culture rather than a fitness uniform.

The human body was never meant to be fully on display in day to day activities. It is sacred and deserves reverence.

#### YOGA MAY INVOLVE SPIRITUAL MEDIUMS IN ITS POSES ETC:

The poses themselves are supposedly each a worship to a different Hindu god or goddess.

The bible condemns the practice of communicating with the dead through mediums. Not all who practice yoga do this, but high level ones may.

Ancient Israel was absolutely forbidden from practicing anything that had to do with other gods.

Some are unaware of yoga being worship of Hindu gods. However, like how smoking hurts people even if they aren't aware that it is hurting them, we can't claim ignorance is bliss.

Even if gods of myth have basis in the True God, that doesn't mean they should be worshipped.

Just because something appears spiritually uplifting doesn't mean it is from a good spiritual source.

Few yoga practitioners are aware of the potentially dark side of their practice. Similar to Free Masons, most of them are good people, just unaware of evidence of satanic usurpation of their trade.

The Preach My Gospel manual warns against getting spiritual direction from the wrong source.

This article further demonstrates how each pose represents a prayer to a specific god: <a href="https://www.ekhartyoga.com/.../practice/6-sacred-yoga-poses">https://www.ekhartyoga.com/.../practice/6-sacred-yoga-poses</a>

Certainly the Reiki Masters are taught to call on certain Hindu spirits for aid (What is Reiki? - Truth Behind Yoga).

#### MYSTICS VS PROPHETS

God's ways are not the ways of the mystic. Read Nibley's stuff on prophets vs mystics. The devil tries to get us sold into a gospel of mysteriousness, incomprehensibility, vagueness, and shifting morals.

Even psychotropic medications are ways the Devil takes over someone, see drugawareness.org.

The views of Yoga compared to biblical views are detailed nicely in this article: What Does the Bible Say? The Teachings of Yoga and the Bible are Antithetical. - Truth Behind Yoga

#### RESOURCES FOR ADDITIONAL STUDY:

- -A short video on "Why Christians Should Avoid Yoga" by Doreen Virtue, a former New Age Master: <a href="https://youtu.be/3PkGIQNkJC8">https://youtu.be/3PkGIQNkJC8</a>
- -1.5 hour video featuring the story of the author of TruthBehindYoga.com <a href="https://m.youtube.com/watch?v=AkiNFjzJ6y4&f">https://m.youtube.com/watch?v=AkiNFjzJ6y4&f</a> eature=youtu.be
- -See LDS Energy healing/emotion code exposed Facebook page/group.
- -Is yoga Spiritual? | Truth About Yoga

## Mindfulness is Buddhism

Mindfulness is Buddhism.

It's paid for by taxes, it's in the schools and major corporations.

There are no empirical results showing mindfulness helping sleep stress anxiety etc. It's like yoga, acupuncture, homeopathy, etc.

We can find better ways to relax, to explore ourselves, to recreation, etc.

## Church Statement Against Energy Healing

"We urge Church members to be cautious about participating in any group that promises-in exchange for money-miraculous healings or that claims to have special methods for accessing healing power outside of properly ordained priesthood holders," (LDS church spokesman Eric Hawkins)

https://kutv.com/news/local/the-business-behind-christ-centered-energy-healing

# My Top 5 Reasons Our Family Does Not Celebrate Halloween By Cameron And Kimberly Smith

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#1 The Book of Mormon teaches clearly that traditions that are in accordance with the gospel of Christ can have a profound influence on leading the children of men to truth. Righteous lives are influenced not only by the Spirit of the Lord but also by righteous men and women who teach their children correct principles.

Latter-day Saints must learn to discern and choose between the righteous traditions of the gospel and the evil traditions that surround them.

Righteous traditions fostered in the family have a profound effect on the spiritual lives of the children in the home. Whereas false or wicked traditions such as Halloween can lead children away from the truths of the Gospel and can lead to ignorance and make it more difficult for our children to recognize truth from error.

#2 False Traditions learned in the home and practiced by parents are very difficult for children to let go of as they grow older and start families of their own. Generally a false tradition is passed down to the next generation making it extremely difficult to discern truth from error and to depart from the false traditions learned in home at an early age.

#3 The Lord said in 2 Cor. 6:17, "Come out from them and be separate ... Touch no unclean thing ..." Doesn't God want His children to be set apart from the world and from sin and evil? Aren't we supposed to be peculiar people?

#4 Not celebrating Halloween is an opportunity to share the Gospel of Jesus Christ and helps those around you have the courage and strength to also let go of this false tradition and seek to do that which is pleasing to God on that day.

#5 Lets be honest. Do you your kids really need another opportunity to be fed full of junk food and to be entertained? Participation in worldly celebrations especially pagan holidays makes it difficult to teach children to be disciplined and to enjoy the simple pleasures in life that come as a result of hard work and delayed gratification.

Choosing not to celebrate Halloween doesn't mean that you have to lock yourself in your home with the lights off and hide from the world. Make it a day of prayer and a day of service. Get your kids involved in a cause. Instead of buying and consuming junk foods enjoy the wonderful harvest foods that are in abundance this time of year.

Unfortunately, Halloween is a day that children become victims of satanic ritual abuse. Make this a day of fasting and prayer for the protection of these innocent children who only experience the darkness and horror of this wicked and evil holiday.

(See more reasons and video links at <a href="https://ldsanswers.org/5-reasons-our-family-does-not-celebrate-halloween/">https://ldsanswers.org/5-reasons-our-family-does-not-celebrate-halloween/</a>)

# 5 Reasons to Not Celebrate Halloween by James Stoddard III (Includes Many Video & Supporting Article Links)

From <a href="https://ldsanswers.org/5-reasons-our-family-does-not-celebrate-halloween/">https://ldsanswers.org/5-reasons-our-family-does-not-celebrate-halloween/</a>

# Reason #1: The power of Satan is real. Never tell your kids witches aren't real.

Lucifer and his power is not cute. It's not a game. It's not fun. It's not funny. Read "5 Scary Stories Teaching What Halloween is Really About".

## Reason #2: Satan causes extreme suffering.

The night of Halloween is revered by those who engage in witchcraft and other occult religions.

(Glenn Hobbs from "Halloween: Trick or Treat?" Glenn Hobbs shares his childhood memories of Halloween and the horrific abuse he endured during Halloween rituals. (Videos embedded in the full text on the web page <a href="https://ldsanswers.org/5-reasons-our-family-does-not-celebrate-halloween/">https://ldsanswers.org/5-reasons-our-family-does-not-celebrate-halloween/</a>))

Christian men and women share their experiences with Satanic forces and/or rituals:

<sup>&</sup>quot;Real life paranormal" <a href="https://youtu.be/fDJZGRoJTN0">https://youtu.be/fDJZGRoJTN0</a>

Please note the Prophet Joseph Smith's teaching that no man can truly discern or cast out evil spirits "... without the Priesthood, and having a knowledge of the laws by which spirits are governed...". Individuals through the ages have exercised faith through prayer and evil spirits have been dispelled. How can this be if they did not hold the Priesthood? We must remember that the Lord can send angels from the other side of the veil with authority to answer prayer and faith.

(Study this further: <a href="https://josephsmithfoundation.org/faqs/health/lds-church-leaders-taught-concerning-christ-centered-energy-healing/">https://josephsmithfoundation.org/faqs/health/lds-church-leaders-taught-concerning-christ-centered-energy-healing/</a>)

Our family has determined that we will not celebrate the holiday that causes untold horrors for hundreds of men, women, children and infants.

#### See also:

- Former Satanist: "I Performed Satanic Rituals Inside Abortion Clinics"
- Woman Who Runs a Satanic Temple Blogs Every
   Step of How She Killed Her Baby in an Abortion

<sup>&</sup>quot;Nancy Dunn: Saving the Satanist" <a href="https://youtu.be/0g\_xsEvqmzs">https://youtu.be/0g\_xsEvqmzs</a>

<sup>&</sup>quot;Against her will, this woman was pawn to her father's evil game" <a href="https://youtu.be/tSAOn5uG66Q">https://youtu.be/tSAOn5uG66Q</a>

<sup>&</sup>quot;Barbara Arthur: The Truth about Witchcraft" https://youtu.be/2IKnN0SPOf0

<sup>&</sup>quot;The Danger of the Ouija Board" <a href="https://youtu.be/XvDeysgiOe8">https://youtu.be/XvDeysgiOe8</a>

# Reason #3: Halloween and other elements of Satanism mock God & His Priesthood

Many years ago, I was given the opportunity to speak personally with the son of a Satanist High Priest over one of the largest cities in the United States. To protect the life of my friend, I will not reveal the name of the city. Through our conversations, I realized that Satanic rituals and sacrifices are little more than the blaspheming of sacred words and and the blasphemous acting out of sacred rites to gain favor with Lucifer.

One example is the inverted pentagram, as demonstrated in this clip from <u>Statesmen & Symbols: Prelude to the</u>

Restoration.

<sup>&</sup>quot;Satanists and the Occult Desecrate Holy Symbols" <a href="https://youtu.be/7vjWD6P7ZA0">https://youtu.be/7vjWD6P7ZA0</a>

<sup>&</sup>quot;From Ouija Board to the Occult...to..." <a href="https://youtu.be/VJ8utR14uG4">https://youtu.be/VJ8utR14uG4</a>

<sup>&</sup>quot;Sarah, the Teenage witch...No Longer" https://youtu.be/XbG93qXBe6A

# Reason #4: Engaging in Satanic rituals, witchcraft and so forth is condemned in the Bible, Book of Mormon, Doctrine and Covenants & Pearl of Great Price.

#### **Book of Mormon:**

2 Nephi 12:6

Alma 1:32

3 Nephi 21:16

Mormon 1:19

Mormon 2:10

#### **Old Testament:**

Exodus 22:18

Leviticus 19:31

Deuteronomy 18:10

Joshua 13:22

1 Samuel 15:23

1 Samuel 28:3, 5-25

2 Kings 23:24

2 Chronicles 33:6

Jeremiah 27:9

Ezekiel 13:23

Micah 5:12

Nahum 3:4

Malachi 3:5

#### **New Testament:**

Acts 8:9-12

Acts 13:6-12

Galatians 3:1

Galatians 5:19-21

Revelation 9:21

Revelation 21:8

Revelation 22:14-15

#### **Doctrine & Covenants:**

Doctrine and Covenants 76:103

Doctrine and Covenants 63:17

(Must be a typo leaving off the POGP references)

<sup>&</sup>quot;Jessica Galbreth: From Dark Art to True Light\*" <a href="https://youtu.be/NZWVS-squal">https://youtu.be/NZWVS-squal</a>

"Spooky Witchcraft Memories of Life Before Christ" <a href="https://youtu.be/DK9rW5HWNPY">https://youtu.be/DK9rW5HWNPY</a>

"Sick of the Dark Side" <a href="https://youtu.be/KerVCRtooxo">https://youtu.be/KerVCRtooxo</a>

To learn more, see the following FAQ compilations:

- EVIL SPIRITS: Who/what are evil spirits? Where did they come from? Are they organized? Where do they dwell and what is their purpose?
- HARMLESS: Are ghosts, witches, sorcerers, and so forth simply harmless or entertaining?

# Reason #5: I know the history of Halloween

Our righteous forefathers refused to celebrate Halloween and similar festivals originating from Satanic worship. This celebration of death and fear was not observed by the Separatist Pilgrims, the Puritans, the Founding Fathers and the early pioneers. Why are we celebrating a day that "hallows" Satan?

You may also be interested in:

• The Pagan Roots of Halloween

### <u>They Sold Their Souls for Rock & Roll by Good</u> <u>Fight Ministries – Documentary Highlights</u>



Based on documentaries by Good Fight Ministries

They Sold Their Soul for Rock & Roll & Hollywood's War against God: Documentaries by Good Fight Ministries (from GoodFight.org)
Here we have a documentary on the evils of rock music historically and today. We also have short films about the same. Finally we have a documentary about Hollywood's use of Gnostic undertones to teach rebellion against God's plan for us (the core idea of Gnosticism being that the creator is a wicked dictator, and Lucifer is the "unsung hero" bringing wisdom to mankind).

This documentary and short video by Good Fight Ministries (GoodFight.org) show that the Satanism once reserved for death metal bands is now pushed into main stream pop music. They also show the roots of Satanism in Rock and Roll:

Documentary: They Sold Their Souls for Rock and Roll: This documentary includes themes such as the following: literal pacts with the devil for talent/fame/wealth/pleasure seen frequently in the rock music industry; rock song writers being inspired by the devil for lyrics and tones of songs "seeing concerts and taking notes on them" to create their music and the playing of those backward (or even just forward often) speaking of overt Satanism, which backward lyrics are sophisticated creation of Satan not of the musicians; the creator of the documentary reports that when he was a song writer before being born

again, he too would have lyrics of songs come to his mind, even to the extent that he would have to look up the meanings to the lyrics which came to him, not knowing their meaning; the roots of Aleister Crowley and other Satanic leaders; the pervasiveness of Satanic themes in old and modern rock rap and even pop music; from bluegrass singers who sold their souls to the devil at the cross roads, to Elvis, to the Doors and the rest of them, these singers are deeply involved in the occult; pedophilia rape murder drug abuse free sex homosexuality and all manner of evil are openly promoted by rock singers and their intellectual forefathers. Terms such as New Age and New World Order were inspired by the Devil. The Peace spoken of in the 60's was about how people could live wickedly and yet have peace, the thing most negated by the scriptures. Crowley points out that the family is the biggest hurtle against the Satanic agenda, therefore homosexuality is promoted. Also is covered the demons plaguing these artists which they drown out with alcohol etc., and their eventual sad disappointed forsaken deaths. It is shown how yesterday's extremists are today's moderates, and how we would today laugh at what offended people in the 50's. We are desensitized to evil. It is shown how music is the most powerful venue for Satanic doctrines to be spread, such as the phrase from the Satanic Bible, "Do as Thou Wilt" which became "Do your thing", and moral relativism in the false name of tolerance which dominates society today. Demonic doctrines of humans being no more than animals are promoted. The extremism once reserved for metal bands is now becoming mainstream as seen in pop music. More modern examples of this are documented in other films at goodfight.org. While contributing to the delinquency of minors used to be illegal, we see this is no longer the case. This documentary makes it painfully clear that the religion of Satan is alive and well today, and their churches are the rock concerts. Let me note that this documentary gets one thing wrong, they say the doctrine of being able to become a God is of the Devil, but in reality, Satan's doctrine is to become a God by evil, whereas God's doctrine is to become a God by good works and grace as outlined in Christ's doctrine.

They Sold Their Souls For Rock and Roll: Part 1:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=QSByCxGXXeM&t=120s

They Sold Their Souls For Rock and Roll: Part 2: <a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Et40kj2mDg4">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Et40kj2mDg4</a>
They Sold Their Souls For Rock and Roll: Part 3: <a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=lsohgBRbhac">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=lsohgBRbhac</a>

They Sold Their Souls For Rock and Roll: Part 4: <a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-nqkTQ0Et4Q">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-nqkTQ0Et4Q</a>
They Sold Their Souls For Rock and Roll: Part 5: <a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=j-UNitDy9sY">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=j-UNitDy9sY</a>

"Hollywood's War on God" full documentary: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=zC7jYfL2Ufc

it speaks of **Gnosticism** which turns God's plan upside down, saying the creator is evil and Lucifer is good and that Lucifer is manifest in Sophia or learning; they state that rules and limits are bad, and that the creator (God) is an evil dictator who punishes us by putting us in bodies; they hate bodies; they think they can change the future and eliminate the second coming of Christ by initiating some new order. Speaks of the root of scientology as being Satanism as seen in the writings of Aleister Crowley. Shows how V for Vendetta, The Matrix, Harry Potter, and others are hidden gnostic teachings.

HP Lavatski is a witch which Harry Potter is based on. Harry Potter's escape from the material world into the spiritual one is via communication with a serpent. Aleister Crowley also discovered he was a "wizard" at age 11 like Harry Potter, and other analogies of Potter and Crowley are shown.

Alan Moore is a film maker in whose films the heroes are always the devils.

Gnosticism of The Truman Show exposed, where "Moses" and "Christoff" are the bad guys, and Truman must escape the world he lives in which is a set up, and Truman gets a hint that the world is fake with a "falling star" item like Lucifer falling from heaven (the old Prometheus tied to a rock as being the good guy who brought fire to mankind and being punished by God inverting God as bad and Lucifer/Prometheus as good). Truman sees a woman who tries to tell him he is deceived she is sitting by a tree whose name is Sophia like Eve in Eden. Truman also looks within himself for divine identity rather than looking to Jesus Christ. They show 139 often to mock Psalm 139 which speaks of God constantly watching us. Truman becomes his own savior with the help of the fallen star, the woman, and the self-discovery. Truman's freedom is in his daringness to break the rules of the creator.

In the x-men movie, the hero's job is to overthrow the creator. The winged man is like the fallen angel who like Lucifer starts as good then

becomes bad, and who rejects his father, then falls from a window just before catching himself. The dark angel shape changer as the 4<sup>th</sup> horse of the apocalypse is also featured. The Beast is one character, whose job is to be a US ambassador to advocate for mutant rights. The mutants represent homosexuals.

Dan Brown's Divinci Code is also based on Gnosticism and thus strikes the doctrine of Christ. It leads people to worship a dead woman's bones rather than to worship Christ.

In a movie Pleasantville, when they sin, the world becomes more colorful and beautiful and a rainbow appears.

Truman wants to escape the real world to go to Tahiti.

But in reality, God created color, God created Tahiti and beaches etc. Rebellion is what taints the beautiful creation.

Hollywood has reintroduced the Gnosticism to deceive us in these last days (the idea that Lucifer is the good guy, and the creator is the bad guy).

The Matrix is a heavily gnostic movie of rebellion against the creator. Much details of that in the presentation.

[End of notes on They Sold Their Souls For Rock & Roll by Good Fight Ministries.]

[GFM denounces theosis (man becoming like God), here's a bit of my letter to GFM in favor of theosis: I want to thank you for your profound work; I've watched all of your videos and look forward to more productions. I'm going to spread your videos all I can... I still strive for guidance on how to choose Christian music, and I was praying for more guidance on that subject when I came across your website. I have knelt to thank God for leading me to your website. I am a latter-day saint and know there is a difference between us doctrinally about becoming gods. Briefly I say yes Lucifer wants people to TAKE GOD'S PLACE and become gods via evil. But God would have us become like him (NOT TAKE HIS PLACE) like a father wants a son to become like him, but this is only possible through righteousness. We wouldn't take God's place ever, but would be extensions of his enterprise, so to say. "Joint heirs with Christ", "if children then heirs", etc. For a bit more on this topic, my favorite sermon on this topic about how we need a Savior (Jesus Christ) because of God's justice, and that's how we avoid Lucifer's tyranny. See Elder Christofferson's 2017 BYU Devotional

titled "A Message at Christmas". I will also suggest that the serpent symbol, though correctly now represents the Devil, could have originally been divine (as in new testament "be ye wise as serpents"), and Satan's use of it in particular in Eden could have been a cunning move to deceive our first parents. (Thus anciently and in various cultures, some have used serpents to describe the real Christ also, like the ancient American Indians with Quetzalcoatl, or the Book of Mormon footnote to the flying serpents being a type of Christ.) One more thing I think you will like. You speak of the evils of Gnosticism, and how they hate our bodies etc. ('why are you wearing that man suit?' said the rabbit in Danny Darko, etc.) I believe that Jesus Christ currently has a body, that he always will, and that we too will always have our bodies after the resurrection. In other words, I believe in a literal resurrection, and I think any Gnostic would detest that. So I'm very satisfied with that belief. Spirit and matter connected are where we have joy; in other words, we need bodies to have full joy (D&C 93:33-34) (if interested, here is an article on how bodies are a blessing in greater detail drawing from scripture: "The Body as a Blessing" by John S Tanner, Ensign Magazine July 1993

https://www.lds.org/ensign/1993/07/the-body-as-a-blessing?lang=eng)

[End of my letter to Good Fight Ministries.]

Here are shorter films from Good Fight Ministries on the music industry etc:

Summary of musicians who use 666 openly:

https://youtu.be/HwaeDVnaJ-k

Robert Johnson, Satanism, and Satanism:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=PUK1P5x9Xak&list=PLxSUMS3C SNTaYIdBrGdswCXFMNUBmlhe4&index=1

Little Richard and Satanism:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=4oVlspnsVSI&list=PLxSUMS3CSN TaYIdBrGdswCXFMNUBmlhe4&index=2

Bill Haley and Satanism: The Trojan Horse of Rock and Roll:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=CIf52wVXiVU&list=PLxSUMS3C SNTaYIdBrGdswCXFMNUBmlhe4&index=3

Elvis Presley and Satanism:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=M813ZdDK4kE&list=PLxSUMS3CSNTaYIdBrGdswCXFMNUBmlhe4&index=4

Jerry Lee Lewis and Satanism:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=LZi3el3YB3M&list=PLxSUMS3CS NTaYIdBrGdswCXFMNUBmlhe4&index=5 George Harrison and Satanism (including song starting with Hallelujah, changing to Hare Krishna):

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=WQJOAJrbcvA&list=PLxSUMS3C SNTaYIdBrGdswCXFMNUBmlhe4&index=6

The Beatles and Satanism: <a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=eIm-yx\_638s&list=PLxSUMS3CSNTaYIdBrGdswCXFMNUBmlhe4&index=7">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=eIm-yx\_638s&list=PLxSUMS3CSNTaYIdBrGdswCXFMNUBmlhe4&index=7</a>

The Beatles, The Rolling Stones and Satanism:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=2JCrx3LP78I

The Beach Boys and Satanism:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=HBAgm-kfBmo

David Crosby and Satanism:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=bSuRatj2rkI&index=10&list=PLxSUMS3CSNTaYIdBrGdswCXFMNUBmlhe4

David Bowie and Satanism:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=SfTVYGqMots&index=11&list=PLxSUMS3CSNTaYIdBrGdswCXFMNUBmlhe4

Pink Floyd and Satanism:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=5MyipGXrO0E

The Grateful Dead and Satanism:

 $\frac{https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=85 As VlmpX2M\&index=13\&list=PL}{xSUMS3CSNTaYIdBrGdswCXFMNUBmlhe4}$ 

Jimi Hendrix and Satanism: <a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=e5vh6-75kvs&index=14&list=PLxSUMS3CSNTaYIdBrGdswCXFMNUBmlhe">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=e5vh6-75kvs&index=14&list=PLxSUMS3CSNTaYIdBrGdswCXFMNUBmlhe</a>

Carlos Santana and Satanism:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=IRbCN4cse88&index=15&list=PLx SUMS3CSNTaYIdBrGdswCXFMNUBmlhe4

Fleetwood Mac and Satanism:

 $\frac{https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=d6xG06r2fN4\&index=16\&list=PLx}{SUMS3CSNTaYIdBrGdswCXFMNUBmlhe4}$ 

Hill & Oats and Satanism:

 $\underline{https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=n0UUTrDjxcA\&index=17\&list=PLx}\\ SUMS3CSNTaYIdBrGdswCXFMNUBmlhe4$ 

Black Sabbath and Satanism:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Vw4FGhe9\_AA&list=PLxSUMS3C SNTaYIdBrGdswCXFMNUBmlhe4&index=18

Led Zepplin, Jimmy Page, and Satanism (including performing directions rite on stage):

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=F80RzK4jWUA&list=PLxSUMS3C SNTaYIdBrGdswCXFMNUBmlhe4&index=19

Led Zepplin and the Stairway to Heaven and Satanism (including automatic writing & reverse lyrics):

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=JMR9DdYiA-

w&index=20&list=PLxSUMS3CSNTaYIdBrGdswCXFMNUBmlhe4

The Eagles and Satanism:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=wJhqCGtPkyk&index=21&list=PLxSUMS3CSNTaYIdBrGdswCXFMNUBmlhe4

Van Halen and Satanism:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=9xiYKBWfZAk&list=PLxSUMS3C SNTaYIdBrGdswCXFMNUBmlhe4&index=22

KISS and Satanism:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=jwLj0hyJyws&list=PLxSUMS3CSN TaYIdBrGdswCXFMNUBmlhe4&index=23

AC/CD and Satanism:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=jtMVzNdl5pM&list=PLxSUMS3CSNTaYIdBrGdswCXFMNUBmlhe4&index=24

Sting and Satanism:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=qu3OrGR2QyI&list=PLxSUMS3CSNTaYIdBrGdswCXFMNUBmlhe4&index=25

Iron Maiden and Satanism:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=PGfDQ7Bsl\_I&index=26&list=PLxSUMS3CSNTaYIdBrGdswCXFMNUBmlhe4

U2 and Satanism:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=JkBHGeqcbDs&list=PLxSUMS3CS NTaYIdBrGdswCXFMNUBmlhe4&index=27

Prince and Satanism:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=khgDLsP55JI&index=28&list=PLxS UMS3CSNTaYIdBrGdswCXFMNUBmlhe4

Metallica and Satanism:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=CCEMOWfO1TY&list=PLxSUMS3 CSNTaYIdBrGdswCXFMNUBmlhe4&index=29

Michael Jackson and Satanism:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=811AQTeHI7c

Bob Dylan and the Devil at the Crossroads:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=2JCrx3LP78I

Beyonce and Satanism:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=21GOSnJc4Mg

Queen and Satanism: <a href="https://youtu.be/zrIzs6v1HOA">https://youtu.be/zrIzs6v1HOA</a>

Ariana Grande and Satanism: <a href="https://youtu.be/4i8VmxM0GxY">https://youtu.be/4i8VmxM0GxY</a>

Lady Gaga and Satanism: <a href="https://youtu.be/-fZSHPf3j2g">https://youtu.be/-fZSHPf3j2g</a>

Adam Levine (of Maroon 5), James Franco, ACDC, Ted Bundy, and

Satanism: https://youtu.be/KTKZUvb0enM

Ellie Goulding and Satanism: https://youtu.be/FCEFz2pYdgI

Miley Cyrus, Perverted Sex Pusher, Her Dad's Lament for Not Being a

Good Dad, footage of an AIDs diseased man, and Satanism:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?time\_continue=1&v=PIfOH428\_p8

Kesha, the Satanic Cult Leader:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=e8GfWJKyPVc

Katy Perry, the Super Bowl, forsaking Christianity, and Satanism:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=wHknzzJeK6Y

Bruno Mars, The Red Hot Chili Peppers, the Super Bowl, and Satanism:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Cj5bI38yGUU

Satan Worship at the

GRAMMYs: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=TMMfgsF6DnU

X-Men Movies and the Gay Agenda:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=2qWceLl65IM

The Noah Movie, Gnosticism, and Satanism:

 $\underline{\text{https://www.youtube.com/watch?time\_continue=1413\&v=k2Uzm7kE4U}}_{W}$ 

Note: I've learned Good Fight Ministries has some documentaries casting shame on the founding fathers of the US; I've seen theories like those before, and I don't buy them. The D&C also upholds those men as being the best on earth at that time, and we know that they came to the St. George temple seeking their temple work to be completed at a later time after their death. Notwithstanding that research which I don't support, I am very much in support of their research regarding the influence of the Devil in the music industry, and wish for everyone to see it.

# The Enlightened Ones (Illuminati): Highlights of Ken Bowers

My notes from Chapter 11 of Ken Bowers' "Hiding in Plain Sight: Unmasking the Secret Combinations of the Last Days", shared with permission.

-founder of Illuminati Adam Weishaupt says the end justifies the means; that sin is not sin if it is done with the intent of some supposed good or helpful idea. This Adam W. was deep into the occult. Illuminati means the Enlightened Ones. Adam W considered by many to be the most profound conspirator. Rothschilds controlled the Illuminati by financing Adam W. Masonic lodges are a headquarters for Illuminati. Rothschilds have instigated all wars. David Rockefeller is a partner with the Rothschilds. They have pharmaceutical companies and a lawsuit was filed against them for creating swine flu then promoting the vaccine to such, thus making billions. This is repeated with other diseases. They could be who cause the destructions before the second coming of Christ. Documents of NYC drug ring creating and sending out swine flu. The drug ring controlled by Rockefeller. These documents were sent to the FBI but because of Rockefellers hand in government they probably will not do anything with these documents. History of Adam W. given. p179

-Weishaupt knew many ancient languages and read texts and was convinced the Great Giza Pyramid was of initiation ceremonies. In 1771 he made his organization then in 1776 changed its name to Illuminati. It copied rites of the Masons. It was funded by Rothschild to be able to put people into positions in which they could cause wars. The illuminati were based on philosophies of Roseau, Voltaire, Diderot, and others of the Paris academy in 18th century, the age of reason by these philosophers is actually a hatred of how Christianity had power over monarchies of Europe and was to destroy Christianity. They made a fraternity to destroy the Church called the Philosophes. Voltaire said that Christianity is the devil and said to lie boldly always to promote the cause against these things; he wanted all morals from religions and monarchs to be destroyed. p180

-Illuminati founder Adam W. had an order established to convince people that it was a charitable organization and when the people were going to move up higher in the organization he told them that to do so they would have to denounce all religion and monarchy it being in the way of the happiness of humans. If they would not, they would not advance in the order. Once in the high order, not the Illuminatis Minor, but the Illuminatis Major, the real purpose of the organization, to rule the world, was revealed to that person attaining the status. They were to do that by destroying all existing governments and religions. They then would take an oath promising their every effort would be to that order, and to their superiors in the order. They had a group of police called

the Insinuating Brethren which was the members looking at each other and if they caught one another trying to tell people of the order they were to be killed. Its insignia was the all-seeing eye. Weishaupt was a Jesuit so he brought much of that order thereto. He deemed himself Rex (king) in the secret order. The texts of the order spoke of engendering hate towards races and sexes and religions. He wrote of what type buildings they were to burn. He planned the attacks, the 20th century violence seems to follow the instructions he wrote. p181

-in 1782 the Illuminati infiltrated the German Free Masons which soon became all European Free Masons, by their alluring promises of sharing the secrets the Illuminati had to offer. (Recall American free masons are a separate group and were not taken over by Illuminati until late 19th century). French Revolution of the 1700s started by the Illuminati. (Here as in elsewhere, much more explanation of how these things happened is given in the full text.) This was by their men causing the Jacobian club houses which had radical ideas. A mail man carrying Illuminati papers from Weishaupt was struck by lightning and his papers discovered, so the police shut down many Masonic Lodges known to be in the control of the Illuminati at that time of 1785. The Illuminati never ended, it just went underground with different names, same agendas. These subgroups have the same hand signs etc., and refer to themselves as Illuminati despite their different names. p182

-The unfinished pyramid with the all-seeing eye as the top stone was the seal, and it had the words Annuit Coeptis Vovus Ordo Seclorum meaning announcing the conception of the new order of the ages. Then roman numerals for 1776 at the bottom. This is what is on the back of our US 1\$ bill. We see the order is still alive and in control. The French Revolution came in the pretense of the aristocrats starving the others out. So rebels beheaded all the aristocrats they could, these rebels were Illuminati. Illuminati member Robespierre who leaded the revolt was killed, but had plans to kill 15 million Frenchmen, though only 300,000 were killed. After the failure of the French Revolution they went into hiding but did not die out. A partial LIST of the groups in which the Illuminati exists today are The German Union, The Tungenbund, Jacobian Culubs whom executed the French Revolution, Sublimes Maitres Parfaits (Sublime Perfect Masters), Societe des Saisons (Society of Seasons), Leagues of the Just whom commissioned Karl Marx and Frederick Engels to write the Communist Manifesto then changed the name of the group to the Communist League (thus the communist movement of the 20th century was from the Illuminati; also the Politburo of Russia still get together and have their handshakes and punishments etc. of old like the Illuminati they replaced they still want destroy all religion and government hence they celebrate May Day which is May 1 of 1776 when the Illuminati was formed; the communists still think they will be able to rule the world with the new world order despite glasnost and perestroika.), The Thule Society, and the Thule Society made The Skull and Crossbones group

(originally a fraternity of Yale University, taken over by Thule society, and those who believed easily their philosophies were given rank and the Rhodes Scholarships. President Bush was a member of Skull and Crossbones, and President Clinton was a Rhodes Scholar), The Club of Rome (who push for more governmental controls over the environment and thus over people), Fabian Socialism, and Anarchism. p183-184

-Also the Executive Committee of the Council on Foreign Relations is made up of Illuminati's, in that when joining the committee they go to a small room in the UN building and at an alter with the all seeing eye they are given the handshakes oaths and rituals of the highest, Rex, Illuminati Order. p184

-Hegelian Dialect is about mixing thesis with antithesis to create synthesis. (Put out crazy ideas and they get more and more accepted.). 1992 Gorbachev still will not admit that socialist theory failed or that Communism is dead. He said, "An alternative between capitalism and communism is in the offing" (immediate future). This is directly lining up with Illuminati methods. Nesta Webster wrote a book based on what Weishaupt called The New World Order, in a book by Nesta called World Revolution, it lists the 6 goals of the New World Order: 1. abolition of monarchy and all ordered government 2. abolition of private property 3. abolition of inheritance 4. abolition of patriotism 5. abolition of the family (i.e. of marriage and all morality, and the institution of the communal education system of children) 6. abolition of religion. Hegel a social philosopher said that war is what is needed to mix views of people, and thus planned wars could mix views of people in a planned way. p186

-Capitalism was the thesis, the current, so they posed an antithesis, being the opposite, which was communism (state owned, state planned, dictatorially run atheist society), opposite of capitalism (which was from Judeo-Christian values and a free market economy.) Now soon is coming in the "offing" (immediate future) according the Gorbachev, the antithesis of these ideas, which is the socially engineered synthesis of the thesis and the antithesis, the 2 being opposite and meshing together, to create a system called the New World Order, where in the means of production and distribution are privately owned, but the government dictates how much is produced and how many companies can produce the same product, and as for religion, it is not Judeo-Christian or Atheist, it is Satanic, the nice in the middle ground. We see this is what they wanted all along, and is why they went with communism for a time to get here to where the really wanted to be all along. To understand the contrast between capitalists and communists, read Wall Street and the Bolshevik Revolution by Anthony Sutton, and Wall Street and the Rise of Hitler by Anthony Sutton. These books also show that the American and European international bankers financed both the Bolshevik Revolution and the Nazi Movement, p187

-so, we see that the thesis, aka the status quo of capitalism, and the antithesis, aka the opposite of the status quo namely communism, were

influenced by the Bolshevik Revolution and the Nazi movement by the same puppeteer to get their desired outcome, the synthesis of a New World Government. The NWO people in the Nazi party financed Hitler to see if Fascism was a feasible economic theory to use in their NWO. This caused it to go from desolation from WW1 into a super-power strong enough almost to take over the world against the might of the USA. The USA is who lead the world, and they had capitalism, hence the antithesis had to be opposite of the then most powerful nation, the USA. So, they chose the antithesis of communism. For the creation of the synthesis, they needed a government to become the antithesis, they chose a place with similar land resources, size, and population as the USA, being Russia. The Illuminati funded Lenin in his revolt against the Czars of Russia. The western money and political power which the Illuminati pumped in to Russia kept it from collapsing in communism for a while (communism is weak as a system and would have otherwise collapsed more quickly). So, after WW2, the Russians have had planned conflict with the US. Hence the antithesis and the thesis conflict, and the breeding of the synthesis NWO. There are leaders of the Western Capitalists that are just as involved in this as the leaders of Communism, all working together to mix the thesis with antithesis and thus create the synthesis NWO. Recall the quotation from Gorbachav clearly aforementioned which clearly reveals this. (I say this evil plot is so effective and complex that none other than the devil himself must have created and divulged it to his minions). p188

-detail of a Rothschild agent using \$20 billion for the triumph of Bolshevism in Russia. This shows us that internationalists control communism. Shown how communism was financed by capitalists for this agenda. This creating your own enemies was used in ancient Rome by persons to gain power as mentioned earlier. 9/11 a fake terrorist attack was to have excuse for the Patriot Act which destroys the 4th Amendment to the Bill of Rights among other freedoms. p189

# The New World Order Religion: Highlights of Ken Bowers

My notes from Chapter 13 of Ken Bowers' "Hiding in Plain Sight: Unmasking the Secret Combinations of the Last Days", shared with permission.

Quote of people admire liars, and hate who try to tell them the truth.

The spirit gives light to all people, and that light is the spirit of Jesus Christ, and whoever hearken to it come to God the Father. (D&C 84:45-47; Moroni 7:16-17). So do your best with what you know, and you'll be saved.

After the Amalekites and Amulonites rejected the true gospel they still built synagogues and attempted to worship God. So we see the desire for religion is universal.

Satan tries to get people to worship in any way except the true way. He fills the vacuum of the desire to worship when people reject the true God.

Satan tries to sell many doctrines, hence there are so many churches.

Ultimately Satan wants people to worship him (Moses 1:12, 18-22; Matt. 4:8-10) p210

Satan does not enter the Eden scene until God had given Adam commandments, to which Satan could fight against.

Therefore we call him the adversary, he always fights against God and Christ. It's almost like the law of physics, for every action an equal but opposite reaction.

things to act, and things to be acted upon (2 Ne. 2:14)

Intelligence is what acts, matter is what is acted upon. These are the only two things that have always existed. (D&C 93:29, 33).

Satan has no intelligence because he has no light and truth, which is the definition of intelligence, which means he has become a thing to be acted upon, not a thing to act. He cannot act to his own accord.

He simply reacts in an opposite direction to what God desires. Hence, he wants people to worship him.

Church of the Devil dominion (control) over all earth (1 Ne. 14:10-11)

Benson, Ensign Nov. 1988, 86 says secret combinations seeking to overthrow the freedom of all lands are increasing their evil influence in American and the entire world.

A church may be defined as an organization which adores a supreme being, has defined tenants and beliefs, and practices prescribed rites or ordinances.

Non-religious organizations, i.e. financial and political, may still count as a church under this definition.

They use forms of atheism which weaken religions.

Humanism, existentialism, relativism, theory of evolution, materialism, etc.

They particularly hate Christianity, it standing against all they stand for.

They have their own form of religion with ritual etc.

If the world were only good, no worship of Lucifer would exist.

Truth is knowledge of things how they really are (D&C 93:24), and such is not always pleasant.

knowing truth is not always pretty, but always empowers us to make good choices.

The NWO religion is Luciferianism

attested by David Spangler (director of the Planetary Initiative for the United Nations), as it being an initiation into the NWO, and the way to wholeness, and liberation to both Lucifer and mankind. Spangler is in the New Age Movement. P213

The founder of the New Age Movement (the NWO) says Lucifer is the Savior and the logos and civilization all everything good (see Helena Petrovna Blavatsky, "The Secret Doctrine, vol. 2, 171, 225, 255)

They say Adonai is the bad God, and Lucifer the good one.

Not all the members of these organizations worship Lucifer, many are deceived. It is the leaders of the organization who worship Lucifer.

The CFR has its high level people (only the Executive Committee) take rites of initiation promising to serve Lucifer (see book "Secret Societies/New World Order" by Milton William Cooper, and afore mentioned reference of this text of this text about the CFR).

Lucifer keeps his dominion of various organizations in secret.

He knows that mankind is against him overall.

We all rejected Lucifer in pre-mortality (Moses 4:1-4; Rev. 12:3, 4; 7-9)

Lucifer hates all mortals, for they are who rejected him in pre-mortality. He especially hates those who promoted the plan of God.

Other organizations which worship Lucifer in the top levels of their organization are the Tri-Lateral Commission, the Bilderbergers, the Royal Institute for International Affairs, the Round Table Group, the Club of Rome, the Skull and Bones, the Thule Society, the World Council of Churches, the Illuminati, and others.

Other groups which lead to Luciferianism are witchcraft and Satanism. witchcraft

masses initiated into Lucierianism by this by telling them it's an old polysynthetic religion that worships the 'gods' of nature. They are told that they can get in touch with 'spirit guides' (evil spirits) that will speak to their minds and guide them to "higher levels of consciousness".

These evil spirits help fulfill spells that are cast. So yes, they can really cast spells which really work. They deceptively say it is like Christian prayer. these spells are no match for God's power, whom oversees all. Who keep covenants in The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints are promised protection from Satan's power, no matter in what form.

Witchcraft is the religion of the Illuminati.

The Golden Dawn coven is the personal coven of the Rothschilds. Freemasonry –p217

they get their signs tokens etc. from the Knights Templar of the middle ages, whom received them from the Gnostic Christians, whom claim to have preserved the secret teachings of the Lord Jesus Christ after his resurrection, of which most Christians have no record (\*this could be why people think LDS got some of their temple rites stolen from the Masons, for the LDS is the restored teachings of the Lord Jesus Christ).

they were infiltrated by the Illuminati

the high leaders of this hide with the cloak of good works by the lower people who do not know what is going on high in the program. They worship Lucifer and plan evil NWO things for the government in the high levels.

Book "Morals and Dogma of the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite of Freemasonry" by Albert Pike is given to those who get to the 32nd degree of the program.

it's pg. 321 praises Lucifer. In pg. 566-7 it says that the Prince of Darkness made Adam, and that Demons forbade Adam to eat the forbidden fruit, and that Demons made Eve. Pg. 567 of it says that Satan created and controls this world. Albert Pike 33rd degree member letter speaking of using Atheism to break down Christianity with violence them replace them both with Luciferianism. (see text for ref)

another Masonic quotation praising the power of Lucifer and his coming rule also in "The Lost Keys of Freemasonry" p48, Illustrious Manley Palmer Hall 33rd degree.

another Masonic quotation praising of Lucifer from "Brother Eliphas Levi, The Mysteries of Magic" p. 428 speaks of intellectual Lucifer being the Holy Spirit and controlling magnetism and being love and intelligent.

why were George Washington, Joseph Smith, etc. Freemasons? It was not infiltrated by the Illuminati at that time. George Washington himself warned his friends against the Illuminati in several of his letters. Explanation given in the text more fully, but note that Albert Pike was elected to the position of the Sovereign Grand Commander of the Southern Supreme Council of Freemasonry (see Mackey's Encyclopedia of Freemasonry p564). Pike was then contacted by the European Illuminati head Giuseppe Mazzini whom made him overseer of the illuminati activities in the US (see Kirban, "Satna's Angels Exposed, 157-8; and Ralph Epperson, "The Unseen Hand" [Tucson, Publius Press, 1985], 223.). In Sept. 20, 1870, Pike and Mazzini drafted a constitution that established an ultrasecret governing body of worldwide Freemasonry (joining European and American Freemasonry etc.), with main centers at Rome, Charleston, and Berlin. They put in that constitution a new super-rite for American Freemasonry (see Edith Starr Miller, "Occult Theocracy", 207-8, 215). The headquarters for American Freemasonry is at D.C. As we see from this text, the name of the super-rite Order was the New and Reformed Palladian Rite, or New-Gnosticism. They taught that Lucifer is as powerful as Adonai. "It is Lucifer who is worshiped within this Rite of Freemasonry" (ibid). This the "Palladian Rite" is practiced at the centers afore mentioned of Charleston, Berlin, Rome, and Washington D.C. (see Kirban, 159). Mazzini in a letter to Pike spoke of this highest rite to unite Freemasonry and maintain the people in unknown direction of their group and to keep it in strictest secrecy (Occult Theocracy, 208-9). The Middle East has it's form of Freemasonry called the Ancient Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine, the author believes they worship Lucifer at the top also. It was adopted in America and is known as the Shriners. Similar oaths punishments tokens etc. are taken. William J. Florence brought it to America, and he was initiated by an Arabian diplomat (Ancient Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine: A Short History [Tampa, FL: Shrine General Offices, Apr. 1985], 3)

Rosicrucian's aka the Society of the Red Cross are a secret society like the Masons, and they say their rites began with the Egyptians. They have similar signs tokens etc. as the Masons. They worship Ra the Egyptian sun god, which is also the Egyptian name of Lucifer.

Mackey in "Encyclopedia of Freemasonry" says the Templars many of whom were destroyed in the 1200's, joined with the Rose Croix (cross) and laid low for over 300 years. Then the two later merged with Freemasonry. Hence Masonry has orders (or levels) of the Rose Croix and the Templars. Other organizations with similar handshakes signs tokens etc. as the Masons are the Thule Society, the Skull and Bones, the Nine Unknown Men, the Club of Rome, DeMolay, and the Eastern Star.

## Highlights from Ken Bowers on Satanic Ritual Abuse

This lecture was found at latterdayconservative.com

- -James E Faust talk against Satan and all his devils. He says be careful with the devil, but that Brigham Young said that it's important to study evil (\*to know what we are up against etc.)
- -There was a Satanic group in which you were required to get on Prozac to be a member.
- -The Glen Page document is of 800 Mormons who were in Satan rituals to abuse children
- -they brainwash them with drugs
- -there have been several children burnings in several countries
- -these terrible things happened in the Book of Mormon as well.
- -federal reserve and council on foreign relations and a religious branch are 3 branches of the Satanic Ritual abuse. The name of the religion of the elites is Luciferianism, in whom they believe and worship. It requires human sacrifice, they do so, it's usually children. This is satanic, know that whenever we see human sacrifice. When the old testament says they made their children pass through the fire this is what it's talking about.
- -there are members and leaders in the LDS Church who practice SRA. We don't know if any General Authorities do, but recall they are able to turn against the Church and become devilish. Christ had his Judas. Joseph Smith and John C Bennet, William Higbee brothers, and others who at one time thought he was a great prophet then turned and sought his blood.
- -Petrona Blavatsky founded the New Age group, Wickery, the new kind of witch craft. She was funded by the Free Masons, and is Luciferian.
- -Doug Millar was LDS is excommunicated, he believed the General Authorities did SRA as a policy. a bad guy.
- -of this magic also, they believe in the 3rd eye etc. This is evil.
- -there are people who have flashbacks of their childhood of dark rooms, people in robes, knives and blood, children being sacrificed on alters.
- -Dr. Tru Ott is an excommunicated member of the Church, he made reports of top General Authorities doing SRA, that there is an alter for sacrificing children under the SLC temple. This is ridiculous. He is a liar. The holder of the master key of the temple that lets him in to the Holy of Holies etc. reports that there are 4 levels under the temple, and the bottom one is filled with family history things, not alters.
- -children who are victims of SRA get split personalities, one is the front normal one; another is a Manchurian candidate personality, where they're told to do something, then once they do they snap out of it, even like a murder. The third

personality is the one that has a vivid recall of what happened, such is pushed back, and they try to forget that personality exists.

- -The Children who see the SRA, the killing of the child on the alter, evil men say that the person with the knife doing the sacrifice is Gordon B Hinckley, or Thomas Monson, or Boyd K Packer, to get the child to believe such, and this is to denigrate and possibly destroy the LDS Church. They will believe it so strongly and fight to the last breath saying they saw them do that. It takes much recovery to overcome such.
- -even though the truth can be ugly, it's always empowering to make correct decisions to allow us to save ourselves from the evil of today.
- -one therapist tapped into a subconscious of one who did evil, he found an evil spirit inside the person, a report was made on such, Ken Bowers took notes, and recalled: the therapist asked him why he does these evil things, the spirit said it's because he must. The spirit was asked if there was someone above him making him do this; the spirit said if there was someone making him do it, it would be below him not above him.
- -tell what's doctrine of men and what's originating in Satan by those of men go on tangents, but those of the devil are totally 180 degrees from the truth. They say Lucifer is the Son of God and that Jesus is the imposter, which is totally the opposite of the truth.
- -in Jesus Christ's Church, we have people who have authority over us unto Jesus himself; in Lucifer's Church it's the opposite, their authority is under them until the very bottom, Lucifer.
- -99.9% of Free Masons are good people who do good, no question about that; but they aren't the ones in control of Free Masonry.
- -at the very top of Free Masonry and Satanism and Witchcraft are Luciferianisms. The intake for witches is the same as that of top levels of Free Masonry, word for word.
- -Joseph Smith said Free Masonry is the apostate temple worship copying.
- -Joseph Smith, George Washington, first 5 Presidents of LDS Church were Free Masons in the 1840 era; this is because that was the time before the Free Masons went bad up top.
- -May 1 1776 Illuminati were formed, Adam Weishaupt the founder was a Luciferian. They had a rite called The Palladian Rite which introduced it's members into the worship of Lucifer. They saw Free Masonry how it was secretive and wanted to get into it. In 1784 they got on to Free Masonry, introducing the Palladian Rite only at the top levels of Free Masonry. There were 2 centers of Free Masonry in those days, European and American Free Masonry; George Washington said the Illuminati got into the European Free Masonry, but the American Free Masonry they didn't have that influence. So they didn't have the Luciferianism in it. Hence JS and GW etc. could be in and not detect the devil in it for he wasn't. But in 1870 European Free Mason united

- with American Free Mason. Josepi Mozini and another man did this. They made it all under one head, and introduced the Palladian rite to the new big union.
- -Berlin, Rome, and Washington D.C. are the only places which administer the Palladian Rite today. The head of Free Masonry locally won't know anything about this.
- -the 33rd degree is divided into two in Free Masonry; this small part is who is introduced into the Luciferianism, and they lead the organization and set the agenda.
- -they hide behind the good works of the lay men to look like a good organization, but since it's lead by evil men, it's an evil organization.
- -what's the evil Free Masonry does? Influencing politics; the advisors, the power behind the throne.
- -not even the 32nd degree of Free Masons knows about the evil in the organization.
- -the Free Masons try to get the One World Order, the New World Order.
- -33rd degree Masons are interviewed if they are Christians and weather they would spit on the cross. If they say they are not Christians and would spit on the cross, they are told that they are going up higher in the organization, those who are Christian and who won't spit on the cross don't get to move up higher.

Those who hate Christianity are the governing powers of Free Masonry.

- -Free Masons are good people, but they don't understand the organization they work with.
- -we read in history books that Christians accused others of being witches and burning them; the truth is that the witches were accusing the Christians of being witches and having them burned so they could take their property.
- the truth was that the Pod Family who came over on the May Flower were Witches. More witches came. They were lazy, and the Christians would work hard, and they took their riches by pretending to work hard and getting into political power. They would become Sheriffs etc. The accusers in the Salem witch trials were all teen-age girls, and were children of witches, and they were told that when they brought someone before then, to accuse them of being witches. 18 women and 2 men were killed for being accused of being witch. These young women accusers would fall on the ground and bark like dogs, and howl at the moon etc., saying that the witches had put bad spirits into them. -once the Christians were killed for being accused of being witches, and the witch Sheriffs etc. would make sure that the auction of the property of the killed person would fall into the hands of the witches.
- -those killed from being accused of being witches were people who had no posterity to inherit their property, old widows, etc., these were people from whom they could get the property.
- -Morals and Dogma by Albert Pike, the book the Free Masons give the 32nd degree Masons as instruction. see pg. 321 for where it praises Lucifer. pg. 566 it says demons told Adam not to eat the fruit and that Lucifer made Adam. It says

an angel of light, Satan, induced him to transgress, but that the demons made Eve who messed things up even more. It says that Lucifer created and governs the visible world.

-Ken Bowers has 20 lectures he gives, he says contact him and he will come present them to you in your home or to your group etc.

Sharon Williams:

- -at 3-9 victim of SRA; at late 30's memory of such came, plaguing her through the night.
- -she had multiple personalities, believing one thing one day and another; her answers were the answers they programmed in her to answer; she was driven with terror to obey those who programmed her.
- -you can look up online the effects of SRA and thus be able to notice this in victims.
- -she has a book on her life story and healing
- -SRA is much more common than we believe
- -if the SRA people can't split the personality of their child victims they will often slay them

### Cristi Greenouch:

- -she was held under the water in a barrel by her ankles until she was about to drown, and they said to her "see, Jesus didn't save you, we did." She was about 9.
- -she saw that as a child, her spirit checked out of her body while they did these abuses to her. She saw Jesus holding her spirit while the evil men hurt her body as she recalled these times, and she asked Jesus why he would allow this to happen. His response to her with tears in his eyes was that he allows this to happen because of the agency of man, but that he never left her during the hard times.

Judy Byington (Therapist) (author of book "22 Faces" about recovering from SRA abuse):

- -the SRA investigators report that there are 8 SRA groups in Utah
- -book by Jenny Hill called 22 Faces reporting the SRA abuse to her and how it caused her to have so many different personalities. Dr. Greenbomb is the name of the man who programmed her.
- -30 years after the SRA human programmers came is when the people began to have a fear among them they called "The Satan Scare".
- -the human programmers have ways they access the mind of the human and control them by calling out the names of certain alters and so forth.
- -http://childabuserecovery.com is the website to support stopping SRA and other government mind control
- -Ivory Garden is a network of about 3,000 survivors of SRA
- -Rabbit Hole: A Satanic Ritual Abuse Survivor's Story (Paperback) by David Shurter

### Chris Anderson:

- -speaks of a Catholic monastery with catacombs beneath it where the women (including herself) were raped
- -she felt blood being pulled out of her soul while standing there, and called upon God for help.
- -it takes 30 min. for an SRA person to split a personality. There is a ritual to it. The SRA person knows how to do it. The SRA person can grab them, do this to them for 30 min, then put them back on time to catch the bus for school. The child may not know what went on but not feel right. Then they may grow up with all kinds of compulsions and anxieties etc.
- -when a child says they don't feel good about a certain leader or Dr. etc., trust them and don't make then see that person.
- -the Satanists are willing to die for what they believe

#### Brandon Scott:

- -Bayer family changed their name to Rothchild's. From them comes the funding for SRA and Illuminati. They say the power in their order lies in its concealment. They take existing organizations and infiltrate them from the top down.
- -Albert Pike is one of the main people involved. He also is the only General with a statue in Washington D.C.
- -Webster's 1828 dictionary says the root word of combination is conspiracy
- -John Robison book "Proofs of a Conspiracy" written in 1798
- -"Operation Paperclip" is about CIA conspiracies
- -Darin Brown, "The Experiments of An Assassin"; find on google etc., about 47 min research. Shows that SRA and torture and fear of drowning etc. can engage mind control on people.
- -The Eagles, album Hotel California is laid out in Luciferian language. The Hotel California is the Church of Satan.
- -Look up Allister Crowley
- -Led Zeppelin song "Stairway to heaven" it was written by Allister Crowley in his mansion, then when the Zeppelin band reported writing the song, they said they just picked up the pen and the song wrote itself.
- -J Reuben Clark and David O McKay said they were living in the biggest era of propaganda that the world had ever seen.
- -J Edgar Hoover said that in America the people will be faced with a conspiracy so large they will even question that it exists. This goes back to the 1400's and is a family blood line. It involves incest and rape.
- -Glen Pace report on SRA. He was asked to do research on this by President Ezra Taft Benson. See http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Pace\_memorandum; see also see http://www.utlm.org/newsletters/no80.htm
- -Rabbit Hole: A Satanic Ritual Abuse Survivor's Story (Paperback) by David Shurter

- -"Operation Paperclip" about SRA, see http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Operation\_Paperclip
- -"Allister Crowley" is a major SRA founder; search him; for example see http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Aleister\_Crowley
- -The Quintus Tribe: claims to be the ascendants of Cain; Flavious Josephus historian writes about this