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LOVE OVERCOMES WITCHCRAFT

"Husbands, love your wives, even as Christ also loved the church, and gave Himself for it," (Eph. 5:25).



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"Family Lines Occult Bondage"

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MAGICAL ARTS

Could it be happening because America has left its faithful trail of seeking the one true God and is going after other gods? For sure, there has been a steady descent toward witchcraft which is known as the "Old Religion" which is an ancient practice dating back to biblical times. Witchcraft can be defined as the performance of magic, forbidden by God, used for non- biblical ends. The word witchcraft is related to the old English word Wiccan, which means, "practice of magical arts." You must separate yourself from the powers of darkness.

"And what concord hath Christ with Belial or what part hath he that believeth with an infidel? And what agreement hath the temple of God with idols? For ye are the temple of the living God; as God hath said, I will dwell in them, and walk in them; and I will be their God, and they shall be my people. Wherefore come out from among them, and be ye separate," (2 Cor. 6:15-17).

LOVE CONQUERS WITCHCRAFT

Danny Lamb was exactly the husband that Ephesians chapter Five describes. Husbands are supposed to love their wives. Many men would have given up on Rita's condition.

Despite the odds, Danny believed that she would be healed. His eyes sparkled as he kissed his daughter, Jessica and took the microphone. She bowed her head looking drained.

Danny went directly to the meat of the matter. "How many of you believe in witches? Do you believe they are real and have supernatural powers?" He stopped mouth opened, flushing deeply. You could almost see the effort he was making a point to insure getting his message across to the group. Almost everyone raised their hands, or shook their heads "yes." A few chose to sit in unbelief waiting to see what else would be said.

"Believe me," Danny continued, "I know that witches are real and very powerful and from personal experience. Did you know that they can hurt and even kill you? My wife, Rita and I know a person in our town that died through drugs given by the witch, Della. Also, three teenage girls were killed in an automobile accident. They did everything together, worked at the same place and had even attended a séance and associated with the witch, Della! The weirdest thing happened when they died, their bodies mysteriously turned green and swelled and the doctors had no explanation! We knew it was caused from the spells of the witches. It's easy to understand why God warned us in the Bible to stay away from witches, when you've been touched by these evil powers as we have. (Lev. 19:31), says: "Regard not them that have familiar spirits (mediums), neither seek after wizards to be defiled by them. I am the Lord your God."

Danny took a sip of water waiting for that to sink into their minds. "Many people begin with "harmless," dabbling into the occult playing with the powers of darkness. H owever, we can warn you that this occult activity can often lead to capture by the devils possessing them. We've seen the victims become driven for a quest for power. People want control over the future, spirits, or over other individuals. Satan leads them deeper and deeper into witchcraft.

After a witch becomes involved with the Devil's power, she becomes a willing instrument to do his work. Satan blinds their minds and they actually believe that they are controlling the magic forces. However, if a witch ever wakes up, they discover that they are spiritual slaves.

Witchcraft can mean many different things: curses, hexes, talisman, séances, Ouija boards, psychics, palmists, automatic writing, and levitation, mineral divining," said Danny. "There are many other ways that we can be contaminated with evil spirits. With parents actively engaged in the occult, children may suffer as well. It's a spiritual law." He quoted (2 Chron. 33:6), tells us: "And he caused his children to pass through the fire in the valley of

the son of Hinnom: also he observed times and used enchantments and used witchcraft, and dealt with a familiar spirit, and with wizards: he wrought much evil in the sight of the Lord, to provoke him to anger."

He shuffled the pages of his Bible as he continued, "Also, turn with me to (Deut. 28:10-12). "There shall not be found among you anyone 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 abominations to the Lord thy God, and because of these abominations, the Lord thy God doth drive them out from before thee." These Scriptures show us that want His people to be aware of the dangers of Witchcraft."

Danny pointed to a Christian author, Johanna Michaelsen, that captures the satanic essence of meditation and Guiding Spirits (demons) in her book, "The Beautiful Side of Evil", ¹reveals how deception works when a person becomes involved with witchcraft. "She says, 'The person who is involved (in the occult) is truly deceived into thinking they have just discovered THE one, true way to actually come into contact with God. In reality, they have just come into contact with a satanic demon, who has temporarily transformed himself into a being appearing very kind, gentle, and wise. The stage is set for these demonic beings to manipulate and mislead their human victims. These people have become demonically possessed."

This happened in 1982 and witchcraft powers were just beginning creep out of the alleyways of darkness of Satan and appearing in books, newspapers, television and radio talk programs. Most Christians and certainly very few preachers talked about demons and devils. Danny had their attention. Looking at the faces of the women some looked fearful while others were full of unbelief.

Danny warned the group to stay away from Ouija boards. "We have had many friends that have tried to burn them and found that they burn with great difficulty. Some had to soak them in gasoline. If you just throw them in the fire, they just won't burn. This is true, even though they are only made out of cardboard. These "games" are powerful satanic tools to entrap people into the occult. When they finally do burn, people report that they will make weird noises . . . enough to make the hair on the back of the neck stand up."

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http://www.amazon.com/Beautiful-Side-Evil-Johanna-Michaelsen/dp/0890813221

As Danny shared this testimony, a few of the women got strange looks on their faces. You could tell that they had these "games" in their homes.

"It's every bit as harmful to consult the Ouija board as it is to worship Satan or practice black magic," Danny pushed on with the dangers of having the occult games in the home. "It's just as demonic to read tea leaves or have one's palms read as it is to go to séances and 'call the dead back'. He explained that demons familiar with the deceased that impersonate their dead relatives in a séance. "All these practices are occult; all pave the way for the one practicing them to become demon possessed!"

When Danny was exposing these things, many Christians had never thought of things before. Our country was a Christian country and most people were just beginning to beginning to be exposed through the media and movies. However, these powers were being glamorized, heralded as great and particular good supernatural gifts. No one feared them. This was the beginning of time of Satan's taking our country church by church and block by block into the powers of darkness.

DESTROYING OBJECTS

Danny went on to say, "First and foremost, Christians should never seek information from a witch, fortune teller, psychic or read their occult books. Satan lies! Always remember, that God never intended that his people be ignorant of the Devil's devices. God has Saints who are trained by Him to expose the wiles of Satan. You may find many books concerning the subject and exposing witchcraft written concerning the powers of darkness from God's point of view in many Christian book stores. Be careful!"

"If you have these occult items in your home," Danny pointed to his Bible, "the Word of God clearly instructs His people to destroy all things related to these occult items by burning them with fire or breaking them. Furthermore, it tells us not to desire any silver or gold that is on them. God commands that the believer is not to desire, or take for personal reasons, or to give to any other individual under any circumstances. In this respect, God was very strict and commanded that there should not be even any "desire" for the item or any part of it. There should also be no emotional attachment to the objects. This includes articles that are inherited from family members, and friends. Of course, these articles also can include objects that are inherited from family members in the Masons, cult religions such as Bibles, religious articles and statues from the Catholic faith such as, Jesus, Mary, Joseph, and dead saints." Since Danny's family greatly suffered by the powers inflicted upon them from a practicing "white witch," he was driven to get his warnings to God's people. "It's important to get rid of all occult books and materials in your home. When Rita was delivered, the Lord led us to get all the things Della, the witch had given us. We got them out of our house. I discovered her contact objects where places for the demons to indwell. When we decided to burn her occult object, we had heard about the Ouija boards and decided we'd take our tape recorder in case something made sounds. I soaked the stuff in gasoline. It was a beautiful clear night with a full moon and we started the fire and listened for about ten minutes. Nothing happened. We were disappointed. The tape recorder was still going and we were having a good time, joking around. Everybody was feeling better."

The audience got the look, this is insane, and of course nothing happened.

Danny picked his theme of disposing of the witchcraft articles that they had collected from Della. He said, "Suddenly there was a feeling of evil in the air. It was like a cloud of darkness dropped from the sky. Yet, it was still bright and the fire flickered brightly, but there was a black was cloud coming over us. We all felt it. The fire was still smoldering and a feeling of fear filled the atmosphere and we all looked up. Suddenly a giant bird came out of the fire and flew south. It made a bloodcurdling screech was a large solid black bird, with a wing span of three or four feet. I know every bird in the state of Florida, but this was not a bird that I had ever seen before. The only way I can describe it is, like when you see "prehistoric movies"; they have a bird with claws on its wings, a long beak. This thing flew right over the fire and hovered a little bit higher than the roof of the house. When it got absolutely overhead, then we heard another penetrating, piercing screech. It sent goose bumps up and down my spine and my hair stood up on the nape of my neck. A black shadow of something lifted out of the fire soaring up to the bird!

"We have that piercing scream on our tape recorder and have played it many times! It's perfectly clear. I've never heard another bird make a sound like that." Danny cleared his throat. The people looked a little bewildered as he divulged this eerie information. "It was unbelievable. Much evil is being fed through the TV networks . . . witchcraft, séances, etc. And it's possible to become involved in witchcraft by simply watching TV. Unnerving, but true . . . Satan's the god of the air. In a popular TV show, the heroine calls upon spells, and magic to change whatever is going on. Such popular shows deal with the world of the occult. These type shows will open you to put your guards down. Don't be duped by the Devil. He knows what he is doing."

Danny closed his Bible to finish his talk. "The majority of Christians today are almost totally ignorant of the nature, tactics and presence of evil spirits. As a result, multitudes are needlessly living in torment. The Bible says, *"Lest Satan should get advantage of us: for we are not ignorant of his devices,"* (2Cor. 2:11). Unfortunately, today's Christians are too ignorant!"

THE OCCULT IS GROWING

Ignorance is not bliss. Every time that a Christian disobeys the Word of God, opens the person to become subject to demonic spiritual attack. These satanic articles are doorways for Satan and his demons to captivate and enslave the minds of people that open the door by accepting these images into their homes.

The Bible gives a clear warning regarding graven images of these creatures. These images include drawings, imprints, diagrams, engravings, carvings, figurines, paintings, computer printouts, photographs, trinkets', artwork, jewelry and any other representation of mythological creatures.

The Bible says, "The graven images of their gods shall ye burn with fire: thou shalt not desire the silver or gold that is on them, nor take it unto thee, lest thou be snared therein: for it is an abomination to the LORD thy God. 26 Neither shalt thou bring an abomination into thine house, lest thou be a cursed thing like it: but thou shalt utterly detest it, and thou shalt utterly abhor it; for it is a cursed thing." (Deut. 7:25, 26).

Due to the growth of occultism in our society, people are now forced to notice things that were previously not mentioned. Although many Christians want to avoid discussion of these things ("too controversial"), we must face facts . . . only the Name of Jesus puts the Devil to flight. How amazing it is that the Lord has to use baby Christians to teach His people the importance of getting back to the Bible and using scriptural principles to fight spiritual warfare, Danny was such a Christian . . . although young in the spirit, willing to pay the price for victory in Christ, he was standing up because the powers of darkness almost destroyed his wife and children. He was on a mission. He wanted to warn everyone that witches and witchcraft is very destructive and is capable of killing whether you believe in it or not!

Americans are getting a steady diet of witchcraft. Even Christian Churches are diving into the promotion of fantasy movies and spiritual blindness is everywhere.

A FAMOUS WITCHES FROM THE IMMEDIATE PAST

Famous witch, the Late Sybil Leak exploded on the scene in the seventies. She is responsible for the explosion of witchcraft on the college campuses. A front line person spreading the powers of witchcraft worldwide, Mrs. Leek, also popularized the hunger for witchcraft in America visiting the television and radio talk shows and interviewed for featured articles in leading magazines. Her books are still taught in universities and colleges as courses. She became so successful that many said that she forgot how to cast a spell.

Did Ms. Leak become a Christian? Many Christians from Melbourne, Florida testify of firsthand knowledge of America's most famous witch, Sybil Leek's profession of repentance and confession of faith in Jesus Christ.

Rev. Arlene Coulter, Resurrection Ranch, Melbourne told me Mrs. Leek was on her death bed at a local hospital, fifty Christians linked arms outside and prayed for her soul and two women prayed for Ms. Leek. Coulter said, "Ms. Leek received Jesus as her personal Savior."

Former witch, the late Rev. Irene Park, *The Witch That Switched*, confirmed to me that a woman from Melbourne called her out of a meeting in Texas speaking to her about Sybil Leek. The world's most famous witch, Sybil Leek and Florida's famous witch, Irene Park, were transformed out of the kingdom of darkness into His wonderful light. Both women both were most despicable women of the recent history are rejoicing around the throne of Jesus Christ.

Irene A. Park, author, The "Witch That Switched" grew up in the world of witchcraft, familiar spirits, voodoo, drugs and pornography. In the realm of satanic power, she rose to the position of High Priestess for the State of Florida only to see herself being destroyed by the very demons that she had faithfully served. Her amazing story that spans 40 years of every evil imaginable but ends in victory in Jesus! Given up to die by doctors and her own Satanic clan; her salvation, deliverance and healing is a mighty testimony to the power of Christian love and prayer. Left for dead at age 43 Irene Park calls out to God and He brings in the intercessors. In her book, *The Witch That Switched*, Rev. Park shares the moving and forceful story of Jesus' victory in her life. "The Lord told two bold Christian women to fast and pray for a woman called Irene Park. They obeyed Jesus and believed for her conversion by praying and fasting 40 days for her soul!

The bible tells us that 'she, who has been forgiven much, loves much'. Irene knows the lies of the evil one and took a stand for God every day of her life. Irene knew that the enemy of our faith will use any means possible to deceive those that are enticed to learn about any mystical powers, through board games, roll playing, or witchcraft. Irene found out that even at the early age of 3 that a seemingly innocent 'imaginary friend' can bring a lifetime of demonic influence if not brought under the blood of Jesus Christ. Irene knew that it was not a game. The enemy only comes to steal, kill, and destroy.

Reverend Park dedicated her life to following in the footsteps of Jesus. Jesus Himself said that "you will do the works that I do". Jesus told His followers that He came to 'Undo the works of the devil. She was definitely 'Special Forces' in the army of God.²

JESUS CHRIST OR SATAN

There are only two sources for supernatural power: Jesus or Satan. Seeking power beyond the Word of God and Jesus Christ finds one stepping into the world of the Occult.

The term *occult* is derived from the Latin word "*occultus*," which means to cover up, hide, or those things which are hidden or secret; a brief definition of the occult is the practice of attaining supernatural knowledge or powers apart from the God of the Bible.

Through these practices' occultists seek to influence the present or future circumstances, of their lives or the lives of others. No one can dabble in the occult and come away unshackled. It is not harmless games and fun. Occult involvement whether done innocently or not, is disobedience to God's Word. When people ignore God's warning and enter a forbidden realm, they witness spiritual phenomenon.

The Devil does have supernatural power. However, everything he does for people, he requires payment. The result of occult involvement causes oppression, depression, confusion, delusion, and physical ailments of all sorts. We are warned not to be ignorant of Satan's devices in (11 Cor. 2:11).

Christians should never seek service, direction or healing from an occultist or psychic. When any Christian pursues healing from these demons, they will be bewitched and guided by the devils. Many have discovered to their surprise and horror that Satan is the one who is willing to divulge supernatural affairs and give them momentary assistance. Often too late, they find that the real source of their advice and supernatural ability is demonic. Confusion results and many end up going into insane asylums and never return! Occult powers come from Satan. When one uses occult power, he or she opens a door for the devil to enter into their spirit. Once the door is opened, very few victims ever get it to shut again.

Resist the Devil. Align yourself with Jesus Christ' invincible power, Satan and his demons will flee from you. It's scriptural . . . and God cannot lie!

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