

Article Thirteen

The Chronicles of Narnia: The Lion, The Witch, and The Wardrobe

Conversion of C. S. Lewis The Philosopher of Religious Mixture

JESUS IS THE DELIVERER

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SUNDAY SCHOOL NARNIA DIALOGUE -FAIRY TALE RELIGION

With eager anticipation, churches across America prepared for the great event of the year. Many church leaders encouraged parents to read *The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe* to their children and some held seminars to train families in constructive Narnia dialogue. Pastors used the book instead of the Bible for Sunday morning inspiration. They rented buses to transport their congregations to reserved theaters. Rick Warren treated Saddleback Church as well as pastors from across the country to a full length preview a week before the December 9 opening. And the tidal wave of praise has silenced most contrary voices.¹

(Lk. 13:3), **“I tell you, Nay: but, except ye repent, ye shall all likewise perish.”**

(II Pet. 2:1-3), describes the methods of the end-time false ministers. “But there were false prophets also among the people even as there shall be false teachers among you, you privily shall bring in damnable heresies, even denying the Lord that bought them, and bring upon themselves swift destruction. And many shall follow there pernicious ways; by reason of whom the way of the truth shall be evil spoken of. And through covetousness shall they with feigned words make merchandise of you: whose judgment now o a long time lingereth not, and their damnation slumbereth not.”

What are these Christian leaders promoting? Iniquity. They are promoting Iniquity. Jesus said in (Matt 7:21-24 21), **“Not everyone that saith unto me, Lord, Lord, shall enter into the kingdom of heaven; but he that doeth the will of my Father which is in heaven. 22 Many will say to me in that day, Lord, Lord, have we not prophesied in thy name? And in thy name have cast out devils? And in thy name done many wonderful works? 23 And then will I profess**

unto them, I never knew you: depart from me, ye that work iniquity.”

The apostle Peter indicated that many would come in the name of Christ, yet deny Him as both Lord and Savior. The apostle also said that these same apostates would make merchandise of the members of the churches. In other words, like the Nicolaitans, they would use the money to gain advantage (Rev. 2).

FANTASY STORIES

The Chronicles of Narnia is a collection of seven fantasy stories. The jacket cover says, “Here is your passport to a most extraordinary excursion into magical lands and enchanted happenings. If you’ve never been to Narnia, you can enter it for the first time with any of the books below . . .

The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe is the first in this so-called “Christian” series of occult books for children. The title, itself, should be a tip off to a discerning Christian. How can a Christian book have such an occult label?

The story involves four children who step through a magic wardrobe (a portal witchcraft doorway) into the occult land of Narnia. Narnia is populated by talking animals who have equal status with humans. (Sounds like New Age?) The land of Narnia is ruled by the White Witch who makes the land always to be winter. The land is populated with ghouls, werewolves and all manner of evil creatures siding with the witch. The witch has powerful magical powers and is able to turn all of her enemies into stone. The wicked witch tricks one of the children into coming over to her side, and the other children must rescue him.

Aslan, a huge lion and the son of the great emperor of the north, is the only one who can set things right in Narnia. He negotiates with the witch for the salvation of one of the children. He must die to save the child. ² He is sacrificed upon an altar. This is exactly how wizard, witches and Satanist sacrifice their animals. Remember Jesus was sacrificed on the Cross for our sins.

However, Aslan does not stay dead, he has a resurrection and saves the day. Aslan responds to the question of what it all means with, “It means that though the Witch knew the Deep Magic, there is a magic deeper still which she did not know.” Eventually, the White Witch is destroyed and spring returns to Narnia.³

Obviously, there is a salvation message in all of that, but is it the message of Jesus Christ? Obviously not. It is the salvation message of an occult, New Age lion that has, not only more powers than a human, but enough power to rival our Savior in the eyes of young readers. ⁴

Aslan is not the Lion of the tribe of Judah, we know as Jesus Christ. According to the *Dictionary of Mythology, Folklore, and Symbols* by Gertrude Jobs, the sun is “The active or male principle in nature, wanderer, lion, gold, symbolized by the bow and arrow.” ⁵

J. E. Cirlot’s definition of Apollo is so interesting. “Apollo in mythology and alchemy, his spiritual and symbolic significance is identical with that of the sun. The spreading golden hairs

which crown the god's head have the same meaning as the bow and arrow (Sun rays). The Greek name for Apollo is Apollon, which means 'from the depths of the lion' and expresses the meaningful relationship of the sun with the fifth sign of the Zodiac, Leo." ⁶

So there! Aslan is actually a solar deity- and not an analogy of Jesus Christ. ⁷

C. S. LEWIS TESTIMONY

Who is this man, and what were his beliefs that he should be touted as such a monumental Christian? C. S. Lewis (1898-1963) was a college professor, and author, and had his own radio broadcast for many years. He was into paganism, an atheist, who converted to theism, and later professed Christianity. His most notable work, for which he has won much acclaim, is *Mere Christianity*. The author basically describes the book's intent as an effort to set forth the fundamentals that form the basis of Christianity, excluding all doctrines and opinions that are not integral to Christianity (or, at least his definition of Christianity), thus, the name *Mere Christianity*. The exclusion of all such doctrines allows for the inclusion of all faiths.

Speaking about *Surprised by Joy*, Lewis's spiritual autobiography, Mitchell adds, "Lewis takes the entire book to get to theism and unpacks it carefully, but his actual movement to Christ happens in about two or three sentences. That is all he says. At the end of the day, Lewis believed that in Christianity you are confronted with a person that you say either yes to or no to . . ." ⁸

- He was an unwilling convert. "You may picture me alone in that room in Magdalen, night after night, feeling, whenever my mind lifted for even a second from my work, the steady, unrelenting approach of Him whom I so earnestly desired not to meet. That which I greatly feared had at last come upon me. In...1929 I gave in, and admitted that God was God, and knelt and prayed: perhaps that night, the most dejected and reluctant convert in all England." (p.?) [Emphasis added.] (Jam. 2:19), "Thou believest that there is one God; thou doest well: the devils also believe, and tremble." Claiming to believe in God is not conversion. What's more, anyone who has ever been truly born again knows that the emotions that come to mind are not dejection and reluctance at having to do so!

HIS TESTIMONY IN HIS OWN WORDS

C. S. Lewis tells us he was being driven to Whipsnade on Sunday morning. He says, "When we set out I did not believe that Jesus Christ is the Son of God, and when I reached the Zoo I did. Yet, I had not exactly spent the journey in thought. Nor in great emotion. "Emotional" is perhaps the last word we can apply to some of the most important events. It was more like when a man, after a long sleep, still lying motionless in bed, becomes aware that he is now Or do they differ at their maximum? At that maximum a man is what he does, there is nothing of him left over or outside the act. As for what we commonly call Will, and what we commonly call Emotion, I fancy these usually talk to loud, protest too much, to be quite believed, and we have a secret suspicion that the great passion or the iron resolution is partly a put-up job."⁹

“When we set out I did not believe that Jesus Christ is the Son of God, and when I reached the Zoo I did.”¹⁰ (This quote is a little unclear as to whether he believed because of what he saw in the zoo or because of what he was thinking on the way. More information needed.) At any rate it does not resemble Paul's testimony in (1Cor. 15:10), “But by the grace of God I am what I am: and his grace which *was bestowed upon me was not in vain; but I laboured more abundantly than they all: yet not I, but the grace of God which was with me.*”

Well, that's it. His testimony of his supposedly conversion by his own words was simply an recognition that he suddenly came to believe that “Jesus Christ was the Son of God. It just came to him. He admits that he had not emotion, no feeling, he gives a mental assent. Friends, no one finds Jesus by their intellectual minds. The Holy Spirit reveals Jesus by His Spirit to our spirit. The Holy Spirit always brings conviction sin. He does not just drop the reality of Jesus into the human mind. No one can receive Jesus Christ without repentance. Repentance comes in conversion when the Holy Spirit reveals Jesus Christ to us. You see how wretched we are, standing in His Divine presence and holiness.

C. S. Lewis' description of his “surprise conversion of Joy,” shows that he simply became aware that Jesus Christ is the Son. There was no reaction, no commitment. He simply says he did not believe it one minute and then the next minute he did. This is not a description of a traditional Christian conversion. Millions give Jesus this same type of mental assent but they are not born again. You see, if C. S. Lewis had ever really received Jesus and became born again, he would have repented by destroying his demonic witchcraft investigations and writing them for the destruction of children's souls.

The Bible tells us to [Bring forth therefore fruits, (Matt 3:8)]. That is, the proper fruits of reformation; the proper evidence that you are sincere. Do not bring your cunning and dissimulation to this work; do not carry your hypocrisy into your professed repentance, but evince your sincerity by forsaking sin, and thus give evidence that this coming to Jordan to be baptized is not an act of dissimulation. No discourse could have been more appropriate or more cutting.¹¹

There simply is no testimony of repentance from C. S. Lewis' testimony of his so-called conversion to what he calls “Christianity.” The Word of God says that according to Jesus, **“And that repentance and remission of sins should be preached in his name among all nations, beginning at Jerusalem,”** (Lk. 24:47). Yes, repentance is the very foundation of the Christian faith. **“Therefore leaving the principles of the doctrine of Christ, let us go on unto perfection; not laying again the foundation of repentance from dead works, and of faith toward God,”** (Heb 6:1). The Bible teaches, without repentance, there is no justification for your sins.

Millions say that they believe that Jesus Christ is the Son of God, born of Virgin, died on the cross, but they have never received Him as Savior. They are not born again. Becoming Born Again is more than an just recognizing that Jesus Christ is God, born in the flesh. It's acknowledgment that you are a sinner and have need of a Savior. It's repentance from your sins and then giving Him your commitment asking Him to become your personal Savior. True

repentance is an inward thing which has its seat in the mind and heart, (Matt 3:8).¹² Receiving Jesus Christ as Lord is not an intellectual process of the mind, believing His incarnation as God in the flesh.

"Neither is there salvation in any other: for there is none other name under heaven given among men, whereby we must be saved," (Acts 4:12).¹³

C. S. Lewis showed more emotion when he became a convert as a Theist (conversion to belief in God) not to Christianity. He says, "the God in whom I surrendered was sheerly nonhuman."¹⁴

His "emotional reaction" when he became a Theist was greater than the sudden belief that Jesus was the Son of God. Here's the way he tells of his sudden belief in Theism. **"You must picture me alone in that room in Magdalen, night after night, feeling, whatever my mind lifted even for a second from my work, the steady, unrelenting approach of Him whom I so earnestly desired not to meet. That which I greatly feared had at last come upon me. In the Trinity Term of 1929 I gave in, and admitted that God was God, and knelt and prayed: perhaps that night, the most dejected and reluctant convert in all England. I did not then see what is now the most shining and obvious thing; the Divine humility which will accept a convert even on such terms. The Prodigal Son at least walked home on his own feet. But who can duly adore that Love which will open the high gates to a prodigal who is brought in kicking, struggling, resentful and darting his eyes in every direction for a chance of escape? . . . compel them to come in, have been so abused by wicked men that we shudder at them; but, properly understood, they plumb the depth of the Divine mercy. The hardness of God is kinder than the softness of men, and His compulsion is our liberation."**¹⁵ In his book, *Surprised by Joy, The Shape of My Early Life*, he gives Jesus exactly one sentence in the entire story. You decide.

Proving the existence of God by logic is meaningless to the Christian. To a believer, God is not "something" that exists, He is a Person. We do not believe in His existence—we know Him, and not by logic, but through faith. We have no need to give time to such doubtful disputations, and the Bible teaches us to avoid them anyway. We need not follow too hard after those who engage, even successfully, in them.¹⁶

This author has been in the evangelistic-deliverance, miracle ministry for thirty years. I have ministered to many people who have come out of paganism-witchcraft. Every single person had to renounce and repent from these terrible infringements against the Father before they could enter the forgiveness of God's mercy. After renouncing and repentance they were able to receive the benefits of freedom in Jesus Christ and His exemption by receiving remission of their sins. I see none of these marks from the testimony of C. S. Lewis. As a matter of fact, he brought paganism into the church.

I do not see this man renouncing his works of the Chronicles of Narnia that promotes violence and witchcraft to children. **GOD HATES THOSE WHO PROMOTE VIOLENCE.** Look at (Ps. 11:5,) **"The LORD trieth the righteous: but the wicked and him that loveth violence his soul hateth."**

The enticing pagan worlds nurtured by C. S. Lewis and his myth-making friends were not inspired by God's Word or Spirit. Those stories grew out of a lifelong immersion in the

beliefs, values, rituals, languages and lifestyles of former pagan cultures. C. S. Lewis himself-- even years after professing faith in Christ -- remained obsessed with those old myths. As in his famous 1931 Catholic "conversion" encounter with Tolkien he continued to suggest that Christianity and paganism were, in some ways, mutually supportive. Ponder his description of a 1960 visit to Greece three years before his death:

"I had some ado to prevent Joy and myself from relapsing into Paganism in Attica! At Daphni it was hard not to pray to Appolo the Healer. But somehow one didn't feel it would have been very wrong -- would have only been addressing Christ *sub specie Apollinius*. We witnessed a beautiful Christian village ceremony in Rhodes and hardly felt a discrepancy."¹⁷

As a matter of fact, he says, Paganism is the origin of religion. "Paganism had been only the childhood of religion . . ." ¹⁸ (Jam. 1:27), "**Pure religion and undefiled before God and the Father is this, To visit the fatherless and widows in their affliction, and to keep himself unspotted from the world.**" It is blasphemy to claim that God's truth originated from paganism!

WHAT IS SOME OF THE C. S. LEWIS BIZARRE BELIEFS

Mere Christianity

Some heathen may belong to God without knowing it. "There are people in other religions who are being led by God's secret influence to concentrate on those parts of their religion which are in agreement with Christianity, and who thus belong to Christ without knowing it. For example a Buddhist of good will may be led to concentrate more and more on the Buddhist teaching about mercy and to leave in the background (though he might still say he believed) the Buddhist teaching on certain points. Many of the good Pagans long before Christ's birth may have been in this position." ¹⁹ If the good pagans are going to heaven anyway, why in the world are we spending our time and money in sending out missionaries and preaching the Gospel?! Speaking of the Lord Jesus Christ, the Bible tells us clearly that there is only one way to be saved -- "Neither is there salvation in any other: for there is none other name under heaven given among men, whereby we must be saved," (Acts 4:12).

Lewis did not consider himself a "new man." (2Cor. 5:17), "**Therefore if any man *be* in Christ, *he is* a new creature: old things are passed away; behold, all things are become new.**"

Repentance is not necessary for salvation. "This process of surrender...this willing submission...is not something God demands of you before He will take you back...." ²⁰[Note that salvation is a process.] (Acts 20:21), "**Testifying both to the Jews, and also to the Greeks, repentance toward God, and faith toward our Lord Jesus Christ.**" There is no salvation without repentance. If you are not sorry for your sin, you do not need a sacrifice and therefore what reason would there be to be saved? (Lk. 15:18), "**I will arise and go to my father, and will say unto him, Father, I have sinned against heaven, and before thee, 19 And am no more worthy to be called thy son: make me as one of thy hired servants.**" Notice that the prodigal son had already repented before he started for home! This is probably the reason that Lewis

claimed to be a reluctant convert. He believed God took him before he became willing. Sadly, he apparently never did willingly submit to God in repentance.

There is a purgatory after death in which we will be purified. "...whatever inconceivable purification it may cost you after death." ²¹ (2Cor. 5:6) "Therefore *we are* always confident, knowing that, whilst we are at home in the body, we are absent from the Lord: 7 (For we walk by faith, not by sight:) 8 We are confident, *I say*, and willing rather to be absent from the body, and to be present with the Lord."

There is a purgatory which we must suffer after death. "I believe in Purgatory." While he claimed to not believe it is the extreme suffering that the Roman Church taught in earlier eras, he held that our "souls demand Purgatory..." in order to make them pure enough for heaven. This idea is no doubt based on his heresy of salvation being a continuing and incomplete thing. He does "assume that the process of purification will normally involve suffering." He likens it to being given a mouth wash after having a tooth pulled. "*This*," he says, "will be Purgatory. The rinsing may take longer than I can now imagine. The taste of *this* may be more fiery and astringent than my present sensibility could endure." ²² Again, see the above scriptures - (2 Cor. 5:6-8. Rom. 8:17), "And if children, then heirs; heirs of God, and joint-heirs with Christ; if so be that we suffer with *him*, that we may be also glorified together. 18 For I reckon that the sufferings of this present time *are not worthy to be compared with the glory which shall be revealed in us.*" We suffer with Christ. He did his suffering on earth, not in heaven! Our suffering is done on earth at this present time!

The work of redemption is continued by purgatory. He believed that purgatory was "A process by which the work of redemption continues, and first perhaps begins to be noticeable after death." ²³ (Rev. 5:9), "And they sung a new song, saying, Thou art worthy to take the book, and to open the seals thereof: for thou wast slain, and hast redeemed us to God by thy blood out of every kindred, and tongue, and people, and nation;" Redemption is through Christ's blood and His alone. No purgatory enters into it. The price is paid in full. (Heb. 7:25), "Wherefore he is able also to save them to the uttermost that come unto God by him, seeing he ever liveth to make intercession for them." ²⁴

He was a product of theistic evolution. "All my past; my ancestral past; perhaps my pre-human past." ²⁵ (This also lends itself to the possibility of reincarnation.) ²⁶ "I will praise thee; for I am fearfully *and wonderfully* made: marvellous *are thy* works; and *that* my soul knoweth right well."

He is probably made for another world, but he might be satisfied with this world. "If I find in myself a desire which no experience in this world can satisfy, the most probable explanation is that I was made for another world." Please note the "if" and "probable". This is not a concrete statement as some might mistake it to be. It is very nebulous. If he is satisfied with this world, then he was not made for another world.

Mysticism is a means by which one can leave "this world" before death. "I do not at all regard mystical experience as an illusion. I think it shows that there is a way to go, before death, out of what may be called 'this world'..." "One thing common to all mysticisms is that temporary shattering of our ordinary spatial and temporal consciousness and of our discursive intellect." Lewis claimed that he did not "attempt the precipices" like the "saints" and "mystics" do.²⁷ What Lewis here describes sounds like the modern day "to out-of-body experiences!" It smacks of seducing spirits. (1Tim. 4:1), **"Now the Spirit speaketh expressly, that in the latter times some shall depart from the faith, giving heed to seducing spirits, and doctrines of devils; 2 Speaking lies in hypocrisy; having their conscience seared with a hot iron;"** We are warned against people that teach such things. (Col. 2:18), **"Let no man beguile you of your reward in a voluntary humility and worshipping of angels, intruding into those things which he hath not seen, vainly puffed up by his fleshly mind, 19 And not holding the Head, from which all the body by joints and bands having nourishment ministered, and knit together, increaseth with the increase of God."**

CREATION OF FANTASY WORLD GOD

Aslan, the PAGAN LION SOLAR DEITY is a god the creator of C. S. Lewis' animal magical kingdom.

Lewis writes, "One moment there had been nothing but darkness; next moment, a thousand points of light leaped out -- single stars, constellations and planets, brighter and bigger than any in our world . . .

"...the Lion was quite silent. He was going to and fro among the animals. And every now and then he would go up to two of them . . . and touch their noses with his . . . The pairs which he had touched instantly left their own kinds and followed him . . . At last he stood still and all the creatures whom he had touched came and stood in a wide circle around him . . . [T]he deepest, wildest voice they had ever heard was saying: 'Narnia awake. Love. Think. Speak. Be walking trees. Be talking beasts.'

"Out of the trees wild people stepped forth, gods and goddesses of the wood; with them came Fauns and Satyrs [man & goat] . . . Out of the river rose the river god with his Naiad daughters (water spirits). And all these and all the beasts and birds in their different voices . . . replied: 'Hail, Aslan. We hear and obey. We are awake. We love. We think. We speak. We know.'

"'Creatures, I give you yourselves,' said the strong, happy voice of Aslan. 'I give you forever this land of Narnia . . . Laugh and fear not, creatures. Now that you are no longer dumb and witless, you need not always be grave. For jokes as well as justice come in with speech.'

"I will call some of you to my council. Come hither to me, you the chief Dwarf, and you the River god . . . For though the world is not five hours old . . . a force of evil has already entered it; waked and brought hither by this Son of Adam.' The Beasts . . . all turned their eyes on Digory. 'And as Adam's race has done the harm, Adam's race shall help to heal it.'"²⁸

BORN AGAIN

What is born again? Is a matter so mysterious that human words cannot describe it. It is a change which is known and felt: known by works of holiness, and felt by a gracious experience. This great work is supernatural. It is not an operation which a man performs for himself: a new principle is infused, which works in the heart, renews the soul, and affects the entire man. It is not a change of my name, but a renewal of my nature, so that I am not the man I used to be, but a new man in Christ Jesus.

When the word repent is used of humans beings, it ordinarily indicates a complete change of character, a forsaking of one's past existence and an acceptance of a whole new approach to life.

The fundamental message of the Hebrew prophets was repentance, a call to forsake the worship of Baal or other sins which characterized the lives of their heresies and to return to faithful practice of the worship of the one true God of Israel. ²⁹

When John the Baptist came with the spirit of Elijah, he proclaimed repentance as the necessary condition for escape from the imminent judgement and entrance into the kingdom of God.

In Jesus' preaching, repentance was closely connected with belief in the gospel (Mk. 1:15).

Repentance affects the whole man. It is not merely an exchange of one set of external actions and observances for another but it's an inward turning, a recognition and disavowal of one's sin coupled with the embracing of a new way of life, a life in conformity with the teaching of Christ, a life characterized by "*fruits meet for repentance.*" (See: Acts 2:37; Acts 16:30; 2 Cor. 7:9-10. Mk. 4:17; Mk. 1:15). ³⁰

IS JESUS THE SAVIOR?

Jesus was human in His person as He walked and talked with men. He was hungry, thirsty, tired, resting his weary body at Jacobs well. He stood at the tomb of a friend weeping with loved ones who were grieved. We find him sleeping in the ship while his disciples cry out in fear of the storm.

Jesus is also divine. He spoke, and the dead came forth alive from the tomb. He rebuked the wind and waves, commanding the storm to cease. His enemies said, "Who but God could cleanse the leper? Who but God could open blind eyes, raise the dead and control the wind?"

"Who is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of every creature; For by him were all things created, that are in heaven, and that are in earth, visible and invisible, whether they be thrones, or dominions, or principalities, or powers; all things were created by him, and for him. And he is before all things and by him all things consist," (Col. 1:15-17).

"I and My Father are one," (Jn. 10:30).

"Verily, verily, I say unto you, before Abraham was, I Am," (Jn. 8:58).

We must believe that Jesus is God in the flesh, reconciling the world unto himself.

Yes, Jesus is the Savior! He came to set the captives free! He died on the cross for your sins!

CHRIST TOOK OUR SINS

Jesus Christ died in our place!

"Who His own self bare our sins in His own body on the tree that we, being dead to sins, should live unto righteousness: by whose stripes ye were healed. For ye were as sheep going astray: but now returned unto the Shepherd and Bishop of your souls," (1 Pet. 2:24,25).

"Who he hath made him to be sin for us, who knew no sin, that we might be made the righteousness of God in him," (II Cor. 5:21).

"Therefore doth my Father love me, because I lay down my life, I might take it again. No man taketh it from me, but I lay it down of myself; I have power to lay it down, and I have power to take it again. This commandment have I received of my Father." (Jn. 10:17).

"But God, who is rich in mercy, for his great love wherewith he loved us, Even when were dead in sins, hath quickened us together with Christ, (By grace ye are saved;) and hath raised us up together, and made us sit together in heavenly places in Christ Jesus," (Eph. 2:4-7).

"And he is the propitiation for our sins, and not for ours only, but also for the sins of the whole world," (1 Jn. 2:20).³¹

HOW ARE WE SAVED?

In His life, Jesus is our example. In His death Jesus is our redeemer. In His burial, Jesus is our scapegoat, (Lev. 16:20-22).

"And Aaron shall lay both his hands upon the head of the live goat, and confess over him all the iniquities of the children of Israel, and all their transgressions in all their sins, putting them upon the head of the goat, and shall send him away by the hand of a fit man unto the wilderness. And the goat shall bear upon him all their iniquities unto a land not inhabited: and he shall let go the goat in the wilderness," (Lev. 16:20:22).

In His Resurrection, Jesus is our justification. He has ascended and sits at the right hand of God the Father, and He is our Mediator, our head. (See: Jn. 3:16; Jn. 2:8,9; Acts 16:31; Rom. 10:9,10; Tit. 3:5,6; Jn. 1:12, 13).³²

FEAR

What happens to children's mind when they are exposed to magic, fantasy, monsters, weird mythological beings, etc.? Some maintain that these paganistic-witchcraft books and movies such as the Chronicles of Narnia, Harry Potter will have no affect upon children. It may sunrise you to know that C. S. Lewis admits that he had a fear of insects. He tells of an instant of fear coming on him when he was a child. He writes, "I am afraid the psychologists

will not be content to explain my insect fears by what a simpler generation would diagnose as their cause—a certain detestable picture in one of my nursery books. In it a midget child, a sort of Tom Thumb, stood on a toadstool and was threatened from below by a stag beetle very much larger than himself. This was bad enough, but there is worse to come. The horns of the beetle were strips of cardboard separate from the plate and working on a pivot. By moving a devilish contraption on the verso you could make them open and shut like pincers; snip-snap-snip-snap—I can see it while I write. How a woman ordinarily so wise as my mother could have allowed this abomination into the nursery is difficult to understand. Unless, indeed (for now a doubt assails me), unless that picture itself is a product of nightmare. But I think not.”³³

AMAZING! This man that writes fearful fantasy books for children is confessing that he was tormented by fear throughout his life by a picture of a stag beetle in a nursery book! He even complains about his mother for **ALLOWING THIS ABOMINATION INTO THE NURSERY!** Imagine, it was just a picture in a nursery book that had caused his fears and nightmares. It was so impressionable to him that as a grown, intellectual professor, he wrote about it and then blamed his mother.

Think about it parents. What are you doing to your children by exposing them to his demonic witchcraft stories and Disney’s frightening images of strange mythological beings? Will they creep into your child’s dreams at night in the form of nightmares too and terrorize their minds for a lifetime?

WHITE MAGIC

“...the children discover a charming, peaceful land inhabited by talking beasts, dwarfs, fauns, centaurs and giants that has become a world cursed to eternal winter by the evil White Witch, Jadis. Under the guidance of a noble and mystical ruler, the lion Aslan, the children fight to overcome the White Witch’s powerful hold over Narnia in a spectacular, climactic battle that will free Narnia from Jadis’ icy spell forever.”³⁴

Let’s look at some more of the evidence. Lewis encourages white magic for children. Magic is witchcraft involving wizards and witches. Magic is also deception encompassing sorcerous illusions. He is a modern day Judas Iscariot. Though the modern scribes and pharisees tell us the Lewis’ magic is different from “magic.” We must reject their insanity that is being promulgated concerning the demonic Lewis-Disney movie, *The Chronicles of Narnia: The Lion, The Witch, and The Wardrobe*. These factors will directly lead to the destruction of Christianity.

David L. Brown, Ph. D., writes, “White Magic is used for protection, healing injuries and chivalrous war. Wiccans claim to practice only this “good” kind of magic. I know that is not true. I have copies of curses that “good witches” have spit out against Christians. And let me remind you that occult magic in any form is derived from Satan and his diabolical horde.”

Likely there are those who will protest, *What's the big deal? It's only a book - movie!* Look at Pastor Brown, says, "Listen, games-books-movies are powerful tools for capturing the minds of children. (These fantasy-magical avenues) point the thinking of those who play them in a definite direction and if that direction is not a wholesome direction, there can be problems. Listen to who is playing the game and what it is doing to them."³⁵

Although Pastor David L. Brown, Ph.D. is writing about a "fantasy" card game, I believe his information can also apply to fantasy-magical books and movies.

Dr. Brown writes, "The game (movie) has literally captured the imaginations of thousands and taken on a life of its own." 1/3 That is a major problem. When anyone becomes preoccupied with thoughts that are an abomination to the Lord God Almighty there is going to be trouble. According to (2 Cor. 10:4-5), we must reject thoughts that are contrary to God's word, and bring into captivity every thought to the obedience of Christ. If a person refuses to do that (Rom. 1:21), reveals the consequences -- Because that, when they knew God, they glorified him not as God, neither were thankful; but became vain in their imaginations, and their foolish heart was darkened. A darkened heart is serious business!³⁶

Dr. Brown goes on to notify of danger parents, "Let me issue a solemn warning to parents, Magic: The Gathering (a card game) is dangerous because it conditions the minds of the players to be receptive to the occult and violence and those who really get into it become addicted. It becomes the focus of their lives."³⁷

Anthropomorphic Beast

Mythology is idolatrous and Satanic. The demonic Lewis-Disney movie, *The Chronicles of Narnia: The Lion, The Witch, and The Wardrobe* is dangerous to Christians and they must avoid these fantasy movies and their figures. These images can bring powerful spirits into homes. Many Christians believe that these images or statues are just art pieces that they use for decoration. Ignorance is not bliss. Demons are tormentors. Whenever some Christians disobey the Word of God, they can 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. (Ps. 2:3) says, "**Let us break their bands asunder, and cast away their cords from us.**"³⁸ If you are one of the millions who have been duped by blinded religious leaders to go and see this demonic movie, repent. Ask Jesus to forgive you.

(Deut. 7:25,26) gives a clear warning regarding graven images of these creatures. These images includes drawings, imprints, diagrams, engravings, carvings, figurines, paintings, computer print-outs, photographs, trinkets, artwork, jewelry and or any other representation of mythological creatures.

(Deut. 7:25-26), "**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.”

In (verse 25), the Word of God clearly instruct His people to destroy all things related to these fantasy creatures by burning them with fire. 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. Children will become emotionally attached to these toys.

If a person has a problem destroying the abominable thing, then an ungodly soul tie (demon) with it may be present. The Bible is very specific and commands that there should not be even any “desire” for the item or any part of it. A soul tie can be a linking spirit to the person that gave the article to the believer. It could be a person that is alive or a person that is dead. In any case, the ungodly soul ties with it may be broken after the person repents. Demons are usually shielded by these souls ties and consequently, they should be cast out. These images may cause many problems in a person’s life and also anyone that lives in the home. They can cause illnesses of all kinds, nightmares, headaches, physical and spiritual torments and even death.

There is severe danger in being associated in any manner with demonic figures. Look at (verse 25). It warns that the mythological creatures are abominations to God. These objects are worshiped by idolatrous people and God will not live along side them.

The Bible emphatically tells us not to bring these images into our homes lest we become accursed like the accursed thing. In other words, the item is already cursed. If we take possession of it, we will bring the curse upon ourselves. We become accursed! Additionally, instead of being amused, intrigued, or charmed by the images, we should utterly detest and hate it.

Unfortunately, millions of Christians are attracted to various demonic creatures of mythology, especially the unicorn. They purchase these items or accept them as gifts thereby bringing a curse upon them and their house (family and possessions). Accordingly, they endanger themselves and others by sharing the doom of the mythological item which is already cursed. As a result, the curse upon the demonic thing automatically comes upon the person and the home.

Christians should unquestionably have no relationship with fantasy figures. Fantasy conditions the mind to ultimately receive the **“depths of Satan,”** (Rev.2: 20-24). It also prepares a pathway into practicing witchcraft.

LUKEWARM

If you have accepted Jesus Christ as your personal Savior, but have been very lukewarm in your spiritual walk with Him, you need to immediately ask Him for forgiveness and for renewal. He will instantly forgive you, and fill your heart with the joy of the Holy Spirit. Then, you need to begin a daily walk of prayer and personal Bible Study.

If you have never accepted Jesus Christ as Savior and would like to become Born Again, **"Ye must be born again,"** (Jn. 3:7). Unless you are born again, you have no hope of enjoying the glories of heaven or escaping the terrors of Hell. **"Except a man be born again, he cannot see the kingdom of God,"** (Jn. 3:3). but are you saved?

No one can enjoy the blessings of God or go to Heaven without being saved. Jesus said, to Nicodemus in (Jn. 3:7). **"Ye must be born again."** God gives us in His Word the only plan for Salvation! You can be saved today.

First, you must realize that you are a sinner. **"There is none righteous no not one: for there is no difference. For all have sinned and come short of the glory of God,"** (Ro. 3:10:22,23). There is no chance to be saved unless you come to realize that you are a sinner. Pray for God is eager to save you.

"Sin bringeth forth death," (Ja. 1:15). This is spiritual death, separation from God forever and spending your eternal life in Hell. How terrible! Yes, my friend, but it is true. However, God loved you so much that he gave his only begotten Son, Jesus Christ, as your substitute, who bore your sins and died in your place. **"He hath made Him (Jesus) to be sin for us who knew sin that we might be made the righteousness of God in Him,"** (II Cor. 5:21).

Jesus said, **"For whosoever (That includes you) shall call upon the name of the Lord shall be saved (shall be, not might or can but shall be saved)** (Rom. 10:12).

Jesus Christ died for you! **"Who His own self bore our sins in His own body on the tree that we being dead to sins, should live unto righteousness by whose stripes ye were healed,"** (I Pet. 2:24).

The Philippian jailer asked the Apostle Paul and Silas, **"What must I do to be saved and they said, believe on the Lord Jesus Christ and thou shalt be saved and thy house,"** (Acts 16:31).

You simply believe on Him as the One who bore your sin, died in your place, was buried and was raised for your justification.

What is salvation? It is the act, plan, or result of deliverance or protection from danger, bondage, or sin.

Man is seen as universally in need of salvation which he is unable of himself to bring about. His lost condition may be variously described as corruption, disease, death, fall short of the glory of God, bondage to sin and its consequences, alienation from one's fellow men and from God, rebellion against God, guilt, anxiety, etc. His own unaided efforts to solve his problems through intellectual, economic, political, social, or psychological skills and techniques are doomed to futility.

Be sure you are saved. You need salvation above everything else in your life. If you lose your soul you miss Heaven and lose all. **"If thou shalt confess with thy mouth the Lord Jesus and shalt believe in thine heart that God hath raised Him from the dead, thou shalt be saved,"** (Rom. 10:9).

Salvation is a free gift of God granted to lost and undeserving men who trust in the righteousness of Christ and humble themselves in submission to his will.

Just pray, “O Lord, I am a sinner, I am sorry, and repent for my all my sin. Have mercy on me and save me for Jesus’ sake. I ask You to forgive me and come into my heart and be my personal Savior. Help me Jesus to forsake my sin life. Please Lord Jesus, increase my faith and confidence in You.”

Now that you are saved, there are four things to practice daily for spiritual growth.

Pray. You talk to God in Jesus Name.

Bible, God talks to you!

Witness. You talk for God to your family and friends.

“Whosoever, therefore shall confess me before men, him will I confess also before my Father which is in Heaven,” (Matt. 10:32).

You should unite yourself with a Bible believing church and be baptized.

WELCOME TO THE FAMILY OF GOD! Jesus died in your place.

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