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Spirit of Halloween

For Rebellion is as the sin of witchcraft. (1 Sam. 15:23)

WITCHCRAFT - SATANISM



Halloween is celebrated by children in the United States. This issue is becoming debatable inside of Christian circles because of the rise of the occult in America. Beneath Halloween's candy coating is a history of diabolical evil.

Witchcraft-Satanism revivals and their obvious tie with this pagan holiday causes Christians to question if the church should participate in Halloween.

Children wear scary costumes and demonic masks. They carry along Halloween pumpkins of 'Jack O' Lanterns', a name for (Will Wisps) which is an ancient symbol of a damned soul. Too long this evil holiday has been considered harmless fun, and innocent pranks.

THE DARK SIDE OF HALLOWEEN

Some see it as evil and will have nothing to do with the revelry others as harmless fun partake fully: costume parties, Halloween decorations and 'trick-or-treat. Still others try to find a "middle" approach, allowing trick-or-treat and masquerades, but as "Bible characters" instead of demonic and occult figures. It is at times camouflaged as Church fund-raising bazaars and decorated with black cats and witches; skeletons, scarecrows, haunted houses, bats, vampires and dummies in coffins. It should never be integrated with the holiness of the scared house of God. It's wicked and brings curses, (Deut. 11-36, 28.)

Some Churches are now seeing the influence of its evil fruit. One cannot deny the occult-metaphysical nature of Halloween is not in line with the Christian in character. Despite this clear contrast, many Christians defend their complicity in the holiday asserting their "liberty" in Christ from the bondages of "legalism,"

declaring it is only innocent fun! God never gave us liberty to engage ourselves in evil!

"Learn not the way of the heathen . . . for the customs of the people are vain," (Jer. 10:2-3).

"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," (II Cor. 6:15-17).

The author has seen many churches celebrate Halloween. One church decorated a room with bats, scary black cats, spiders and webs and a coffin with a dummy in it.

Another church had a full Halloween festival to raise money! Guess what? The church caught on fire.

The Bible clearly teaches that there is both a natural, material world as well as an invisible and spiritual world. The domain of physical human beings is the physical world, whereas the "heavenlies" are people or occupied by spirit beings. Among these spirit beings there are two classes, the good and the evil.

THE BATTLE TODAY

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 phenomena. 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 (II Cor. 2:11).

Playing with the occult has become very attractive to Americans. Everywhere you go, you will witness occult activity. It is blatant. Psychic and astrologers are using 900 numbers. Occult themes are being worked into many television programs are featuring astrologers, divinatory, clairvoyants, scientologists, Satanists, witches, psychics, crystal gazers, dream analysis, yoga,

reincarnations, hypnotists, fortune-tellers, spiritualists, parapsychologists, numerologists and New Agers. Even Disney World is deeply involved in the promotion of the occult.

Someone has remarked that Satan is like a monkey wrench which the Lord uses to tighten up loose nuts! Be of good cheer, saints of God! Satan is severely limited and all his bluster and bluffs about "all power" are sham. Our God is still on the throne and He rules! Hallelujah! Remember you choose to participate with the wiles of the devil. You are also called to educate your children concerning his games. *"Success for the Christian will depend in a large measure on recognizing the work of the devil and knowing how to defeat and expel him from every situation . . ."* says Michael Harper.

ALL HALLOWS' EVE

All Hallows' Eve was a night when the dead stalked the countryside. Offerings of food and drink were put out for the ghosts. They passed by to the west always, the direction of the dying sun at sunset.

The fairies could also be seen moving from one fairy hill to another with the music of bells and elf horns. They were sometimes identified with the dead.

Darker and colder creatures still roamed through the night on Halloween - demons and hobgoblins, witches who straddled broomsticks or shank bones, flew in the sieve or eggshells, or rode on coal-black horses. The fires helped to keep them off and at Balmoral in Queen Victoria's time the effigy of a hideous old witch was ceremoniously burned on a bonfire at Halloween.

The guisers went from house to house, singing and dancing. Their bloodcurdling masks and grotesque costumes may have been meant to keep evil at bay or, more likely, were some visible representations of the ghosts and goblins that lurked in the night. The masks have now been transferred to the children who, in the United States, visit the neighbors for the food-offerings which once belonged to the dead - or play tricks akin to the legendary destructiveness of witches and imps abroad on this night.

"When thou art come into the land which the Lord thy God giveth thee, through shalt not learn to do after the abomination of those nations," (Deut. 18-9).

HISTORY OF HALLOWEEN

October 31 is the most important day in the Satanic year. It is known as the devil's birthday and marks the Celtic new year. It was the end of the growing season and became a festival of death. On this day, the god of the Celts was to have called up the spirits of the wicked dead who had

died during the past year. At the same time, other evil spirits arose and went about the countryside harassing the people. On October 31, the Celts expected to be harassed by ghosts, evil spirits and demons; and it was no fun and games to them. They would light bonfires to guide the spirits to their own town and to turn aside evil spirits.

DRUIDS

The Celts had priests called druids. On October 31, the druids went from house to house demanding certain foods, and all those who refused were cursed. The people were tormented by means of magic. As they went, the druids carried large turnips which they had hollowed out and on which they had carved demon faces as charms. Each one was believed to contain the demon spirit that personally led or guided that priest: his little god.

DIVINATION

Those who practiced fortune telling and divination found that this was the night that they had the most success. They called upon Satan to bless their efforts. One form of divination was to put apples in a tub and bob for them. The one who first successfully came up with one without putting them in his teeth was to have good luck throughout the year. They would then peel the apples and throw the peeling over their shoulders and then quickly look around. They expected to see a vision or an apparition of the one they were to marry.

SACRIFICES

These things happened several centuries before CHRIST. Sacrifices were made to the gods, especially the god of death - Samhain (pronounced Sah win). Sacrifices all the way from vegetable to human were offered. This went on and on, and, in some parts of the world, still goes on today.

8th CENTURY

In the 8th century, the Pope, in an effort to get the people to quit the festival of Sam hain, invented All Saints Day (Nov. 1). This was an attempt to get the people to turn away from the horrible observance of Sam hain. All Saints Day was intended to honor the martyrs of the Roman persecutions. It did not work! It never works to Christianize a pagan holiday. The holy and the profane do not mix.

THE MIDDLE AGES

In the Middle Ages, there was a great revival of satanic practices and witchcraft and magic - like there is today. During this time the belief developed that witches traveled on broomsticks to the black Sabbaths to worship satan on October 31. They were guided by spirits in the form of black cats. The Druids worshiped cats believing them to be reincarnated evil people.

CHURCH INVOLVEMENT

This festival of death has survived all the efforts of the church to stamp it out. The church is joining the opposition by celebrating this festival.

The devil has been very successful in invading Christian holidays like Christmas and Easter providing counterfeits for the real thing. Halloween is different! It has always been Satanic. He has deluded the Christians into celebrating his festival.

All Saints Day became All Hallows Day. Hallow means holy or sacred. October 31 is the evening before All Hallows Day and came to be called in the western world all hallows evening and then all hallows- een. *Een* is an abbreviation for evening. Finally, the word was reduced to the way we have it today, Halloween. That's where the name came from, and even if it is called all hallows evening, it has nothing to do with Christian faith, and it never did.

MODERN HALLOWEEN

Tom Sanguinet, former high priest of the Celtic tradition of Wicca witchcraft said, "The modern holiday we call Halloween. . . has its origins in the full moon closest to November 1, the witches' New Year. It is a time when the "spirits" (demons) were supposed to be at their peak power and revisiting the earth planet." He says, "Halloween is purely and absolutely evil, and there is nothing we ever have or will do that would make it acceptable to the Lord Jesus."

Now let's look at the present day celebration of Halloween. Isn't the whole theme one of darkness, death, fear, threats, destruction and evil? There are witches, broomsticks, bats, owls, ghosts, skeletons, death, and monsters. You dress up your children as demons and witches and ghouls and monsters and werewolves and send them out into the street in the darkness to reenact the Druids' practice of demanding food from people under threat of tricks (or curses) if they don't comply. You take, not a turnip, but a pumpkin and carve demon faces in it and decorate with it.

At Halloween there will be apple bobbing, divination, fortune telling, haunted houses, candles lit and spirits called up. There will be seances and Ouija boards in the name of fun and excitement. There will be sacrifices of dogs, cats, rats, chickens, goats and even humans!

You say, "Well, we don't take it seriously." But the devil does and so does God. Particularly this is true when the Church which He purchased with His own precious blood builds houses of horror in its fellowship halls so that the little lambs who have been entrusted to its care can be terrified and opened up to invading spirits of fear and torment and confusion.

ORIGIN OF HALLOWEEN

The origin of Halloween is the Celtic Festival of Samhain, lord of death and evil spirits, Long

before Christ (at least 2000 years), Druids in Britain, Ireland, Scotland, France, Germany and other Celtic countries observed the end of summer by making sacrifices to Samhain. The Celts considered November 1st as being the day of death because the leaves were falling. It was getting darker sooner and temperatures were dropping. They believed Muck Olla, their sun god was losing strength and Samhain, lord of death, was overpowering him. Further, they believed that on October 31st Samhain assembled the spirits of all who had died during the previous year. Those spirits had been confined to inhabit animals' bodies for the past year, as punishment for their evil deeds. They were allowed to return to their former home to visit the living on the eve October 31 of the Feast of Samhain. Druid priests led the people in diabolical worship ceremonies in which horses, cats, black sheep, oxen, human beings and other offerings were rounded up, stuffed into wicker cages and burned to death. This was done to appease Samhain and keep spirits from harming them. It is clear to see that Halloween has always been a celebration of death!

How were these sacrifices obtained? Druid priests and people would go from house to house asking for fatted calves, black sheep, and human beings. Those who gave were promised prosperity and those who refused to give were cursed and threatened. In addition, it was likely that all of the "wandering spirits" would get hungry. If you set out a treat for them, they would not trick or curse you. Hence we have the origin of Trick or Treat.

When you give out candies to children who yell "Trick or Treat" it is a re-enactment of the Druidic practices. The candy has replaced the blood sacrifices of old but it is still an appeasement of those deceptive evil spirits. When you give out Halloween candy, you are in essence providing a sacrifice to false gods. You are participating in idolatry.

The Jack-O-Lantern has its origin with these pagan practices. The book *Occult Conceit* the author says, "The candle lit pumpkin or skull served. . . as a signal to mark those farms and homes that were sympathetic to the Satanists and thus deserving of mercy when the terror (Trick or Treat) of the night began.; Further, an old edition of the *World Book Encyclopedia* says, "The apparently harmless lighted pumpkin face of Jack O Lantern is an ancient symbol of a damned soul."

What about costumes? They originated with these terrible Druid death rites also. As people and animals were screeching in agony while being burned to death the observers would dress in costumes made of animal skins and heads. They would dance chant and jump through the flames in hope of warding off the evil spirit.

HALLOWEEN WITCH

Halloween cannot be celebrated without the WITCH. The oldest known illustration of a witch dates back to the pre Columbian era. The drawing shows the pagan goddess Tiazeleolf naked, wearing a pointed hat and riding a broomstick. Where you find witchcraft you will find nudity, divination, gross immorality and occultic practices just to name a few. According to the Old Testament of the Bible witchcraft and the whole spectrum of the occult were capital crimes, punishable by death.

The Bible warns Christians to *"Have no fellowship with the unfruitful works of darkness. . ."* (Eph. 5:11.)

WITCH'S MODERN RITUALS

Rev. Irene A. Park, gives insight to modern rituals. Secret ceremonials, rituals, obligations and covenants are being kept by cultists and Satanists on particular days and nights. Multitudes are gathering in worship, prayer, and sacrifices to the god of the world, Lucifer.

Family spirits gather like a family reunion or holiday celebration in the natural or earthly realm; only these are the demon spirits of the departed dead that gather for rituals and sacrifice, (not ghosts but devils). Some of the demon spirits gather for rituals and sacrifice, some of the demon spirits present at the celebration come from embodied living clans or tribal members, (demons who lived in these people while they were alive).

These are the ones that are vying for the powers. Some come just to celebrate the traditional gathering and festivity's.

Sometimes the assignments that the demon spirits receive bring about rebellion in the supernatural Satanic realm. The spirits want to continue to control the area they are in, whether body, nation, society, system or whatever control they received for their obedience to Satan. They do not want to be dislodged. They like to continue to embody members of the same family; they prefer humans but will settle for animals.

Millions of people are vying for power, supernatural powers of evil to work curses, hexes, spells, power to manipulate, controlling power over lesser forces of darkness and power to control this present world system.

A reformed, born again witch once told me that vying for power meant that a supernatural battle ensues between the other covens. Whosoever demonstrated the greatest power won the control of certain areas, such as seas, cities, etc. Satan would give the witch a part of all illegal finances collected in her area. For instance, Laura Cabot has political control over Salem,

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Massachusetts and maybe over the entire state. Recently when Jeff Fendhold visited her

occult book store, within thirty seconds the policemen were on the scene driving police cars with the symbols of a flying witch on the side. Then the Attorney General of that state called Jeff saying that he was wanted by the law for "harassing witches!"

An African friend of mine was invited to minister in Salem Massachusetts. He said, "Pat Holliday many of the churches are now painted black. On Halloween eve, there were many parades of weird people carrying coffins to the cemetery. The witches have taken over this place."

Christians had better wake up and begin old time prayer meetings for this nation! The party spirit must leave the church in Jesus' name.

HALLOWEEN DEFINITIONS

The following was taken from the PENSACOLA NEWS JOURNAL on October 24, 1994 in the children's section called "Chalk Talk":

Vocabulary - Costume (*Kas toom*): The style of dress, including accessories, of a certain country, period or profession.

Druid (*druo id*): A member of a Celtic religious order in ancient Britain, Ireland and France.

Halloween (*Halo ween*): The evening of Oct. 31, which is followed by All Saints' Day.

Samhain (Sa man): The demonic god of death worshiped by the Druids.

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

Q. When and where did the customs that eventually evolved into Halloween begin?

A. Three hundred years before JESUS was born; among a group of people called the Celts who lived throughout the British Isles, Scandinavia and western Europe.

Q. Who started it?

A. A secret society of priests and pagans called the Druids, who served the demonic god of death -- Samhain.

Q. How did the custom begin?

A. Each year on Oct. 31, the Druids celebrated the eve of the Celtic new year with the Festival of Samhain.

Q. What did the Druid priests do during the festival?

A. They would go from house to house demanding all sorts of foods to offer to Samhain. If the village people would not give them the foods, they would speak a curse over the home. History claims then that someone in the family would die within a year. This was the origin of "trick or treat."

Q. Where did the Jack-O-Lantern come from?

A. When the Druids were going house to house seeking food for Samhain, they would carry a large turnip that had been hollowed out. A face

was usually carved on one side and a candle was placed inside to provide light as they walked from house to house. The Druids believed a SPIRIT inhabited the turnips and helped the Druids carry out their spells. The name of the SPIRIT eventually became JOCK.

Q. How did pumpkins come to be used and where did the name Jack-O-Lantern come from?

A. When the practice came to America in the 18th and 19th centuries, turnips weren't that prominent, so the pumpkin was substituted. JOCK became Jack, who lives in the lantern or Jack-O-Lantern.

Q. Where did the name Halloween come from?

A. During the ninth century, the pope declared Nov. 1 be called All Saints' Day and would be set aside to honor all the martyred saints of the Catholic church. Oct. 31 became the eve of All Saints' Day. The Mass said on All Saints' Day was the *Allhallowmas*. Over the years, the evening before All Saints' Day became known as All Hallow's Eve, All Hallowed Eve, All Hallow E'en and finally Halloween.

Q. Where did the tradition of dressing in costumes come from?

A. In Ireland, during the festival of Samhain, children would dress like IMPS and fairies to lead the ghosts and goblins out of town after the Feast of Samhain. In England, after All Saints' Day was created, children would dress in each other's clothes and go door-to-door begging for soul cakes.

HALLOWEEN DELIVERANCE

Do some major Deliverance on yourself for ever celebrating Halloween. Burn any left over Halloween stuff in your home. Don't even open your doors to pass out "tracts". If you do, then you are celebrating this unholy day and draw demons to you and your family.

No matter what you think of Halloween, know that it is the very highest satanic holy day. As a Christian, you should not be observing it in any way, especially IN your church. The catholic church is responsible for this day to be placed in the church.

Halloween has never been a Christian holiday, and it has no place in the life of a born again Believer in JESUS CHRIST. In fact, it is an abomination to God, and we should take our stand firmly against it. As we look at its history, we find that its roots go deep into heathenism, paganism, Satanism and the occult; and its modern expression is no better.

How this must Grieve the Lordhis newsletter is basically about the dangers of witchcraft that is aimed at children. It touches on the endangerments entertaining Satan through involvements of occult comic books, games, cartoons, television shows, video games, movies, toys, books, music and sports. There is an

astonishing, hideous rise of devil worship, Satanism, and witchcraft among the youth. You will be shaken, startled and disgusted. Witchcraft is on the rise throughout the world. It is surprising how many Christians are deceived concerning the dangers of witchcraft. There are perhaps five to seven million active witches in America today and another thirty-five million or so persons who have studied or dabbled in witchcraft. Satan wants to control children from the womb and cradle to the grave, in all organizations, destroy their faith in Jesus, take your children from you, abuse the children, give them an unholy childhood, rob their brains in the classrooms, and guide the children into hard-core devil worship and witchcraft.

HALLOWEEN AND CHURCH ACTIVITY

The following article came from THE CLARION-LEDGER of Jackson, Mississippi on July 13, 1996:

"CHURCH'S HELL HOUSE GOING NATIONWIDE WITH HOW-TO KITS"

Arvada, Colo. -- A controversial Halloween spectacle called Hell House, dramatizing real-life horrors from abortion to teen suicide, is being marketed nationwide.

The Abundant Christian Life Center, which produced last year's Hell House, is SELLING how-to kits to CHURCHES around the country for \$149. For another \$15, the CHURCHES also can get the compact disk of Hell House's awful sounds.

The CHURCH has spent about \$10,000 marketing and producing the kits.

'God allowed this to happen for His glory and honor,' said the Rev. Keenan Roberts, youth pastor and the writer-director of Hell House. 'And we needed to cultivate it and share something with such a radical impact. We want to shake other cities like we did Denver.'

More than 5,000 people saw Hell House during the five nights it was staged last October. At \$5 a head, the CHURCH took in \$25,000 last year and made a \$17,000 profit.

Supporters say the gory dramatization, which included a 'funeral' for a person who died of AIDS, a simulated abortion, and hell, was necessary to reach a sinful world. But others call Hell House nothing more than a MONEYMAKING SCHEME that preaches hatred and intolerance."

Ask yourself these questions. Why did God give us the Bible. Has He ever sanctioned the Devil's high days to bring people to Himself? Does He use fear to convert young people? Pastors must repent from using the Satan's devices and return to Jesus for His plan of salvation.

One pastor has this event in his church told me. "We have had over 1000 conversions from this drama." I would like to know, how many have become faithful Christians and remained in his

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church for one year? I believe this thing is just a trick and treat of Satan.

There are those who want to lead you into another gospel or another Jesus. Learn God's Word, so you won't be deceived.

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NEW BOOKS

At last, the book, *The Walking Dead*, has been republished. It had sold out when many people began to ask me to republish it because they heard about it on my teaching tapes.

The Walking Dead was written in 1982. It is still up to date. When I wrote this book, the Church people thought that witches were only figments of imagination. They thought that witches could be found only in Disney films and fairy tales. Unfortunately, while Christians ignored the problem, witches were being recruited all over the country, through movies, television programs, books, colleges and rock music.

Three witches were actually taking teenagers to the cemetery, giving them drugs, sex and turning them into zombies! A tremendous evil revival of the occult developed.

Another book that is available is "*Be Free.*" This book has many testimonies about people being delivered and freed from the powers of darkness.

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Pat Holliday

*Some Information from <http://www.Demonbusters.com> Gene Moody, the Red Book, (Ravaged By The New Age - Satan's Plan To Destroy Our Kids) and Pat Holliday, Is Halloween Pagan? Tract David L. Brown