

# THE CULT OF THE OCCULT

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Intro: Three categories of living creatures -- Purely Spiritual, purely physical, physical and spiritual...MAN lives in both worlds, must have experiences in both worlds. *no one lives in a vacuum*

— Devil took step backwards to take two forwards -- age of rationalism, materialism, disbelief in the supernatural. BUT MAN MUST HAVE SUPERNATURAL EXPERIENCES? -- But the Church is as materialistic as society, so turns to OCCULT where reason comes to an end, the occult supplies the answer.

TIME MAG. "THE OCCULT REVIVAL" Books, The Exorcist, Movies, Rosemary's Baby, The Possession of Joel Delaney, The Other.. *But selling 52 wks*

Courses in Witchcraft are being offered in at least 68 colleges and universities. At New York U so many students signed up for "Witchcraft, Magic and Socery," that classed moved to one of the school's largest lecture halls.

71% of US Newspapers carry Horoscope columns, more than 10,000 full-time and 175,000 part-time astrologers in US.

HAS BECOME A CULT --so many followers--AND ONE OF THE PRIMARY METHODS SATAN IS USING TO BEXX EPOEPL UNDER DEMONIC OPPRESSION.

*a spiritual & morally healthy culture wouldn't welcome this.*  
The upsurge in the OCCULT is unmistakable evidence of moral and social decay. Occultism rises ominously in times of world turmoil, religious apostasy and moral decline.

I. WHAT IS THE OCCULT? Derived from Latin word, occultus and means: hidden, secret, dark, mysterious, ~~concealed~~ concealed. It is used to describe those phenomena which either transcend or seem to transcend the world of the 5 senses.

Gaining knowledge outside the will of God by means outside the will of God --(Tree in Garden)



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INCLUDES: Horoscope, astrology, crystal ball, tea leaves, tarot cards, ESP, Clairvoyance, Table-lifting, ~~W~~ Ouija boards, card-laying, fortune-telling, etc. ORIENTAL RELIGIONS, like YOGA, DRUGS that expand the mind.

LIST OF TERMS:

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Divination ..... Forms of fortune telling  
OBSERVING TIMES ..... horoscopes, astrology  
Stargazer ..... astrology  
Familiar Spirit ..... Medium: regular spirit comes to him  
NECROMANCY ..... Seeking advice from dead  
Charmer ..... Charms for protection, healing  
ENCHANTER ..... AKIN to SORCERY.. One who chanting or music

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SOCERY ..... Operates through things like charms, music, drugs and dancing

III. AFRICAN WITCHDOCTORS use herbs, dances, wild music to cast spell.

Gene Krupa went to Afric to learn rthymn, came back with mental breakdown, confined.

Music is product of drup culture, which is trafficking with demons... ~~Satanism~~ I used to think they were lousy muscians, then discovered they were ecellent musicians. Knows just what to do to create mood. Music written, played and produced by people under demonic oppression is used by Satan to bring under subjection.

Ill--boy in Lubbock Texas, freed only after he broke record, "THE AGE OF AQUARIS" Some of you will never be totally and continually liberated till you renounce the wilder forms the hard and acid rock of today.

False Cults sense no ill effect  
Satanism  
Till witchcraft - sorcery



## II. WHAT DOES THE BIBLE SAY ABOUT IT?

Ex. 20:3-5 ~~Occult~~ is seeking supernatural help, counsel and power from any other source than the true Gpd, is worshipping other gods, demons.

→ These words apply to every person involved in the occult.

Ex. 22:18-20; Deut. 18:9-14; Isa. 47:11-15

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Acts 8:9ff; 16:16; 19:19;

Gal. 5:20; REV. 21:8; 22:15

Jer. 27:9,10; I SAM. 28 --scared the witch because it was REALLY SAMUEL!

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THE MAIN CATEGORIES OF OCCULTISM:

1. SPIRITISM --spirit communication..table lifting, glass moving, speaking in a trance, automatic writing, soul excursion (astral projection, levitation.. EDGAR CAYCE, sleeping prophet

*mediums - a contact spirit*

Levitations --objects are people that raised up and appear to be floating in air.

APPORTS --transference of objects through closed rooms and sealed containers

Visions -necromancy. Luke 16; I Sam 28. God really allowed Samuel to return, scared the witch witless, cause it was really Samuel.

God's Word severely condemns and prohibits such communication. Lev. 19:31; 20:27; Deut. 18:9,10

THERE ARE TWO KINDS OF MIRACLES, DIVINE AND DIABOLICAL --Ex. 7:22; 8:7; II Thess. 2:8-10; Rev. 13:14,15. Diabolical miracles are supernatural acts that imitate the power and benevolence of God.



HEALING: Satan will gladly call off a minor demon in order to enslave you with a major demon.

2. MAGIC --SOCERY --Operates through things like charms, music, curses, spells. HEALING

Not talking about parlor tricks

Pharmacy  
Drug  
E.g. Two kinds of music

BLACK MAGIC: ART of producing supernatural effects by direct league with Satan and demons -- has come to denote those powers used for vengeance and persecution.

WHITE MAGIC is black magic in pious masquerade. It uses magic in the name of God, Christ, and the Spirit, along with Bible phrases and terminology. Healing, etc.

Charms, amulet, ring, etc.  
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3. WITCHCRAFT operates primarily through spells, curses, ~~hypnosis~~ hypnosis -- brings people under domination, control

IT IS NEVER GOD'S WILL FOR ONE PERSON TO DOMINATE ANOTHER....mother and son; boy friend and girl friend., unhealthy and demonic.

4. DIVINATION -- FORTUNE TELLING. Getting revelation through Supernatural means other than God. THIS IS MOST PREVALENT AND DECEPTIVE.

Facts about the past, finding lost items, who committed a crime, predictions concerning the future.

tarot cards

Crystal balls, astrology, horoscopes, card-laying, ouija boards, ESP.

Fortune telling is the offspring of idolatry.

(1) ASTROLOGY --predicts human and character and fate by observation of the fixed stars, sun, moon and planets.

In primitive times the sun, moon and planets were considered as living gods. As a type of pagan divination, astrology invites the activity of demons because it originated in star worship and seeks secret knowledge in opposition to God's Will and Word.

Deut. 17:1-5; Isa. 47:13



Many who consider it a fraud have come under oppression by dabbling in it. It discourages faith in God

Paul's encounter with fortune teller --Acts 16:16ff.

Illustrates Satan's subtlety in gaining followers for LATER DECEPTION.

Jean Dixon --deck of cards blessed by an old gypsy. Her gift didn't come through a confrontation with God but through a mysterious, fortune-telling gypsy she met when she was eight, gave her a crystal ball and a deck of blessed cards.

SHE USES OCCULT METHODS common to pagan divination and physhic mediumship.

### III. WHAT ARE THE EFFECTS OF OCCULT INVOLVMENT?

IS IT REAL? Yes, or God wouldn't have made the harsh judgments found in Scripture. If these were all mere parlor tricks, frauds, why did God issue such strict commands?

Every form of occultism or contact with it is in reality a contact with the powers of darkness. The devil therefore accepts this as his right to take people captive and will resist strongly at the first hint of his having to lose his victim.

Every sin connected with occult cuts a person off from God and turns him toward the worship of idols, demons. Anyone who tresspasses into Satan's domain by committing sin of the occult will be HARRASSED BY THE POWERS OF DARKNESS, irrespective of whether he takes the step consciously or unconsciously, seriously or jokingly.

JUST A JOKE --Liking jumping off top of Empire State building for a joke.



AFFECTS SPIRIT, SOUL (Mind, will emotion) and BODY

1. EFFECTS ON THE SPIRITUAL..strange; seriously damages believer's spiritual life, adherents of Buddhism, Islam or false cults of Christianity sense no ill effects. Satan doesn't fight religion, he fights God's Truth.

1. Doubts salvation, word of God, deity of Jesus.

2. Indifference to spiritual things. lose desire to pray, read Bible, becomes lukewarm

3. Often finds it hard to repeat aloud or write the name of Jesus ROBIN BURKHARDT wouldn't say "JESUS"

4. Resists Spiritual help and counseling, makes him restless and unfriendly. *Acts 8 = hard to believe*

5. Reviles..During church often finds it hard not to laugh, mock, be bored.

*McDonally, resisting, etc when try to be saved. The devil won't trouble you as long as you remain his slave.*

2. EFFECTS ON THE SOUL (MIND, WILL, EMOTION)

Personality changes, emotional up and down, fits of temper, fury, quarrelsomeness.

Plagued by continuous feeling of restlessness, with a lack of peace, and depressive moods,

Anger, resentment, uneven temperment, anti-social LIKE A DARK SHADOW OVER LIFE, DRIVEN TO DO THINGS SPITEFUL, INTENTIONALLY TO HURT, ANGER, STRIKING OUT.

FEELINGS OF PERSECUTION AND THOUGHTS OF SUICIDE.

COMPULSION TO DO THINGS HE KNOWS ISN'T RIGHT OR PLEASING.

MORE PRONE TO MENTAL ILLNESS

3. EFFECTS ON THE BODY

Overcome with excessive sexual cravings or smoking etc. excessiveness

PAINS IN DIFFERENT PARTS OF THE BODY...make their appearance at night so he can't sleep. I dealt with one who got severe headaches everytime he tried to read the Bible.

IV. HOW CAN I BE DELIVERED?

1. Confess your involvement as a sin, however slight you make ~~it~~ think it is.

2. Renounce it by a deliberate act of the will -- disassociate yourself from it.

3. Break every contact --Acts 19:18,19. Get it all out of your house --horoscopes, tarot cards, astrological charts, etc. destroy them.

4. Claim by faith your deliverance.

5. Continue to stand against the Devil  
Matt. 12; Acts 8

DO IT NOW...Contact with Satan gets deeper and deeper.

John 13:2, Satan put it in Judas heart to betray...

John 13:27 Satan entered into Judas.