

commentary:

“HARRY POTTER” WITCHCRAFT MANIA - DAMNABLE WORK OF THE DEVIL!

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I. INTRODUCTION

Concerned about the romantic portrayal of witchcraft in the media for children today, I promised myself to look into this new movie "Harry Potter." I was hoping to find it a harmless magic adventure tale like "Snow White, Sleeping Beauty," etc. Unfortunately, it is NOT such a harmless adventure tale. This "Harry Potter" movie is outright and open encouragement and recruitment of impressionable children into witchcraft, black magic and devil worship.

II. REDEFINING GOOD VERSUS EVIL

Traditional Disney type "good versus evil" movie themes for kids I have found always made it clear who the good guys are - those opposing "black magic," and who the bad guys are - those who use "black magic." Harry Potter makes no distinction of absolute right and wrong. Instead, "black magic" is portrayed as a neutral world force that can be mastered for the personal whims of the individual, and conflicts among its practitioners are merely a contest of conflicting individual wills and strength in the "black arts."

This totally goes against the traditional American Judeo-Christian concepts of good versus evil, GOD versus the devil, absolute right versus absolute wrong, The Ten Commandments and The Golden Rule versus heathenism and self-love. What does GOD command through Moses to us in EXODUS 20:1-2? "I am The LORD thy GOD, which have brought thee out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of bondage. Thou shalt have no other gods before Me!"¹ And does not The Almighty command His people in EXODUS 22:18, "Thou shalt not suffer a witch to live?"² Why? So that the saints of GOD and their children are not tempted into serving false gods, evil people or the devil!

III. THE HAUGHTY ABOMINABLE SINS OF WITCHCRAFT AND REBELLION

When King Saul disobeyed The LORD in his duties as steward over GOD's people, what did the prophet Samuel say to him in rebuke in I SAMUEL 15:22-23? "...Hath The LORD as great delight in burnt offerings and sacrifices, as in obeying the voice of The LORD? Behold, to obey is better than sacrifice, and to hearken than the fat of rams. For rebellion is as the sin of witchcraft, and stubbornness is as iniquity and idolatry. Because thou hast rejected The Word of The LORD, He hath also rejected thee..."³

Such was the haughtiness of Lucifer before his fall, the highest created creature in the heavens, that he dared to say as in ISAIAH 14:13-14 – as the prophet Isaiah is given by The Spirit of GOD to record – "...I will ascend into heaven, I will exalt my throne above the stars of GOD: I will sit also upon the mount of the congregation, in the sides of the north: I will ascend above the heights of the clouds; I will be like the most High!"⁴

¹ KJV, EXODUS 20:1-2.

² KJV, EXODUS 22:18.

³ KJV, I SAMUEL 15:22-23.

⁴ KJV, ISAIAH 14:13-14.

IV. DEVIL WORSHIP IS NO MERE CHILDREN’S GAME!

This is no game, nor mere children’s entertainment, friends! For all who dare to say such things in their hearts, whether the devil and his minions of fallen angels or foolish men caught up in idolatry and witchcraft, shall be cast down to hell forever by the strong arm of The LORD. For Isaiah next records in ISAIAH 14:15, “Yet thou shalt be brought down to hell, to the sides of the pit!”⁵ If you worship Satan, by whatever means, you can not also receive the blessings of The Creator, for you are instead storing up Divine wrath for yourself and your loved ones!

The fate of devil-worshippers rests as surely in the everlasting flames of hell as does the devil himself, as we discern further from ISAIAH 14:19, “But thou art cast out of thy grave like an abominable branch, and as the raiment of those that are slain, thrust through with a sword, that go down to the stones of the pit; as a carcass trodden under feet!”⁶ Such is the end of all who engage in witchcraft and thus serve the devil.

Serving and worshipping false gods, things of this world, wicked men and especially the devil himself brings ruin upon men and nations, for these things steer men and nations away from The one true GOD, Who alone rules over the nation and the universe, Who alone created heaven and earth, and all things in them!

Consider wicked King Manasseh of ancient Judah and his apostasy as recorded in II CHRONICLES 33:1-4, and how his evil lead the people of GOD astray and brought down Divine judgement! “Manasseh... did that which was evil in the sight of The LORD, like unto the abominations of the heathen, whom The LORD had cast out before the children of Israel. ...he reared up altars for Baalim, and made groves, and worshipped all the host of heaven, and served them. Also he built altars in the house of The LORD...” to false gods and to demons.⁷

V. WHEN A PEOPLE REBEL AGAINST THE LORD, ALL EVIL FOLLOWS

When a people and a nation rebel and turn from The LORD GOD, like Satan, they make gods unto themselves and – aspiring to be gods themselves – devolve into abomination and utter wickedness. So it should be no surprise for us to further read of King Manasseh that he engaged in the human sacrifice to his false gods of demons by offering up his own children in the flames of worship to false gods! And indeed, we see this very same thing today, in that America has sacrificed 40 plus million unborne babies to the false gods of self, sensuality and hell in our own holocaust of abortion!

So we read further in II CHRONICLES 33:6-9, “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... So Manasseh made Judah and the inhabitants of Jerusalem to err...!”⁸ Witchcraft leads to child

⁵ KJV, ISAIAH 14:15.

⁶ KJV, ISAIAH 14:19.

⁷ KJV, II CHRONICLES 33:1-4.

⁸ KJV, II CHRONICLES 33:6-9.

sacrifice – literally. So don't be fooled into thinking we don't have such evils today!
The abortion mills in America are never lacking for babies to butcher!

VI. WORSHIP AND SERVE ONLY THE LORD GOD

Recall how it is recorded in The blessed Gospels how CHRIST entered into the 40 days of contest with the devil in the wilderness eagerly, that He might take down and give notice to the evil one who was and still is the tormentor of the saints of GOD, “Your days are numbered!” So when our Lord was being tempted in the desert before He began His earthly ministry, did He not rebuke the devil in LUKE 4:8? “And JESUS answered and said unto him, Get thee behind me, Satan: for it is written, Thou shalt worship The Lord thy GOD, and Him only shalt thou serve!”⁹

You say you “have no problem” with our kids “enjoying a little pretend make-believe fun” with the likes of “Harry Potter?” Then you won't mind to see that your neighbours, nation and children are then well on the way to joining the devil in the pits of hell forever for the sins of witchcraft, idolatry and abominations! GOD is not mocked, my friends. For He declares the end of all such unrepentant sinners, as Saint John foresees. in REVELATION 19:20, “And the beast was taken, and with him the false prophet that wrought miracles before him, with which he deceived them that had received the mark of the beast, and them that worshipped his image. These both were cast alive into a lake of fire burning with brimstone!”¹⁰

VII. THE RISE AND FALL OF NATIONS

If we learn anything from Bible history and the course of human history in the rise and fall of nations, it should be This Truth, as recorded for us in PSALM 33:12, “Blessed is the nation whose GOD is The LORD: and the people whom He hath chosen for His own inheritance!”¹¹ This being the case, the opposite is just as true, that cursed is the nation who do not worship and serve The Almighty and Him only, who the arm of Divine Providence has cast away from His Presence because of their iniquity!

For GOD is sovereign over all things in the universe and over the affairs of men. We read just before the above in PSALM 33:10-11, “The LORD bringeth the counsel of the heathen to nought: He maketh the devices of the people of none effect. The counsel of The LORD standeth for ever, the thoughts of his heart to all generations.”¹²

VIII. CHRIST GIVES THE VICTORY OVER THE DEVIL AND EVIL WORKS

We have victory of the temptations of the world, the flesh and the devil only in our Lord JESUS CHRIST, as it is revealed to Saint John in I JOHN 5:1-5, “Whosoever believeth that JESUS is The CHRIST is born of GOD... For this is the love of GOD, that we keep His Commandments: and His Commandments are not grievous. For whatsoever is born of GOD overcometh the world: and this is the victory that overcometh the world,

⁹ KJV, LUKE 4:8.

¹⁰ KJV, REVELATION 19:20.

¹¹ KJV, PSALM 33:12.

¹² KJV, PSALM 33:10-11.

even our faith. Who is he that overcometh the world, but he that believeth that JESUS is The Son of GOD!”¹³

IX. THE EARTHLY AND ETERNAL CONSEQUENCES

As the popular saying goes, “No JESUS, no peace. Know JESUS, know peace!” If we and our children worship and serve the false gods of the world, the flesh and the devil in our lives and throughout our nation, make no mistake about the consequences: GOD will utterly cast us away in Divine judgement, and give us up to the lust of our own darkened hearts, which will bring us to utter destruction and ruin. As our Lord counsels us in LUKE 16:13, “No servant can serve two masters: for either he will hate the one, and love the other; or else he will hold to the one, and despise the other. Ye cannot serve GOD and mammon,” that is, the false gods and idols of the world.¹⁴

The consequences for our eternal lives are even more dire than for our earthly lives if we serve and worship false idols, things of the world as our gods or the devil directly as through outright demon worship or more subtly through witchcraft and “black magic.” So Saint Paul warns us in I CORINTHIANS 6:9-10, “Know ye not that the unrighteous shall not inherit the kingdom of GOD? Be not deceived: neither fornicators, nor idolaters, nor adulterers, nor effeminate, nor abusers of themselves with mankind, Nor thieves, nor covetous, nor drunkards, nor revilers, nor extortioners, shall inherit the kingdom of GOD!”¹⁵

X. IN CONCLUSION

Make no mistake about it. The devil wants to see us suffer in total estrangement from GOD in this life, and to possess our suffering souls eternally separated from GOD in the next! The current witchcraft mania which we see in the likes of this present “Harry Potter” mania is just another assault upon the most vulnerable among us, our children and grandchildren! If you don’t care that your neighbours, your nation and your children are falling in total ruin and devastation into the hungry hands of hell, then remain silent and do nothing to disturb the current cultural descent into idolatry, abomination and witchcraft!

But if you love GOD, your neighbour, your nation and your children, then I strongly urge you to heed my words of warning here: I strongly recommend to parents that they shield their children from such dangerous and corrupting influences as “Harry Potter” that deviously draw unsuspecting children into the dark world of workings of the devil. The very earthly lives and eternal souls of our children must not be surrendered to such evil. May we be delivered from such evils both now and forever! In The Name of GOD The Father, and The Son and The Holy Ghost. AMEN.

¹³ KJV, I JOHN 5:1-5.

¹⁴ KJV, LUKE 16:13.

¹⁵ KJV, I CORINTHIANS 6:9-10.

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