

## Why is Witchcraft SO Popular?

There will be lots of reasons for this, but there now seems to be a self-reinforcing cycle taking place. Multitudes of films and books on the topic of witchcraft and the occult generates more interest, which then naturally leads to the entertainment industry responding with even more witchcraft content being pushed onto us.

Obviously there's a lot of money to be made from this trend, but growth in interest may also reflect other aspects of a society that is broken. Perhaps the last few years have left a lot of people disillusioned, helpless, without direction or purpose, and searching for something that can make them feel good about themselves. Something that can make them feel special.

Also, in times of uncertainty, there's often a desire within many people to belong, to be part of a bigger group where they feel safe. Witchcraft and the occult are ready to step in and fill this need. They seduce people into thinking they are special, especially those on a quest for happiness (rather than truth). There is no doubt that there are supernatural powers involved. Forces can be invoked that few people completely understand, and which can be extremely dangerous and have potentially disastrous consequences.

Before going anywhere near these dark forces, ask yourself, where does this supernatural power come from? If you think it is from you, and your 'wonderful, natural, gifted ability', then I'm sorry to say, you are hugely misinformed and could be making a catastrophic mistake. Nor is it from the one true God, who expressly warned in the Bible against dabbling in every kind of occult practice, which includes (but is not limited to) any form of mysticism, speaking with the dead, astrology, clairvoyancy, and casting spells. This instruction from God wasn't to stop people from having fun and feeling good about themselves, it was to keep them from harm. Because witchcraft is evil and comes from the great deceiver and father of lies, Satan. It inevitably leads to separation from God and ultimately, the destruction of lives.

Satan hates humans because we are made in God's image, and he loves to create division amongst us. But he also loves it when we unite under a lie. Witchcraft being a 'cool and trendy' religion is a lie, and too many people are being drawn to it because it is so alluring, and they feel it is empowering. But people need to understand, it is demonic and from the forces of darkness.

We are currently living in a real-life battle between good and evil. Of course, the film industry is exploiting this with, for example, the Harry Potter franchise, which has managed to twist this into a battle limited to good and bad witches and wizards, which is a distraction from the real spiritual warfare taking place.

Another of the big deceptions in society concerns the celebration of Halloween. People have been convinced that this is just a fun time for children, and a great opportunity for them to dress up in costumes and go about collecting sweets from neighbours. This seemingly benign event entices our vulnerable children to take part in celebrations of death, torture, horror, fear, and greed – all of which creates a negative mindset which then opens the potential for demonic attacks.

So why not, instead, seek a positive and loving relationship with Jesus, who is the light and the truth? There is nothing mysterious and hidden about Jesus. Putting your trust in Him means you will never have need of anything like witchcraft to fill a spiritual void. In the glorious Name of Jesus, you can resist the Devil and his temptations, and the Devil will flee. Jesus is our answer, our salvation, and the path to eternal life.

How does Jesus do this? All of us sin every day, and the Bible teaches us that sin is an abomination to God. He will not allow any sin in His presence. God provided us with the solution through His enduring kindness and love for us. It is a free gift if you choose to accept it.

Repent for your sins from your heart and put your trust in Jesus. Believe that Jesus paid the ultimate price by being cruelly crucified, then rising from the dead three days later to conquer death. Jesus led a perfect life but was sacrificed to pay for the sins of mankind. Belief in Jesus is the only way to God and to achieve eternal life in the presence of God.

**"For God so loved the world that He gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life". John 3:16**

**"I am the way, the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me". John 14:6**

Do you want to find out more? Here are some useful resources to begin your journey:

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