

WBNP #23 - Halloween

Good Evening. A Puritan's Mind brings you the old time radio program *The Wild Boar News Podcast* from Sunny South Florida. Welcome, I'm Dr. Matthew McMahon.

What is the way of the heathen? With holiday in mind, or "holy days" that would be Halloween. "After one's own birthday, the two major Satanic holidays are Walpurgisnacht (May 1st) and Halloween." The Satanic Bible, by Anton Levey, Page 96, Segment on Religious Holidays.

Around October 1st, American grocery stores stock their shelves with candy corn, chocolate bats, and miniature Snickers bars. They lace the isles with cobwebs, hang pictures of witches on top of the shelves, setup small graveyards surrounded by ghoulish figurines and call it fun. Why do they do this? Well, they are readying themselves for the upcoming celebration of Halloween. Halloween purports to offer a time where people can have fun at the expense of all that is righteous and holy. It is a celebration of devils. At this time of the year, the "Christian" is faced with the dilemma, "Should I have anything to do with the celebration of Halloween?" I am going to give the pre-climactic and unwavering answer of "absolutely and biblically not!" There are a variety of reasons why this is so. Really, the question should be "Should I have anything to do with the blatant nature of Satan's influence on the American mind?"

Halloween is like a magician's trick run the by the devil. He keep the ignorant and unthoughtful mind thinking about candy, fun and scary movies only to ease your conscience in participating in the celebration of devils, and the worship of all that is cold dark and dead.

Take for instance the stupidity of three "religious men" in the Coconut Creek Life magazine. This magazine has a section in it called the "God Squad" where three pastors and one rabbi in the area give their thoughts. They were asked about Halloween and whether they participate. Well, you know they wanted to keep their column, so they folded. The Rabbi, Richard Polirer said, "Halloween is a whole new gig...for a whole different level of service to God." Rev. Randy Thomas, pastor of Winston Parch Church said, "As a

pastor I encourage the families in our church to use all holidays as learning experiences for them and their children. As responsible parents, we can share the meaning and origin of All Saint's Day, now called Halloween..." He thinks that our children should weigh "the aspects of a choice to reach their own conclusions." Pastor Tullian Tchividjian of New City Presbyterian Church (an EPC congregation) said, "Christians, who are the salt of the earth and the light of the world, must make contact with the world around them...I am not condoning or ignoring the pagan origins of Halloween. I am simply confessing that on various Halloween nights, I have not been the neighbor God called me to be. This year, it will be different."

Note listener, though this community magazine would call these men the "God Squad" rest assured they are not speaking for God here. God says, "Learn not the way of the heathen." Jeremiah 10:2. He does not tell us to buddy up with them on Satanic Holidays. Jesus, when He cleansed the temple did not set up a booth next to the money changer to win them over. He overturned the tables. When God went to destroy Sodom and Gommorah, Abraham did not tell Him he should not destroy the city, but rather, wanted Him not to destroy the righteous if any were in the city. God's evangelism is not seeker friendly. Rather, He wants us to be separate from wickedness and sin, such as with a blatantly Satanic Holy Day that worships the devil.

So, what should the Christian do? "Come out of her, my people, that ye be not partakers of her sins, and that ye receive not of her plagues (Rev 18:4)." Opening yourselves up to the spiritual warfare of the malicious devil by candidly partaking in a day which has its roots in the person and work of the devil cannot be accepted by the Christian who is reading their Bible. God exhorts us vehemently, "...I would not that ye should have fellowship with devils (1 Cor. 10:20)." Why would you want to? Rather, "Submit yourself to God, Resist the devil, and he will flee from you (James 4:7)." Resist him! Do not make him attractive by decorating the sanctuary of God with leaves and bushels of hay and dressing up the children as clowns or cowboys.

1 Corinthians 10:18-22, "Behold Israel after the flesh: are not they which eat of the sacrifices partakers of the

altar? What say I then? That the idol is any thing, or that which is offered in sacrifice to idols is any thing? But I say, that the things that the Gentiles sacrifice, they sacrifice to devils, and not to God: and I would not that ye should have fellowship with devils. Ye cannot drink the cup of the Lord, and the cup of devils: ye cannot be partakers of the Lord's table, and of the table of devils. Do we provoke the Lord to jealousy? Are we stronger than he?"

You cannot sit in the foyer of the devil's castle and say you are not visiting his home.

This is Dr. Matthew McMahon signing off.