

IS WITCHCRAFT EVER GOOD? Chapter 1

GOOD AND EVIL

It is very clear in the Bible that there are only two sides to this Great Controversy Battle down here on our earth. There is God's side; and Satan's side.

There are many ways to describe these two sides: Truth VS Error; Right VS Wrong; Light VS Darkness; Good VS Evil; and so on.

WE seldom think of things as altogether good or altogether evil. WE have a habit of looking at things and saying "WELL, there is SOME good in it. It is not all bad." OR "Well, it is MOSTLY good, it's only a little bad and so it's OK."

What would you say if I gave you a nice big glass of pure water and I said, "Here drink this". You could drink it down, no problem—right?

Now suppose I put a drop of deadly poison in there and now I say to you, "Here—drink this nice water." You would reply, "No way!! Do you think I am crazy? That will kill me!"

"AWE, go on with you," I continue, "It is almost all pure water, 99 94/100% pure—it only has a teensy, tiny bit of bad in it." Or maybe I do it with a nice glass of orange juice, fresh and tasty—and I say, "Think of all the good vitamins in this to make you healthy! And there is only such a tiny bit of bad in it."

Mouse poison is more than 98% good, nutritious grain—but does it help the mice?

Do you remember what the tree was called that Adam and Eve were NOT to eat from, back in the beginning? It was called the 'Tree of Knowledge of GOOD and evil', wasn't it? It was not called the 'EVIL TREE'. When Eve ate off that tree, and gave it to Adam,

was it because they wanted to get EVIL? No! They thought they saw some GOOD in the tree—sure they realized they were disobeying God, but if there were so much GOOD in that fruit, surely it must really be OK.

Here is an interesting fact: Did Adam and Eve get GOOD out of that fruit? They didn't! WHY? Because they ALREADY had everything that was good. God had given them EVERYTHING that was good; but He had to test their loyalty. When they chose to OBEY and BELIEVE the serpent, who was Satan in disguise, they LOST what they had. Thinking to gain even MORE good, they lost their good, and gained only evil.

When a lot of GOOD is mixed with a tiny bit of evil—the result is EVIL!! Remember our drinks? When even a tiny bit of poison is mixed in a good drink--the result is POISON!! If you drink that good orange juice, with all the nice vitamins in it, with that one little drop of cyanide—you will not be benefited by the good, you will quickly die of the evil.

This is a MOST IMPORTANT LESSON!! God does NOTHING in partnership with Satan. God Uses NOTHING part good and part bad; part right and part wrong! Once the teensy bit of not right is mixed in—the whole thing becomes WRONG!!

You see, there is a great Universal Law that evil can not get anywhere alone. It is the Great PARASITE! It has to be attached to at least some good before it can get anywhere. Satan knows this and so he mixes and mixes—all sorts of combinations. And always that bit of poison.

Remember if you drink that juice with the drop of cyanide in it—you will be just as dead as if you drank from the bottle clearly marked poison! All the nice nutrition will not help you a bit!

BUT—and here is the BIG POINT, You are much more likely to drink the juice with the poison in it—because you can be fooled to think it is good for you!

That is why we have the Bible—it is God's warning signal—showing us how to spot the parasite evil—and reject Satan's mixtures.

In the next Chapter is a CHART comparing How God works and how Satan works. Remember, God NEVER, NEVER mixes good and evil. God does Good and GOOD only—He NEVER will use evil to gain a "good" result. ". . . God cannot be tempted with evil, neither tempteth he any man:" James 1:13

You can never GAIN GOOD by DOING EVIL—no matter how much you may believe you can! And two WRONGS never add up to one RIGHT!

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THE CHART

SATAN'S DARK SIDE	GOD OUR CREATOR
LIES; DECEPTION	STRAIGHT TRUTH
TRICKS; SECRECY; SNEAKINESS	HONESTY; OPENNESS
FORCE; MANIPULATION	FREEDOM TO CHOOSE
PRETENDS TO HAVE POWER	HAS REAL POWER
FEAR RULES	LOVE RULES
COMPLICATED AND CONFUSING	SIMPLE AND SENSIBLE
THE GROUP IS WHAT COUNTS	THE INDIVIDUAL IS WHAT COUNTS
TALKS ABOUT LOVE	SHOWS REAL CARING LOVE
FEELINGS RULE	PRINCIPLES RULE
BREAKS OWN 'RULES'	OBEYS HEAVENLY LAW
PROUD; BOASTFUL; HARD	HUMBLE; KINDLY; COURTEOUS
ALWAYS SEEKING POWER	HAS ALL POWER—BUT IS GENTLE
SELFISH (HIDES IT AT FIRST)	UNSELFISH; GENEROUS
DEMANDS WORSHIP	DESERVES WORSHIP
USES ANY MEANS (TO GET OWN WAY)	USES ONLY TRUTH AND RIGHT
DENIES LAW (BUT BOSSES	UPHOLDS LAW (BUT HONORS FREE
EVERYONE)	CHOICE)
PROMISES FREEDOM (BUT	HONORS GOD'S LAW OF LIBERTY
ENSLAVES)	
ARE BULLIES -TAKE ADVANTAGE	GENTLE- SHOWS RESPECT
KILLS FOR FRIENDS	DIED FOR ENEMIES
DRAGS INTO DARKNESS, DESPAIR	LIFTS INTO LIGHT AND JOY
THE STRONGEST RULES BY FORCE	AUTHORITY OF HEAVENLY LAW OF
	LOVE
USES OTHERS TO CLIMB UP ON	SERVING THE WEAKER ONES
WEAK FORCED TO SERVE THE	THE STRONG CARE FOR THE WEAK
STRONG	
EXCITEMENT; LAUGHTER	TRUE HAPPINESS; PEACE AND JOY
ENSLAVES THE MIND	FREES THE MIND
AFRAID OF EVERYTHING	AFRAID OF NOTHING
POWER FROM OBJECTS	POWER FROM GOD
FORCES OWN IDEAS ON ALL	RESPECTS RIGHT OF OTHER IDEAS
CLAIMS EVIL CAN'T DIE	TRUTH TOLD: EVIL= DEATH
TALKS ABOUT GOD (WON'T OBEY	OBEYS GOD'S 10 COMMANDMENTS
HIM)	
ALWAYS SEEKING MORE	CONTENTED AND HAPPY



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IS HARRY POTTER 'GOOD'?

An Analysis

IS IT GOOD TO LIE? The 9th Commandment forbids any dishonesty to our fellow beings. Yet in the stories we are considering, Harry and his friends frequently lie and it is made to seem a good thing.

SHOULD WE SEEK REVENGE ON OTHERS? "Thou shalt not avenge, nor bear any grudge against the children of thy people, but thou shalt love thy neighbour as thyself: I am the LORD." Leviticus 19:18 "Dearly beloved, avenge not yourselves, but rather give place unto wrath: for it is written, Vengeance is mine; I will repay, saith the Lord". Romans 12:19. All revenge is to be left with God, and yet the whole series of stories of Harry Potter center around getting revenge for the death of Harry's parents.

CAN WE DO WRONG THINGS AND STILL BE 'GOOD'? "Little children, let no man deceive you: he that doeth righteousness is righteous, even as He is righteous." 1John 3:7 In other words a good man is only one who does good. There is no such thing as a good reason to do wrong! So lying, cheating, sneaking, stealing and so on are not to be excused just because we do it to an enemy. What does God say to do with our enemies? "Love thine enemies" And yet all kinds of wrong-doing is excused in these books because they are trying to destroy an enemy.

DO GOOD AND EVIL USE THE SAME METHODS? Again please see our chart. What do we see is the secret of POWER in these stories? Is it not who has a certain stone, or amulet, or ring or even a certain blood-line? So if I am the good guy and I have a certain magic object; I am strong. But if my enemy takes that same object; then it is strong for

him. You see the problem? Good and evil power are not connected with what I do and Who I serve; but rather with just the chance of having some object in my possession, like the fruit from the 'Tree of Knowledge of Good and Evil" - objects are claimed to give me unconditional power. There is no such thing as unconditional power.

CAN EVIL BE IMMORTAL? The Bible is clear that SIN—that is disobeying God's moral law—brings death. God only is the source of Life and Power. There is no power in evil to give or sustain life. When any being chooses evil, he enters 'self-destruct' mode and the more evil he chooses—the quicker he destroys himself. And yet these books, and others like them, are giving the idea that there can be great power in being wicked!! Is this not a terrible lie to feed to our young?

CHILDREN LEARN THAT EVIL CAN GET THEM AND THEY HAVE NO PROTECTION — IS THIS DESIRABLE? The characters in the stories only manage to beat back the evil by having some better magic spell or stronger object in their possession.

"But I don't have anything like that. I am just a child and I am afraid of the evil that lurks all around me. I have to find someone who will take care of little me."

So children become vulnerable to any one or group that seems to offer them protection. And the more wicked that one is who is offering to protect—the better it seems, to 'belong to them'. How much better for a child to hear the words of Jesus telling them that angels of God watch over the little ones. It is a known fact to heathen witch-doctors that demons won't talk to children. WHY? Because God won't let them! Satan has to work through adults to secure the children to his grasp. (Note: Because adults are now deluging the world with occult material for CHILDREN and they indulge in it with the parent's approval—this rule is not so much being followed these days!)

ARE THERE SPECIAL MAGIC POWERS IN CERTAIN OBJECTS? Take a look at this verse: "But I say, that the things which the Gentiles sacrifice, they sacrifice to devils, and not to God: and I would not that ye should have fellowship with devils." 1Corinthians 10:20 What power does it tell us lies behind idols and 'magic' objects? The power of devils! These items do not have any power in themselves—Satan uses them to work through, and he tricks people into trusting in some magic object instead of trusting in God.

IS CRUELTY AND NEEDLESS KILLING RIGHT? One of the most horrible concepts in Pagan worship and witchcraft, is that there are magic powers to be found in blood. Now blood is not something that we can find on a tree or out in a field. It has to come from a living thing. And it can't be obtained without doing some sort of harm to that living thing.

One of the horrors that survivors of occult, ritual abuse talk about, is having an animal killed and allowed to bleed to death on top of them; so they could receive this so-called power that is supposed to be released in the death of the animal through the blood.

Harry Potter spells talk about blood—unicorn blood; Harry's own blood; and other kinds of blood. The concept is clear—to have power—you need blood! To get blood you harm and kill living beings. Is this a concept you want to teach your children??? Sure, maybe they can't find a unicorn—but what about a dog or cat?

Do you think ritual torture and sacrifice of animals doesn't happen? It does! WHY? Because people are led to believe this lie, and they want that power. Cruelty only and always serves Satan! Why does he encourage it with his lies and tricks? Because he knows there is a loving Creator Who sees even the fall of a sparrow—and it gives pain to His great heart of love. Satan has no greater pleasure than to cause pain to that dear Creator who Satan hates! And by getting us to join in cruelty, he stamps his hideous character on us, making us as deserving of destruction as he is. There is no power in taking blood and life from God's creatures, only power to destroy you.

SHOULD WE GET CRUEL REVENGE ON SOMEONE JUST BECAUSE THEY SAID SOMETHING WE DON'T LIKE? Is this not a horrible wicked attitude? And yet Harry makes a relative all swell up, because she said something he didn't like—and it is considered funny!! If you were to all swell up—would it be funny? So what about the Golden Rule here? What about the fact that God forbids any type of revenge? (Psalm 94:1; Hebrews 10:30)

ARE WE SUPPOSED TO BE LOOKING FOR SOME WAY WE CAN GET WHAT WE WANT WITHOUT WORKING FOR IT? Work was ordained for the good of man. We are told that only the working person really enjoys life. "The sleep of a labouring man is sweet, whether he eat little or much: but the abundance of the rich will not suffer him to sleep." Ecclesiastes 5:12. Nowhere in the Bible will you find any idea that we should seek for magic power to do things for us; rather we are to be diligent and do our work faithfully and real joy will be ours in a job well done.

DO CHILDREN *REALLY* WANT LIES AND FANTASY? God placed in a child's heart the desire for spiritual things. Perhaps this desire is stronger then, than at any point thereafter. They really want to know what life is all about, and have a deep capacity for understanding the truths of God. Remember it says of Timothy; "And that from a child thou hast known the holy scriptures, which are able to make thee wise unto salvation through faith which is in Christ Jesus." 2 Timothy 3:15.

So although they seem to snap up the lies and fairy tales, this is because they have a need, and do not know what is needed to fill the need. It is like an infant; he knows he needs to eat and will put everything into his mouth. It is the parent's job to guide him to the right things to put into his mouth. So if a child is taught the truths from God's Word, he will thrive on it.

I could give this example: Suppose you are starving and I come with a lovely plate of fruit. All colors, looking so good! You grab it and start to eat, but alas, it is plastic and plaster and not any use to keep you from starving. This is what is happening, friends, with our children. They are starving for real spiritual meaning—for something to make

life worth living, and we keep giving them plates of fake food. It looks pretty, but it is as useless as plaster fruit and what is worse, many times it is also poisonous. Jesus said, "Let the children come unto me!" He said this to the adults, because He knew that the children would come, if they had half a chance; and He also knew the adults were the ones who would get in their way!

Is it not time we started feeding them on kindness and life instead of glorifying cruelty and death!

The Bible is plain, if Harry Potter and his friends were real people, they would be lost souls, unless they repented of what they were doing and forever ceased from doing it!

And who would these 'teachers' at Hogwart's be? Demons, and those possessed of demons! Remember real demons are looking over the shoulders of children reading about fantasy ones.

SHOULD DEMONS BE TEACHING YOUR CHILDREN?



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The Danger in Fiction

This Universe runs under certain laws—set up and upheld by the Creator. Basically there are two laws that summarize the Creator's government:

- 1: Every created being owes all it has, and is, to the Creator; so it stands to reason that the Created one owes respect and perfect obedience to the ONE who Created them. We know this law as: "And thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind, and with all thy strength: this is the first commandment." Mark 12:30
- 2: Every morally responsible created being must respect and treat as himself, every other morally responsible being. Why? Because all created beings belong to God, and

as such must be respected as being equal with ourselves. "Thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself."

OK, so what is a 'morally responsible creature'? Well, it is those whom God has given the gift of a reasoning mind and FREE Choice. Stars and trees and rocks obey God's will, but they have no choice. But to have beings who truly loved Him, the Creator had to take the chance and give them free choice. No one can really love you unless they also are free not to love you.

Now we all know about the 'law of gravity'; if I step off the roof I will get an awful smack when I hit the ground. Now I can write a book where people can step off roofs and just sail away and never get hurt. That would be fiction. You would know it is fiction, because you know all about the law of gravity.

However, there are many other universal laws that we are not always so aware of, and I can write a book and have many of these laws broken in the book, and maybe you won't know any better. You might not know that such things can't happen that way for real. Especially if you are a child, you won't know that it can't be true.

A good example are stories that have heroes that drink alcohol, and live like human tomcats, and still in the story they are strong and clever! In real life they would be sick, stupid slobs! So things that won't work and can't work, can be put forth as things that are OK, and our minds get confused on what is real and what is not.

"WELL, IT'S MY BUSINESS WHAT I DO; YOU JUST SAID GOD GIVES ME THE RIGHT TO CHOOSE!" This is true; we each have the right to choose, in fact we each HAVE to choose who we will serve! HOWEVER—and this is what so many miss—we don't get to CHOOSE the consequences!! God has laid down the consequences and no power can change them!

Serve God and live eternally; or serve Self and Satan and die eternally. That is it in a nutshell!

There have been many theories that have caused great misery in this world, because they were first put out as a fictional story, and it sounded so good that people began to put it into practice—and it didn't really work, because it was not in harmony with the laws of the universe. The Bible gives us a yardstick so we can tell the true from the false. Rule 1:

"To the law and to the testimony: if they speak not according to this word, it is because there is no light in them." Isaiah 8:20

What does this mean? Simply that if something is NOT in agreement with the Bible and the 10 Commandments—there is no TRUTH in it! There is no GOOD in it! Think about that glass of good, nutritious orange juice—with a drop of cyanide in it? It is mostly

good--isn't it? BUT if a thing is not ENTIRELY right with God's standards--it is not GOOD! In order to be GOOD a thing must be TRUE! Here is Rule 2:

"Finally, brethren, whatsoever things are true, whatsoever things are honest, whatsoever things are just, whatsoever things are pure, whatsoever things are lovely, whatsoever things are of good report; if there be any virtue, and if there be any praise, think on these things." Philippians 4:8

REMEMBER SALVATION IS ALL ABOUT THE BATTLE FOR YOUR MIND!

