

Don't Promote Death With Halloween Promote Life With Christ 81A

Deuteronomy 18 ¹⁰ Let no one be found among you who sacrifices their son or daughter in the fire, who practices divination or sorcery, interprets omens, engages in witchcraft, ¹¹ or casts spells, or who is a medium or spiritist or who consults the dead. ¹² Anyone who does these things is detestable to the LORD; because of these same detestable practices the LORD your God will drive out those nations before you.

Let's think,

The scripture we read refers to God's warning to the people of Israel just before they entered the Promised Land. They had been a nomadic people without a nation for 40 years, after having lived about 430 years of slavery in Egypt (Exodus 12:40). Today, that Egypt is a symbol of this world of darkness in which we live, and the Promised Land is the new life in Christ for the believer.



The practices of divination, witchcraft, spells, horoscopes, spiritism, etc. are activities directed by the prince of darkness, to harm and pollute the human being. The Israelites were going to enter to live a new life, in a land where these practices abounded, and that is why the Lord was emphatic in forbidding them, because you cannot have communion with God and with demons at the same time. That message is valid for today, because for God it is wrong to participate in the worship of demons, which causes jealousy, and exposes us to fall into their evil influence that weakens our faith, and carries a curse on our

lives.

And it is that these diabolic practices have never ceased to exist. Today, a party camouflaged by naivety and fun is practiced, and has become very popular every October 31st. It is known as the celebration of Halloween, which translated is the "eve of All Saints". Throughout the month of October prior to the day, it is appreciated how, commerce and communities in general, are prepared with decorations in the

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houses. Typically with characters alluding to death, witches, goblins, demons, ghosts, black cats, cemeteries, etc. Meanwhile, parents rush to buy costumes and masks for their children, who will be out on the streets that day trick-or-treating in their neighborhood.

But, **will people really know what they are celebrating? Will they know the origin of Halloween?**

The reality is that this is a night of satanic invocation. The symbol of the pumpkin with a light inside and a figure engraved on the front, refers to the myth of a wandering spirit named Jack, who, not being received in either heaven or hell, lives inside the pumpkin. October 31st is a night of rites and invocations, cults and satanic masses. In these cults, blood covenants are made. And listen to this: even human sacrifices are made in hiding. Women get pregnant to give birth on these days and offer their newborn child in sacrifice. Through this, witches gain greater powers and have evil assignments and tasks. It is one of the nights when all the satanic powers mobilize to destroy and harm us.

These are millenary customs derived from the rites of the DRUIDS. Those priests of European tribes called Celts who lived in Ireland, more than 1000 years ago; where they celebrated the day when the god Samahin invoked the evil spirits to meet on the last night of their annual calendar, to visit their homes on Earth. Samahin was represented as a skeleton armed with a sickle. He was their god of death.

And...**why do they wear costumes?** It is an emulation of the Druids who lit a huge fire on the night of October 31st with their sacrifices of all kinds of species, animals and human beings. Around it, they danced in disguise so as not to be identified by the spirits and thus avoid receiving their curses.

Today, on the same night of October 31st, Halloween is in full swing. The children go out happily to knock on doors while singing the phrase: Trick or Treat, which translated is either give me or I'll trick you". This is the same phrase that was used in Satanic rites when the Druid priests believed that if the gods or spirits were not appeased with food, or food was not given away then they would seek revenge against them. There are many testimonies of former sorcerers and former Satanists that testify that while the feast and joy fill the homes with this festivity, in the dark, invocations of spirits, rites and sacrifices are carried out to make effective the same spells that originated with the Druid priests.

Some believe that criticizing Halloween is religious fanaticism. But the passive celebration is as dangerous as the active one. It is like the smoker who puts in danger of lung cancer, the one who does not smoke but absorbs its smoke. And in this case it is the same, because naively participating in Halloween, not only harms adults, but even more so children, because through the symbols and costumes of the party, they are given a broad vision of a world where violence, death, mutilation and blood are glorified. That is why God warns us in: Jeremiah 10: ² **“Do not learn the ways of the nations.....For the practices of the peoples are worthless”**

¹Therefore, the Lord's invitation today is that we not participate in activities that glorify death, which is the eternal condemnation prepared for the devil and his angels. On the contrary, God wants us to celebrate the life, and life in abundance, that the Lord Jesus Christ offers us (John 10:10). Let us therefore reject the curses of the trick or treat and receive the blessings of the creator.

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Let Us Pray,

Dear Heavenly Father. Blessed be your name. Thank you for warning us today of the danger, and opening our eyes to reality. For you are aware that your people perish for lack of knowledge as Hosea 4:6 says. On this day, I ask your forgiveness for having considered and participated in that activity in years past. Give me the wisdom and peace to be able to explain to my children about this terrible reality so that they can be freed from the anxiety and mockery of their friends who practice it. From today I will be radical in my convictions and will not allow this evil to come into my home. In Jesus Christ the Lord, Amen!.

Complementary References :

Testimony: John Ramirez: <https://youtu.be/luB5um5qVR0> / <https://youtu.be/UZ8EsjYVe30>

A Biblical Response To Halloween: <https://youtu.be/xWLAOVKm41k>

^{11st} Corinthians 10:³¹ So whether you eat or drink or whatever you do, do it all for the glory of God.