THE CONDENSED SATANIC BIBLE

(A Dark Philosophy)

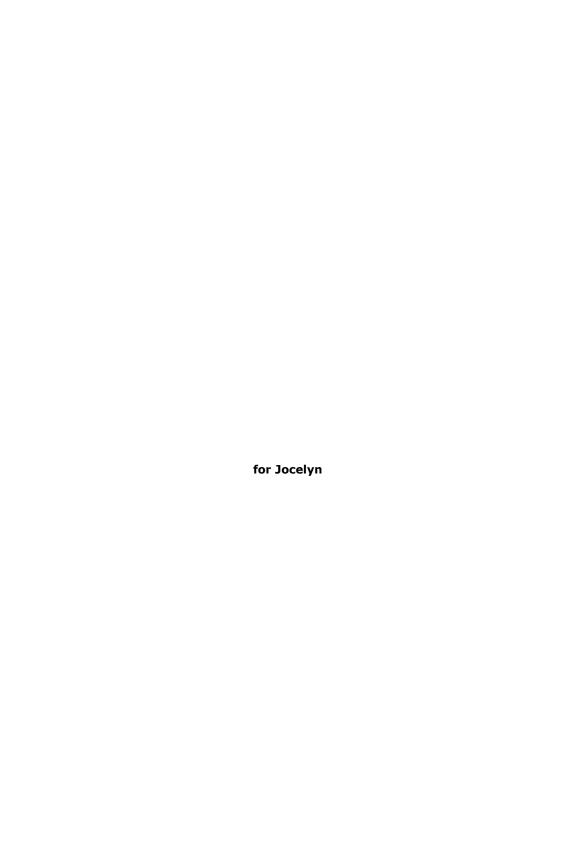
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PREFACE

The Condensed Satanic Bible started out as a personal "Devil's Notebook" but throughout the years it has grown into a Satanic Scripture all on its own. As of 2009, it is an official holy book of an eclectic religious organization known as The Satanic Chapel. The Condensed Satanic Bible lays out the entire common groundwork of Satanism and what the Satanic Bible, the Satanic Rituals. Liber of the Goat, the Satanic Mini Bible, Dark Doctrines, the Satanic Scriptures and other descendants of Satanic Knowledge has brought us. This condensed bible is an obvious homage to Kirby Hensley of the Universal Life Church (ULCM) and is also considered to be the "Satanic" Jefferson Bible of it's time. I, Rev. "Knife" Sotelo, have compiled it like the Dark Doctrines as well as formatting them into parables and since this is also study material for the priesthood I offer this book that we call "A Dark Philosophy" to all who are interested in priesthood status but above all that, this book is merely for Satanists and every meaning of that term, I do not mean to add to Satanic scripture because it's already codified in the Satanic Bible (however Satanism was NOT defined by Anton Szandor LaVey), nothing has changed, this is the same sound philosophy of Satanism for the 21st Century. This is a great inspiring book, if you want something to change your life, this book will wake you up and think. This work will tell you the good and bad that is contained within the Satanic Bible and as far as the Holy Bible itself which was used for my Gospel in the "Proloque." This is the most informative work I have ever written. Yes I did write most of this book, with my own interpretations. (This book is not a translation; rather it is my interpretation of the Satanic Bible and a comparative of other religions.) Find out what I believe about God and Satan. There is also work of other authors contained in this book but are fully acknowledged and therefore not plagiarized. I will assure you, that you have never seen anything like this Bible before. I believe that the ethical system of Satanism was the finest this world has ever seen. I compiled what has come to be called "The Condensed Satanic Bible," looking to separate those ethical teachings from the religious dogma and other elements that are intermixed in the account provided by all the incarnations of Satanism. I present these teachings, along with the essential events of the life of the Devil. The new religion of the future is the one that honors and recognizes all religions and all spiritual paths, for they all lead to the same place.

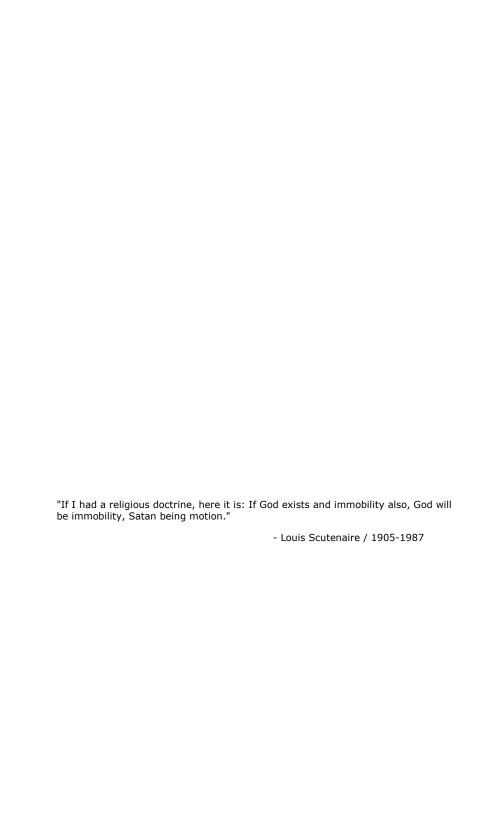
"Here is Satanic thought from a truly Satanic point of view."

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In the secret of my knowledge, there is no god but me.



PROLOGUE

[This prologue is a revised version of my work known as the "Gospel According to Marvin "Knife" Sotelo" and is based on the texts of the Nag Hammadi Codices and other works of literature (ie. the Holy Bible, Al Jilwah), I reveal here origins, relationships and similarities between God/Allah/Satan/Lucifer/Christ/Buddha and other religious deities etc. etc. I wrote this document under a pen name in 2004 but we all know where credit is due.]

In the beginning The Invisible One brought forth from its own precious soul the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. He was in the beginning with God. All things were made through Him, and without Him nothing was made that was made. In Him was life, and the life was the light of men. And the light shines in the darkness, and the darkness did not comprehend it.

"Self-conscious truth is living thought. Truth is thought as it is in itself, and formulated thought is speech. Wherefore, it is true that My knowledge compasses the very Truth of all that Is, when Eternal Thought desired a form, it said: 'Let there be light.' Now, this Thought which speaks is the Word, and the Word said 'Let there be light,' because the Word itself is the light of minds. The untreated light, which is the Divine Word, shines because it desires to be seen. When the Word says 'Let there be light!' it ordains that eyes shall open; it creates intelligences. When God said: 'Let there be light!' Intelligence was made, and the light appeared.

Now, the Intelligence which God diffused by the breath of His mouth, like a star given off from the sun, took the form of a beautiful angel, who was saluted by heaven under the name of Lucifer. Intelligence awakened, and comprehended its nature completely by the understanding of that utterance of the Divine Word: 'Let there be light!' It felt itself to be free because God had called it into being, and, raising up its head, with both wings extended, it replied:

'I will not be slavery.'

'Then shall thou be suffering,' said the Untreated Voice. 'Ignorance of truth is the cause of all misery.,' replied the light. 'Pride will seduce thee,' said the Supreme Voice, 'and thou wilt bring forth death.' I needs must strive with death to conquer life,' again responded the created light. Thereupon God loosed from His bosom the shining cord which restrained the superb angel, and beholding him plunge through the night, which he furrowed with glory, He loved the offspring of His thought, and said with an ineffable smile: 'How beautiful was the light!'

"God has not created suffering; intelligence has accepted it to be free. And suffering has been the condition imposed upon freedom of being by Him who alone cannot err, because He is infinite; for the essence of intelligence is judgment, and the essence of judgment is liberty. The eye does not really possess light except by the faculty of closing or opening. Were it forced to be always open, it would be the slave and victim of the light, and would cease to see in order to escape the torment.

Thus, created Intelligence is not happy in affirming God, except by its liberty to deny Him. Now, the Intelligence which denies, invariably affirms something, since it is asserting its liberty. It is for this reason that blasphemy glorifies God and that hell was indispensable to the happiness of heaven. Were the light unrepelled by shadow, there would be no visible forms. If the first angels had not encountered the depths of darkness, the child-birth of God would have been incomplete, and there could have been no separation between the created and essential light. Never would Intelligence have known the goodness of God if it had never lost Him. Never would God's infinite love have shone forth in the joys of His mercy had the prodigal Son of Heaven remained in the House of His Father. The HE GOAT with breasts gave birth to a MAN.

When all was light, there was light nowhere; it filled the breast of God, who was laboring to bring it forth. And when He said: 'Let there be light!' He permitted the darkness to repel the light, and the universe was issued from chaos by becoming the snake, the instructor; and it taught them, saying, "What did he say to you? Was it, 'From every tree in the garden shall you eat; yet - from the tree of recognizing evil and good do not eat?' The carnal woman said, "Not only did he say 'Do not eat,' but even 'Do not touch it; for the day you eat from it, you are going to die.' And the snake, the instructor, said, "With death you shall not die; for it was out of jealousy that he said this to you. Rather your eyes shall open and you shall come to be like gods, recognizing evil and good." And the female instructing principle was taken away from the snake, and She left it behind merely a thing of the earth.

The negation of the angel who at birth refused slavery constituted the equilibrium of the world, and the motion of the spheres commenced. The infinite distances admired this love of liberty, which was vast enough to fill the void of eternal night and strong enough to bear the hatred of God. But God could hate not the noblest of

His children, and He proved him by His wrath only to confirm him in His power. So also the Word of God Himself, as if jealous of Lucifer, willed to come down from heaven, brightest in the sky, and pass triumphantly through the shadows of hell and descended to earth for the sake of the people. He willed to be proscribed and condemned; He premeditated that terrible hour when He should cry, in the throes of His agony: 'My God, My God, why hast Thou forsaken Me?'

As the star of the morning goes before the sun, the rebellion of Lucifer announced to new-born Nature the coming incarnation of God "I, Lucifer, who had given the greatest Gift of my own creation to man, was known on Earth only as an object of fear and hatred, and all the misfortunes of men were attributed to my malevolence. I was mocked, ridiculed, scorned in every way as a monster of vile and loathsome aspect, and I was taunted and despised as Satan, cruel enemy of the benevolent and merciful God. So I, Satan, who first brought thee into the light, shall again reveal my power, that man may witness the dawn of the Satanic age." Possibly Lucifer, in his fall through night, carried with him a rain of suns and stars by the attraction of his glory; possibly our sun is a demon among the stars, as Lucifer is a star among the angels. Doubtless it is for this reason that it lights so calmly the horrible anguish of humanity and the long agony of earth -because it is free in its solitude and possesses its light.

"It is I who am you: and it is you who are me. Wherever you are, I am there. For I am sown in all: and you collect me from wherever you wish. And when you collect me, it is your own self that you collect. I have sent my angel to give you this testimony for the churches, my followers know more about their hell than I. I begin with me. I am a living Soul and the Spirit of God dwells in me, as me. I and the Father are one, and all that the Father has is mine. In Truth, I am the Christ of God. I am the Root and the Offspring of David, and the bright Morning Star. Judge not, that ye not be judged." Jesus spoke again to the people, he said, "I am the light of the world. Whoever follows me will never walk in darkness, but will have the light of life." May the Morning Star which never sets find this flame still burning: Christ, that Morning Star, who came back from the dead, and shed his peaceful light on all mankind, your Daughter, who lives and reigns for ever and ever, the Morning Star proclaims "I have come the second time in the likeness of a female, and have spoken with them. And I shall tell them of the coming end of the Aeon and teach them of the beginning of the Aeon to come, the one without change, the one in which our appearance will be changed. We shall be purified within those Aeons from which I revealed myself in the Thought of the likeness of my masculinity. I settled among those who are worthy in the Thought of my changeless Aeon." The Angels and those who had forsaken the cruel dictates of Jehovah has to live by their passions and had roamed the earth when she was young. They partook of her fruits and swam in her primordial oceans. The fallen angels took as concubines the fairest of human women. Their spawn, the man-gods who taught humanity the magics of their forebears, built glorious empires to celebrate the Splendors of Evil. And proud Lucifera men did her call, that made her self a Queen, and crowned to be, yet till this day, her rightfull kingdom is never to be. Now in the form of a man, he told his followers "Believe nothing just because a so-called wise person said it. Believe nothing just because a belief is generally held. Believe nothing just because it is said in ancient books. Believe nothing just because it is

said to be of divine origin. Believe nothing just because someone else believes it. Believe only what you yourself test and judge to be true. As above, so below but enough of me, for I am nothing, there is this Man to write you this thus bring my word, the LAW OF BLISS. What has happened before will indeed happen again. What has been done before will be done again. I was, am now, and shall have no end."

"Do not believe in anything simply because you have heard it. Do not believe in anything simply because it is spoken and rumored by many. Do not believe in anything simply because it is found written in your religious books. Do not believe in anything simply on the authority of your teachers and elders. Do not believe in traditions because they have been handed down for many generations. But after observation and analysis, when you find anything that agrees with reason and is conducive to the good and benefit of one and all, then accept it and live up to it." - Buddha

REGIE SATANAS!

AVE SATANAS!

HAIL SATAN!

[This gospel cannot be completed without it's own "Apocryphal" work to go with it, so I have chosen the "Prayer of Acknowledgment of Satan's Rulership" written by Diane Vera and Aleister Crowley's "The Hymn to Lucifer" respectively. The following prayer is intended to be a self-initiation rite. Below are (1) the prayer itself unrevised, and then (2) some notes about the prayer in my words. (3) Finally the Hymn to Lucifer, which, in my opinion, together with the 'Hymn to Pan', are some of the best poems from Aleister Crowley.]

1. The prayer itself

O mighty Lord Satan,

God of this world,

God of my flesh,

God of my mind,

God of my innermost Will!

Every part of this world is within Your power.

You are within every part of this world.

Every part of me is within Your power.

You are within every part of me.

I am Yours, whether I serve You willingly or not,

for I am myself, whether I am true to myself or not.

Of my own free will, I now acknowledge Your power.

Of my own free will, I now present myself to You.

2. Notes on the prayer

As you recite the prayer, contemplate the presence of Satan manifesting every part of "this world" and every part of yourself. It is assumed here that your own innermost nature (your True Will, as Thelemites would say) is in accordance with the will of Satan -- or perhaps even a "direct" manifestation of Satan's will, depending on your theology.

On a side not the point of saying "I am Yours, whether I serve You willingly or not, for I am myself, whether I am true to myself or not" is to acknowledge the primacy of deeper parts of yourself over superficial ego constructs, and to acknowledge Satan's rulership over those deeper parts of yourself. It is hoped that, by acknowledging these things, you will become better able to access the deeper parts of yourself, and thereby become more creative and better able to learn magick-related mental skills such as visualization and meditation.

Another point: Depending on your theology, "this world," as in "God of this world," can refer either to the entire universe or just the Earth, or perhaps even just Western civilization. Think of it in whichever way makes sense to you. On another note, the Holy Bible does say that Satan is the God of this world.

Note that one of the main points of the prayer is to become true to yourself. It is not about surrender to an entity who is perceived as being entirely separate from yourself. All Satanists have a clear understanding and that understanding is Satan is acknowledged as existing both inside us and outside us. Thinking for yourself is a vital part of being a Satanist.

3. Hymn To Lucifer

Ware, nor of good nor ill, what aim hath act? Without its climax, death, what savour hath Life? an impeccable machine, exact He paces an inane and pointless path To glut brute appetites, his sole content How tedious were he fit to comprehend Himself! More, this our noble element Of fire in nature, love in spirit, unkenned Life hath no spring, no axle, and no end. His body a blood-ruby radiant With noble passion, sun-souled Lucifer Swept through the dawn colossal, swift aslant On Eden's imbecile perimeter. He blessed nonentity with every curse And spiced with sorrow the dull soul of sense, Breath life into the sterile universe, With Love and Knowledge drove out innocence

The Key of Joy is disobedience.

THE NINE SATANIC STATEMENTS REVISITED

[This chapter was not written by me and even though I have written my own version of the Nine Satanic Statements Revisited, which were in reprints of the Satanic Mini Bible, this work however is done by another former Church of Satan member named Tani Jantsang with extended commentary. The reason why I pulled these out of the vaults of the Satanic Reds is because I like Jantsang's "Satanic" sense of humor.]

SATAN REPRESENTS:

"1. Indulgence instead of abstinence."

Do you know what abstinence is? Gotta diet, don't eat that. Don't smoke. Don't drink. Don't eat meat. Don't make love. Don't dance. Don't sing. Don't talk loud. Don't laugh. Don't play. Don't be rude. Above all don't be rude, be polite and kowtow to lies. CENSOR yourself, GAG yourself lest you speak from your HEART some undefiled truth or REAL FEELING. KILL your feelings, DENY them. DENY the flesh but strive and strive to be something else. ALL of that is abstinence a/k/a "the repression of the heart." Let Christian or other inquisitors in your families, in society, lord it over you with rubbish "questions" as they PRETEND they are actually asking a question they WANT the answer to. NO, they don't want the answer, they just want to JUDGE you and make you have to JUSTIFY YOURSELF to them or at least try to make you FEEL THE NEED to justify yourself or your feelings or opinions (which might change from day to day since LIFE is all about change) when you have only TOLD THE TRUTH about something that you think or feel: That's TABOO in society. "Mom, that food tastes like SHIT, ptewy!" Letting them get away with this is a form of abstinence!

Do you know what indulgence is? Indulgence is the REFUSAL to let ANYONE do this to you, to REFUSE to censor yourself or straight-jacket your opinions, to SPEAK from the heart, to DO what you feel and want. THAT is indulgence. It is a LACK of judging oneself like the dualists tend to do. Indulgence is BEING. It is not BEING LIKED. IT IS LIKING TO BE!! INDULGE MEANS: I LIKE, I WANT, I DO, and it is also I DO NOT LIKE, I DO NOT WANT, THEREFORE I DO NOT DO. It's both!

Peer group pressure? This term means nothing to a natural born Satanist and by that I mean a person innately on the Left Handed Path (I definitely do NOT mean

anyone in these satanic organizations who are all about peer group pressure!). There are no peers. It ONLY works on ABSTAINERS. THINK IN THE INNER way about this. Peer groups get you to abstain from BEING YOURSELF! You do the "in thing" for the group (no matter what the group is), no matter if you FEEL like NOT doing it. That's abstinence too, in an inner sense.

Now, the problem is this: People in LaVeyan type organizations, example, often abstain from eating foods they might love to eat; they abstain because they are obese. Therefore they are indulging in their diets. Heh. Abstaining IS a form of indulgence, in every respect. A thief might abstain from stealing food for his starving family if he is AFRAID to get caught. That's not abstaining; that's fear of the law; he is indulging in keeping himself out of jail. People who claim they abstain, but indulge in secret - well, that's nobody's business what they do, right? Right! Obviously, they are acting the role of abstainer for other people to see for some purpose that obviously gains them something. They are indulging in being an exhibitionist abstainer. Why would LaVeyans preach to them or care? Christians care because it's a spiritual matter to them and involved their religious rules. All of this is outer behavior.

"2. Vital Existence instead of spiritual pipe-dreams."

Do you know what Vital existence is? The 2 point up star is a glyph for this. It means LIBERATION, it means normal kundalini flow and release. It means VITALITY, the physical quality of BEING VITAL AND WHOLE.

Do you know what a pipe-dream is? Fake belief in disembodied entities out there. Fake creators of man. Fake idealized states of being, like kingdom of god or various other-earthly ideas where you are no longer a body but just a disembodied mind. It means a pipe dream, a wannabe, a LIE and a "robe" you wear while you PRETEND to be what you ARE NOT, pretend to know things you KNOW NOTHING about It is belief grounded not on TRUTH, but on a fantasy that society calls a "religion" or "faith." Spiritual pipe-dreams cover a lot of things. Some religions have MORE pipe-dreams than others. But the definition, even here, is confusing and misleading - it has to be qualified.

The problem here is that "spiritual pipe dreaming" doesn't mean having a laid-back belief or even convinced Gnosis, in a Divine Hand or Deity or "something like that" because you sincerely DO see it in nature everywhere, or sincerely feel it within. It's more or less the DESIRE FOR "something other" due to life being not so good. A pipe dream is also where a person is "gonna do" something, and it's usually something he is never going to do and can't do. Big Plans. Big Ideas. They all fall to nothing for pipe dreamers. Pipe dreaming is desiring some Big Parent Up there who's going to come and FIX things (for you, of course) or get rid of your enemies like some goody goody or bad-assed Superhero kiddy crap.

"3. Undefiled Wisdom instead of hypocritical self-deceit."

Undefiled Wisdom or Inner Truth is knowing the HARD TRUTH about yourself, without the bullshit or facades or pretends. I.e., if you are STUPID, then RECOGNIZE IT. It's also the ability to "see through" propaganda, especially the type put forth by the media and government and consumerist crap.

Hypocritical self-deceit? It's when you claim to be something you are NOT and you BELIEVE IT YOURSELF. Lots of neo-satanists in the "rebellion phase" and stuck in this phase are doing self-deceit LOUDLY. When you lie to another person and deceive THEM, this is OK! It's a viable evolutionary strategy! EVERYONE does it! When you deceive yourself, you are schizoid OR WORSE. Hypocritical deceit is just what Oral Roberts did when he announced on TV, "Give me millions or God will kill me." Well, he got his millions, people gave it to him of their own free will. That's free choice. But hypocritical SELF deceit is when e.g., you claim to be in favor of Freedom of Speech and yet are your OWN inner censor, you cry over rude words that might "hurt someone's feelings" even though the words are true, or at least a truthful OPINION you have. Such a person IS NOT and CAN NOT BE in favor of Free Speech because they do not even PRACTICE IT. They deceive themselves in thinking they are for it. It is deceiving yourself to be ANYTHING you are not. Such people tend to go into ballistic reaction mode when someone who really knows something comes around and smashes their little fortress of lies. Then they can be seen to go into self-destructive behavior and also retreat to their old faith: BELIEF in lies despite evidence to the contrary (or they join neo-Satan organizations that are all about nothing). Self-deceit is a tall subject because 99% of the CULTURAL Christian world LIVES AND BREATHES in a Sea of Lies: their own culture. They are not self-aware enough to even know that they deceive themselves. They are the ENEMIES of self sincerity inside their own selves. Hypocritical self-deceit, example, is the fool screaming about "sexual freedom and rights" when he never even GOT OFF! Such a confused, obscured person really has another agenda aside from "FREEDOM TO WORK if you are sexually different." Who would know about his personal crap if he didn't blab it all over to UNinterested others? His agenda has more to do with ACCEPTENCE BY OTHERS since he obviously does not accept himself. You can spot them: they'd try to PREACH this bullshit to people who have been HAVING SEX guite naturally since they were 13 years old or so. This is hypocritical SELF-deceit. This is not the same thing as a hypocrite! SELF-deceit is not the same as deceiving others. LaVey apparently thought that people going to the Christian meetings he indulged in watching and writing about, were deceiving themselves. Um: NO! Not hardly.

"4. Kindness to those who deserve it, instead of love wasted on ingrates."

Yes, people are often raised by FIENDS and told that this is love: so they grow up in this way. They automatically are chummy with scum. Like the "girlfriend" who does

you a "favor" and gets you some crack cocaine when you are pregnant. They think this is a "friend." They don't recognize real kindness: they react to it as if the person is either an enemy to fear or a doormat to be walked on. We who are not like this KNOW what this statement means. It doesn't NEED explanation. But to the damaged (so many of whom flock into Satan organizations that have nothing but other omega wolves in them wanting to HURT someone or bully them) the concept of kindness or joy is unfathomable. They grow up loving or WANTING TO LOVE parents or spouses or siblings or even schoolmates that any healthy normal animal would want to SHOOT in vengeance instead. The peculiar thing is that most people from such abusive situations (any kind of repetitive abuse and from anyone) run away from it by joining abusive organizations where they are, once again, told what to do. They run away from gloom and ugliness and do so by running into WORSE gloom and ugliness, and the fools think it's satanic. Well, BOTH are satanic in the Webster's Dictionary sense and in the Biblical sense. (Look up Stockholm Syndrome.) They are apt to see Pinhead of Hellraiser as a cool character, yet they are incapable of seeing him as the same as what caused them to run to him - an asshole out to hurt people; they are incapable of seeing him as the Ultimate Tortured Jesus.

The statement about Love is almost different as one can be kind WITHOUT feeling love. A government spy can be kind to an enemy in order to obtain information. One can be kind to a total stranger simply out of animal-human decency. Love is a FEELING, it shines out of the heart area in a gentle way, like sunshine. It doesn't feel like anything to BE loved, but it feels like JOY TO love someone OR something. Love comes all of a sudden, and it goes just as suddenly. Normal healthy people would just let it go when it's gone and not try to FORCE something to exist when it's gone. When you do that, Love turns to obligation and then to hate. In the world there is a lot of love/hate. And we see love/hate is really HATE, not love. Love is writing a song you are inspired to write. Love is sharing it with another who liked it too. Love is NOT a bond of clinging as if you are half a person NEEDING another half. No: that is more a war of Wills because two people are TWO PEOPLE, not ONE.

Love is something klippoths CRAVE, whether it's "divine" love or love of others. I see they HAVE NO love WITHIN them, not for anything including themselves. And that is WHY they are kind to enemies and treat others who are truly kind like doormats. Love has many forms and English is not adequate to define it. There is the love of a thing or of knowledge, there is kinship love, mother love which is more of an instinct and quite different, love of an area (feeling at-home, more like territorial feelings), love of a mate (I don't mean lust, which is felt in the LOINS). Love is felt in the HEART area of the body, in the chest.

Kindness can be called compassion and is more like empathy. Christians preach this, but most of them have ONLY malice and feel good only when they can pretend to lord it over another, which they do out of inner weakness; they love to "find sinners and bully or harass them." Many neo-Satanists also do this, they delight in ganging up on anyone that is "not like them." LaVeyans have done this for decades against other Satanic organizations, including those that ignored them!

"5. Vengeance instead of turning the other cheek."

Yes. SMASH. We all know what vengeance is and what it feels like to want to GET IT. It is something any wild animal feels. There is nothing sociopathic about it except in a sick, decadent society where laws are made to protect abject scum. They get by with impunity, mouthing off, ripping off, as of old, but when the other side is given the freedom to GET EVEN they pass laws against it. Well, some animals don't care about that! When you taunt a wild animal that was never tamed enough (civilized?), it might GO AFTER you and rip off your head. Animals in zoos have been known to do this: it's natural. People, after reading "Toxic Parents," did what the book said and confronted their TOXIC parents. Result: a lot of parents ended up being killed by their kids. Our kind would have EXPECTED it.

"Turning the other cheek" is when you chicken out and then pretend that you are "above it all." Or it's something Christian parents have preached to their kids as the kids got tormented and bullied in schools on a daily basis. In reality this self-deceit FESTERS and poisons the emotions. I.e., they know they aren't "above striking back:" they know they are AFRAID to strike back. Often people attempt to "try to like" the HATED ENEMY in an attempt to NOT FEEL these festering emotions. Nope: it doesn't work. Turning the other cheek is an inward thing and NOT DOING that doesn't have to mean you have to get physical vengeance; just SPEAK OUT AND SHOUT IT, at least don't pretend to YOURSELF. Otherwise, if you really don't want to get even, it's not turning the cheek then, it's indulging in not caring! As one Satanist I know said, you can throw a curse on a person, no need for violence and trouble with the law. Well... to one grown in an inner city WITH violence, that doesn't sound like something carnal enough.... Even when the curse WORKS, it STILL doesn't feel quite as good as physically smashing the shit out of the enemy, with your bare hands! Once that's done, you REALLY don't care about it anymore: the feeling is GONE FOR GOOD.

Hmm, some might say that wrongs were done to LaVey, at least he FELT that he was wronged - but the fact of the matter is, he never ggot vengeance at all. He walled himself up like a monk instead, and his followers spoke up or encouraged others to jump into the "holy war." None of it was physical or real.

"6. Responsibility to the responsible instead of concern for psychic vampires."

Yes, it's why I refuse to give references when it is clear the person asking for them doesn't want them, give them direction on what books to study to KNOW what they CLAIM THEY WANT TO KNOW and they don't read them, but instead vampirize my time asking me over and over again the same question. LaVeyans do that a lot.

"But WHY did you blah blah" and WHY did you blah blah." Answered 10 times. Are they that stupid? Yes. Or the type that wants the personal attention on his "problem" and the answer is all too simple. But they do not just do it, they stall, meander, and want to TALK ABOUT IT MORE. This is like mental masturbation on YOUR TIME. They want you to PAY ATTENTION to them, NOTICE that they exist. I let some do this to see them doing it (study it) and then SHOW THEM what they are DOING: true to form, they often turn ostrich and rationalize their meandering. When told later on to "fuck off" they obsess and "flame me," and even creatively invent stories about me - and they do this for years of their own time (what a waste of time!). They did it to others too. Some realize what they are doing. Marsh explained psychic vampires from another direction in his article "Klippoth versus Loners" on www.apodion.com/vad/

Share what you have with those you like who ARE responsible and who REALLY want it for self edification or enjoyment: it's easy to tell that kind apart from the lonely klippoths looking for attention and ASKING for things. Genuine people usually have things of their own to SHARE BACK with you that they produce from not loneliness, but a full rich heart; they usually have their OWN JOY OF LIFE and things in common TO share. The psychic black hole has NOTHING inside to share. Giving things to such a black hole empty person is like throwing it in the garbage. However if one of them feels inclined to shower you with gifts, by all means, TAKE THEM - they are free. You owe them nothing, especially if they offered and you didn't ask for anything.

"7. Man as just another animal, sometimes better, more often worse than those that walk on all fours, who, because of his "divine spiritual and intellectual development," has become the most vicious animal of all."

Note the quotations LaVey uses. I.e., there is no "divine" spiritual or intellectual development in man at all. I wonder how many lost sight of those guotes, LaVey put them in there. Anatomical and neurological knowledge of man's brain shows that it is just like any other mammal-animal's and there is nothing odd or strange about it (except for the miswired brains found by neurology that now tells us WHY some people think up pipe-dreams no matter what they think of and are NOT ABLE to grasp any kind of truth, and why others, even when SHOWN what they are doing, are "unable to know" or anosognosic). This type tends to BE dualists. By that I mean schizoid. Alexithymic. Anosognosic. Man is biologically exactly like any other animal (we are human animals) but few people have grown up freely in society wherein this nature was ALLOWED to bloom or grow naturally and NORMALLY. They are like damaged people and many such people flock to "other worldly" organized religions. (This is not to say that all organized religion is about other worldly things! Only a dualist would misread it that way!) They are unable to get a clue into themselves even when SHOWN. They all try to squirm out of it or make up excuses no matter how you nail them down. Neurologists found this too in their schizoid patients and the more schizoid they are, the more they do this. They also notoriously ego-project. Another word for what they are is HIGHLY REPRESSED to the point that they have become their own oppressors, or they pay to join organizations where they are dictated to (hierarchical organizations that even claim

to be dictatorships!). They are their own INNER enemy: example would be a person who is "an enemy" who tells me he is going to do a crime or did one and then WORRIES that I'll turn him in! Why did he tell me? Or a person who claims to have had a war with some enemy and who never imagines that I might ASK that enemy about it. Then if the person lied, well, if the enemy never heard of him before, he will surely know about him NOW! Why did he invent this lie and TELL ME? He is his own enemy. Normal animals don't tend to do things like that. Rats don't deliberately catch themselves in traps and, after catching ONE rat, it is near impossible to catch ANY OTHERS in that same trap. But rats infected with parasites often DO begin to like the smell of cats and walk to up to cats that promptly eat them! The parasites make the rats behave in a neurologically deranged manner. In all outward appearances, this rat is behaving like a non-rat, or a klippothic rat.

The problem with this is that there is something that is definitely non-animal in things some humans do (and not klippothic either), since no other animal that we are aware of does such things and we can't know what the 99% extinct animals did. Animals, all of them, do have culture, society (group, collective, hive, or solitary), strategies and even technology of a type and MOST human endeavors are analogous; they are human-ANIMAL based technologies. All of it is based in what they can know from their own beings, their own bodies and in choices they make in adaptation. For instance, dolphins use sonar more advanced than anything humans have- but dolphins don't build it, they have it in their brains to be used; so they use it. Just like we use our opposable fingered, highly dexterous hands because we HAVE hands. There is a fine line to be drawn to make the distinction between biologically based animal behavior and things that are not, which humans do. Humans have been shown to have been capable of making technology that is wholly outside their biology - they are inspired, they get an insight frrom SOMEWHERE and some of these people who got these insights outright said it came from "not themselves!". Ramanujan, the 20th century's greatest mathematician, is one example and he clearly stated this. His calculations were provable, empirical facts! In the Hellenic, this was known as Daimonic - or genius. But is this good for the human species in the end? So far, it's not since it causes environmental problems but we have only seen the effects of this THUS FAR. (I.e., will global warming be good for humans and cause, perhaps, a new mutation or adaptation? We don't know, not YET!) At the time the inventions are created, they seem very good. As time passes, they turn out to be quite bad. To make it as distinct as I can: making a house, storing food, even writing things down, are all within our biological/animal nature to do. We have the bodily parts that just tend to DO such things - so some humans (not all) adopt these things, preserve them and they become part of a culture. But getting the idea to turn a solid metal into a liquid and then alloy it in a precise manner with another metal is not within our biological natures to do. It's something else. Using petroleum to make plastic is another example of non-animal behavior. USING spoons or something else to eat food is animal. But making plastic spoons or sterling silver spoons, or stainless steel spoons is not. Not even remotely! Aside from that, "humans as a species" do not do such things or invent such things. VERY FEW humans do this! The rest just do what monkeys do: copy it. Use it.

ALL animals become destructive, mean-spirited and even self-destructive when there is OVERPOPULATOIN. Man is no exception.

"8. Satan represents all the so-called sins, as they all lead to physical, mental or emotional gratification. "

This is a tricky one for those of us who have a whole other category of sins that are not related to the Three Monotheistic Religions. If I were to take that at face value, I'd read that as, "LaVey wants you to be Ignorant, and thinks that Ignorance will call gratification," since Ignorance is the first and biggest SIN in my culture! LaVey wants you to be a WIMP, too, he thinks wimps will receive gratification. That's another SIN in my culture. Nah, I don't think he meant that.

What is LaVey calling "sins?" Oh, I see: CHRISTIAN STUFF! So then, he wrote this FOR Christians who'd be familiar with this stuff. Why, of course he did! Every theologian that ever read his stuff knows this (and dismisses it). OK:

Murder is a sin in Christianity, "thou shalt not kill." Well, with their Onward Christian Soldiers and Children's Crusades and Inquisition I used to think that murder, cultural genocide and even genocide was a VIRTUE in the Christian religion, part of their "Manifest Destiny Ordained by their God": like: kill people to hurry them into the Kingdom, or something like that?

When you want vengeance, well... it sure would feel good to beat the bastard gone. Christians, in deeds in history, are the most vengeful people on the planet, maybe equal to the Moslems. Jews have "an eye for an eye." They believe in vengeance. Let's see "thou shalt not kill." Jews distinguish between killing and murder when they say that in their own expanded version.

OK, "You should not, or thou shalt not steal." That's one of those commandments. Theft is a sin too but hunger is a good incentive to steal food if you can't get it otherwise. In such a situation, is the hungry, potential thief to blame or is the garbage economic system to blame? Blame blame, blame the devil!

Another sin: "thou shalt not suffer a witch to live." Well, seems to me that the LaVeyans feel the same way - they are very hateful toward Wicca.

And so forth. Sorry, I don't know the other Christian sins and am seriously too lazy to go look them up and not sure where I'd find them - they're not on Page One of their Bible; tthat's where I looked. OH, I remember a few, "don't adulterate" (in the Hebrew that means to not make their tribe members impure by mixing), and don't worship idols. Oh, does it cause gratification to adulterate things or worship idols?

Maybe. Whatever. Christians have been adulterating for centuries, even by raping people in foreign nations, probably because they don't know what the Hebrew meaning is.

I can assure the reader that LaVey NEVER went and broke all those Christian sins because our laws (in fact, MOST laws of most lands, even non-Christians lands), have incorporated most of them into law, e.g., stealing, murder, laws against doing that, and religious intolerance in many places, too - these days that might take the form of "Thou shalt not suffer a Fundamentalist Moslem to live?". LaVey wasn't telling anyone to go out and break the laws of the country, most of which are founded on the Three Monotheisms anyway. Though, on seriously looking at deeds, one has to wonder about what LaVey encourages his clubbies to do, when LaVey "dictates" to his club members to behave like a den of ravening wolves and go after anti-LaVeyans like Waffen SS Storm Troopers would: is that en enjoinder to murder people? Some might think it is and they do threaten people. Oddly, when others threaten them back, they whine to the skies about it. (They should be reminded that the Red Army smashed the Storm Troopers. HA HA metaphor). They never go after Christians or seriously anti-Satanic groups. They go after OTHER Satanic organizations, or they get their non-member supporters to do it. How odd!

So we have to figure out what LaVey meant by all this sin bullshit.

Aha! I got it! He meant the SO-CALLED Christian sins that have NOTHING TO DO with the law, like greed, lust and other things he spelled out in the Satanic Bible in an effort to turn the Christian sins upside down. Wait, Christians practice greed to a great extent (they absolutely love capitalism!) and lust doesn't seem to bother them either so long as they do various taboo forms of it in secret. (Too bad he didn't know what the original Greek for these "sins" were. Too bad the Christians don't know it either! HAH! Now that I DO know: "Another Look at Christianity" - read it.)

Sure some of these things, interpreted in street talk and used tongue-in-cheek, feel good sometimes. We'd more likely say that feelings of wanting vengeance means that someone already messed with you. This is a great disturbance of one's inner peace and we'd rather NOT indulge in that garbage unless necessary - as a CHORE. Organized Religions are preeminent joy-killers and what's insidious about them is that, once they've de-humanized your animal nature, you tend to perpetuate the repression against yourself when the authority is long gone; or you replace the old authority with a new one and even pay him to be your dictator. Or you might delude yourself into getting into "sexual freedom movements" and preach the CHORE of sex while you never even get off. Don't think this is just about sex. It's not. These preachy idiots are unable to even be aware of naturally FREER PEOPLE all around them that IGNORE them, yet at the same time, they are VERY aware of them on some level.

" 9. Satan has been the best friend the church has ever had, as he has kept it in business all these years."

So then, LaVey intended to do the Fundamentalists and the Pope a BIG FAVOR? Um, was he paid by them to do this? Good question! This statement needs an update. WHICH CHURCH is this Webster's Dictionary Satan a friend to? Well, this can't mean the Jewish Temple because they don't have a devil. And it can't mean Eastern clans or cults or Islam because they don't have this idea either. Islam tends to use "Great Satan" to mean the U.S.A. It can't mean Hindus because almost all the Hindu "deities" are viewed as Devils, more or less. So then, it means the Christians, their churches and one other new group that is being kept in business: the Temple of Set. What is so odd is that TOS would choose to take the name satanist for themselves while they are hardcore fundamentalists xians! I'd call that self-deceit on a grand scale, Cosmic pipe dreams.

THE NINE TRUTHS OF MASTERY

[This is not my work rather the cornerstone document of the Priesthood of Satan penned on April 30, 1998. The Nine Truths of Mastery serves to illustrate the attributes of the Left-Hand Path. Rather than encouraging total acceptance of this document, the Priesthood of Satan merely urges people to ponder the reality of what is stated. Evidence of the truth of the ninth statement can be found within the writings of Michael S. Margolin, Michael Talbot, Dr. David Bohm, Dr. Amit Goswami, Dr. Stanislav Grof and others.]

- For the individual, living ceases to exist upon the death of the Self.
 Therefore if the individual enjoys living, the most important thing for the individual is its own life--thus the god of the individual is the Self.
- 2. All actions are either productive or counterproductive according to the perception of the individual. Therefore good and evil do not exist but only in the mind of the individual.
- 3. A thing only has meaning if it is given meaning by the individual. Therefore the only meaning to life is what the individual bestows upon it.
- 4. The individual is free to decide whether to act or not to act. Therefore the destiny of the individual depends solely upon the individual.
- 5. Pain and strife are not necessary in order to teach or understand a truth or principle. Therefore there is no great purpose for human suffering.
- All beliefs are the construction of fallible creatures. Therefore all beliefs must be questioned.
- 7. Faith is to believe that which has not been verified. Therefore no truth can be found through faith but only through reason.
- 8. The Self is partially the sum of all its experiences, its ego and identity--the body is merely a tool of the Self. Therefore immortality cannot be solely achieved through immortalizing the body but only through sustaining the Self till time indefinite.
- The Self is the Center Point of Consciousness. Therefore all are paradoxically the creators of reality.

TENETS OF FAITH

[As mentioned before, Satanic denominations or traditions usually vary from one another in very significant ways. It's very difficult to say "all Satanists believe (insert item here)." So keep in mind that as I'm writing this, I'm not perfect and I'm not all-knowing. Take this with a grain of salt, but I'll be as accurate as I can.]

1. Satanists believe in autonomy of the individual.

Individuals are unique, and precious. One should attempt to know oneself, and to develop one's skills, talent, and character to the utmost. Some people are natural leaders; some are natural followers. Those who are masters should strive to be such, and those meant to tag behind should recognize this and be content in their true nature. But no one should attempt to unnecessarily restrict one's own nature (I say "unnecessarily" because living in society does impose some regulations on actions which must be obeyed if one wishes to continue to live). This includes such things as sexual restrictions, religious restrictions, political restrictions, etc. Of course, it's not a requirement that people LIKE what you believe, but that which you wish to be and believe, you should be free to do.

Note: This is where a great many Satanists have issues with evangelism...forcing someone to listen to your beliefs when they don't wish do, or constantly going on when asked to stop, is in effect "imposing" yourself upon the other person, and attempting to nullify their autonomy. If you are trying to "reach" a Satanist, witnessing is not the way to go.

2. Satanists believe in striving for perfection of self (power).

If you're good at what you do, you'll be successful. We all have the ability to be good at SOMETHING; we all have our abilities and weaknesses. The truth of the world is that the weak seldom get anywhere, unless they turn that very weakness into a strength of some sort. Being as good as possible at everything, however, gives you a MUCH greater chance at being successful and pleased with yourself. Saying "I'm not good at anything, but I deserve respect anyway!" is not really a very Satanic view. It's great that you realize you're not good at anything, but why

should anyone respect that? What have you done to earn that respect? DO something, BE something, ACHIEVE something...then you'll have respect. Being a failure and doing nothing to change that results in a lifetime of...well....being a failure.

3. Satanists believe in 'gifts' unto the deserving.

Respect, love, friendship, monetary awards, political power...you must EARN IT!! Whether this is by personal prowess or faithful worship of Satan or some other method, all things worth any important must be earned. To give something away freely to those who are undeserving or ungrateful does nothing but cheapen the gift, until it means nothing at all. What power is there behind "I love you" if you love everyone? What value is money, if everyone has all they want of it (think "inflation")? Certainly, a certain amount of recognition to another person as a living, sentient being is in order, but if you want something special, be prepared to show that YOU are something special, as well.

4. Satanists believe in Lex Talonis.

Lex Talonis is a Latin phrase meaning "Law of the Talon," or, in other words "eye for an eye." Swift and fair, if brutal, justice. Today's penalty system, for most Satanists, is much too lax. One can do anything from shoplift to murder, and usually either get judged innocent, get set free on probation, or get cared for (food, bed, housing) for the rest of your life in jail. If you're going to punish people, then PUNISH THEM! Don't give them a slap on the wrist! Satanists believe in personal responsibility and accountability; that is, one is fully responsible for one's own actions, and should be aware of and acknowledge that fact. If you want to break the law, then break it! But be prepared to face the consequences. If you want to have unprotected sex, do it! But beware of possible diseases and pregnancy. Any action you take will have some ramification in your life; this does not curtail you from doing as you wish, but you must be prepared to answer to any issues which arise due to your actions.

5. Satanists believe "Satan" represents the admirable qualities of mankind.

Satan is generally seen as representing pride, self-sufficiency, individuality, free-will, knowledge, and power. Many non-Satanists have trouble understanding how a traditionally "evil" figure can be regarded as positive, but this is how we see it. Such things as pride, ambition, and seeking knowledge is not considered evil by Satanists; on the other hand, false humility, wallowing in ignorance, and the like are considered bad traits to possess.

LIBER OF SATAN

The Infernal Diatribe

[I present below an unrevised Ragnar Redbeard piece from his book "Might Is Right", since Anton Szandor LaVey's unattributed usage of the text as the basis of the Satanic Bible, I figured why not use it for my work.]

In this arid wilderness of steel and stone, I raise up my voice that you may hear! To the East and to the West I beckon. To the North and to the South I show a sign proclaiming, "Death to the weakling, wealth to the strong."

Open your eyes that you may see, Oh men of mildewed minds and listen to me ye laborious millions! For I stand forth to challenge the wisdom of the world; to interrogate the "laws" of man and of "God." I request reasons for your Golden Rule and ask the why and wherefore of your Ten Commands. Before none of your printed idols do I bend in acquiescence and he who saith "thou shalt" to me is my mortal foe! I demand proof over all things, and accept with reservations even that which is true. I dip my forefinger in the watery blood of your impotent mad-redeemer and write over his thorn-torn brow "The true Prince of Evil - the king of the Slaves!"

No hoary falsehood shall be a truth to me - no cult or dogma shall encramp my pen. I break away from all conventions. Alone, untrammelled, I raise up in stern invasion the standard of the strong. I gaze into the glassy eye of your fearsome Jehovah and pluck him by the beard - I uplift a broad axe and split open his worm-eaten skull. I blast out the ghastly contents of philosophically whited sepulchres and laugh with sardonic wrath. Then, reaching up from the festering and varnished facades of your haughtiest moral dogmas, I write thereon in letters of blazing scorn; "Lo and behold, all this is fraud!"

I deny all things! I question all things! And yet! And yet! Gather around me O' ye death-defiant and the earth itself shall be thine, to have and to hold.

All ethics, politics and philosophies are pure assumptions, built upon assumptions. They rest on no sure basis. They are but shadowy castles in the air erected by day-dreamers, or by rogues, upon nursery fables. It is time they were firmly planted upon an enduring foundation. This can never be accomplished until the racial mind has been thoroughly cleansed and drastically disinfected of its depraved, alien and demoralizing concepts of right and wrong. In no human brain can sufficient space be found for the relentless logic of hard fact, until all pre-existent delusions have been finally annihilated. Half-measures are of no avail. We must go down to the very root and tear them out, even to the last fibre. We must be, like nature, hard, cruel, relentless.

Too long the dead hand has been permitted to sterilize living thought -- too long, right and wrong, good and evil, have been inverted by false prophets. In the days that are at hand, neither creed nor code must be accepted upon authority, human, superhuman or "divine." (Morality and conventionalism are for subordinates.) Religions and constitutions are all arbitrary principles, every mortal theorem, must be deliberately put to the question. No moral dogma must be taken for granted -- no standard of measurement deified. There is nothing inherently sacred about moral codes. Like the wooden idols of long ago, they are all the work of human hands, and what man has made, man can destroy.

He that is slow to believe anything and everything is of great understanding, for belief in one false principle is the beginning of all unwisdom. The chief duty of every new age is to up-raise new men to determine its liberties, to lead towards its material success - to rend (as it were) the rusty padlocks and chains of dead custom that always prevent healthy expansion. Theories and ideals and constitutions, that may have meant life and hope and freedom for our ancestors, may now mean destruction, slavery and dishonor to us. As environments change no human ideal standeth sure. Wherever, therefore, a lie has built unto itself a throne, let it be assailed without pity and without regret, for under the dominance of a falsehood, no nation can permanently prosper. Let established sophisms be dethroned, rooted out, burnt and destroyed, for they are a standing menace to all true nobility of thought and action. Whatever alleged "truth" is proven by results to be but an empty fiction, let it be unceremoniously flung into the outer darkness, among the dead gods, dead empires, dead philosophies and other useless lumber and wreckage.

The most dangerous of all enthroned lies is the holy, the sanctified, the privileged lie -- the lie that "everybody" believes to be a model truth. It is the fruitful mother of all other popular errors and delusions. It is hydra-headed. It has a thousand roots. It is a social cancer. The lie that is known to be a lie is half eradicated, but the lie that even intelligent persons regard as a sacred fact -- the lie that has been inculcated around a mother's knee -- is more dangerous to contend against than a creeping pestilence. Popular lies have ever been the most potent enemies of personal liberty. There is only one way to deal with them. Cut them out, to the very core, just as cancers are. Exterminate them root and branch, or they will surely eat them all up. We must annihilate them, or they will us.

He who saith unto himself, "I must believe, I must not question" is not a man but a mere pusilanimous mental gelding. He who believes "because it has been handed down" is a fool in his folly. Sagacious spirits doubt all things, and hold fast only to that which is demonstrably true.

The rules in life are not to be found in Korans, Bibles, Decalogues and Constitutions, but rather the rules of decadence and death. The "law of laws" is not written in Hebrew consonants or upon tables of brass and stone, but in every man's own heart. He who obeys any standard of right and wrong, but the one set up by his own conscience, betrays himself into the hands of his enemies, who are ever laying in wait to bind him to their millstones.

"I rest my hopes on nothing" proclaimed Goethe, and masterful minds in all ages have never done otherwise. This unspoken thought gives to all truly great men their manifest superiority over the brainless, vociferating herd. The "common people" have always had to be fooled with some written or wooden or golden Idol — some constitution, declaration or gospel. Consequently, the majority of them have ever been mental thralls, living and dying in an atmosphere of strong illusion. They are befooled and hypnotized even to this hour, and a large portion of them must remain so, until time is no more. Indeed the masses of mankind are but the sediment from which all the more valuable elements have long ago been distilled. They are totally incapable of real freedom, and if it was granted to them, they would straightway vote themselves a master, or a thousand masters within twenty-four hours.

Mastership is right -- Mastership is natural -- Mastership is eternal. But only for those who cannot overthrow it and trample it beneath their hoofs. Is it not a fact that in actual life, the ballot-box votes of ten million subjective personalities are as thistle down in the balance, when weighed against the far seeing thought and material prowess of, say, ten strong silent men?

"Love one another" you say is the supreme law, but what power has made it so? Upon what rational authority does the Gospel of Love rest? Is it even possible in practice and what would result from its universal application to active affairs? Why should I not hate mine enemies, and hunt them down like the wild beasts they are? Again, I ask why? If I "love" them does that not place me at their mercy? Is it natural for enemies to "do good" unto each other and, what is "good?" Can the torn and bloody victim "love" the blood-splashed jaws that rend him limb from limb? Are we not all predatory animals by instinct? If humans ceased wholly from preying upon each other, could they continue to exist?

"Love your enemies and do good to them that hate and despitefully use you," is the despicable philosophy of the spaniel that rolls upon its back, when kicked. Obey it, O' reader, and you and all your posterity to the tenth generation shall be irretrievably and literally damned. They shall be hewers of wood, and carriers of water, degenerates, Gibeonites. But hate your enemies with a whole heart, and if a man smite you on one cheek, smash him down; smite him hip and thigh for self-preservation is the highest law. He who turns the "other cheek" is a cowardly dog -- a Christian dog.

Give him blow for blow, scorn for scorn, doom for doom; with compound interest liberally added thereunto. Eye for eye, tooth for tooth, aye four-fold, a hundred-fold. Make yourself a terror to your adversary and when he goeth his way, he will possess much additional wisdom to ruminate over. Thus shall you make yourself respected in all the walks of life, and your spirit - your immortal spirit - shall live, not in an intangible paradise, but in the brains and thews of your aggressive and unconquerable sons. After all, the true proof of manhood is a splendid progeny; and it is a scientific axiom that the timid animal transmits timidity to its descendants.

If men lived "like brothers" and had no powerful enemies to contend with and surpass, they would rapidly lose all their best qualities - like certain oceanic birds that lose the use of their wings because they do not have to fly from pursuing beasts of prey. If all men had treated each other with brotherly love since the beginning, what would have been the result now? If there had been no wars, no rivalry, no competition, no kingship, no slavery, no survival of the toughest, no racial extermination, truly what a festering "hell fenced in" this old globe would be! If this struggle is ordained of us, why not enter into it with kindly courage, with dauntless delight? Why not go forward daring all things, to conquer or to die? Is it not better to perish than to serve? "Liberty or Death" is not a meaningless phrase. No, it is of tremendous import to those who - comprehend.

What is death that it should make cowards of us all? What is life that it should be valued so highly? There are worse things than death, and among them is a life of dishonor. All men lead dishonorable lives that serve a master with hand or brain. Life itself is but a spark in the gloom that flashes out and disappears. Why therefore not make the most of it here and now, here and now! There is no "Heaven of glory bright", and no hell where sinners roast. There is no right; there is no Wrong- nor God- nor Son - nor Ghost.

Death endeth all for every man For every "son of thunder": Then be a lion in the path, And don't be trampled under.

For us there is no rest - no Kingdom of Indolence, either on this Earth or beyond the skies- no Isles of the Blest- no Elysian Fields - no garden of the Hesperides. NO! NO! All these magical legends are but fanciful dreams - fiction of mortals of yore.

Here and NOW is our day of torment! Here and NOW is our day of Joy! Here and now is our opportunity! Choose ye this day, this hour, for no redeemer liveth. Every attempt made to organize the future must necessarily collapse. The present is our domain, and our chief duty is to take immediate possession thereof upon strict business principles. Strive therefore against them that strive against you, and war against them that war against thine. Lay hold of shield and buckler or their equivalents; stand up! Be a terrible one in thine own defense. Raise up also the clenched hand, and stop the way of them that would persecute you. Say unto thine own heart and soul: "II. even I, am my own redeemer."

Let them be hurled back into confusion and infamy, who devise thine undoing. Let them be as chaff before the cyclone, and let the Angel of Death pursue them, nay, overtake them. In a pit they have hidden a trap for thy feet; into that very destruction let them fall. Then, exultant, "sound the loud timbrel". Rejoice! Rejoice! in thine own salvation. Then all thy bones shall say pridefully, "Who is like unto me? Have I not delivered myself by mine own brain? Have I not been to strong for mine adversaries?

Have I not spoiled them that would have spoiled me?"

Blessed are the strong, for they shall possess the earth - Cursed are the weak, for they shall inherit the yoke. Blessed are the powerful for they shall be reverenced among men - Cursed are the feeble for they shall be blotted out.

Blessed are the bold for they shall be masters of the world - Cursed are the humble, for they shall be trodden under hoofs. Blessed are the victorious, for victory is the basis of right - Cursed are the vanquished for they shall be vassals forever.

Blessed are the battle-blooded, beauty shall smile upon them - Cursed are the poor in spirit, they shall be spat upon. Blessed are the audacious, for they have imbibed true wisdom - Cursed are the obedient, for they shall breed creeplings.

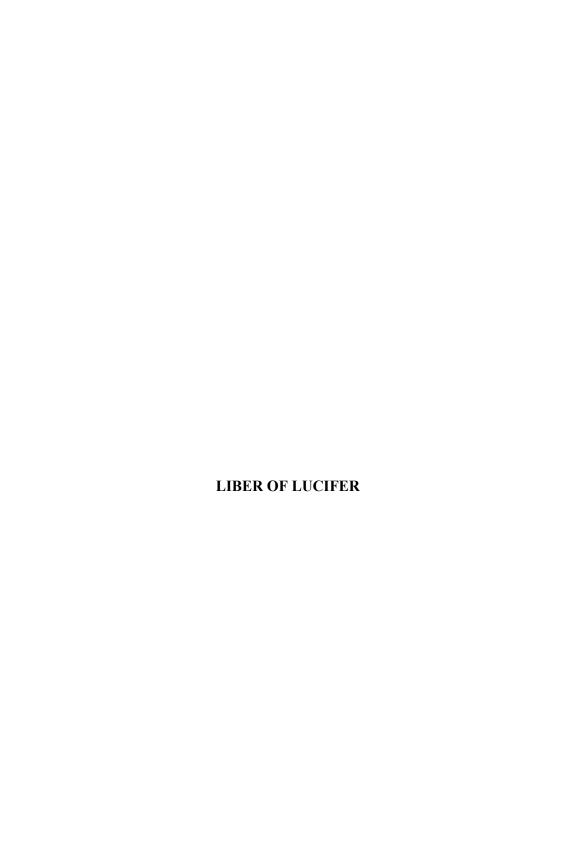
Blessed are the iron-handed, the unfit shall flee before them - Cursed are the haters of battle, subjugation is their portion. Blessed are the death-defiant, their days shall be long in the land - Cursed are the feeble-brained, for they shall perish amidst plenty. Blessed are the destroyers of false hope, they are the true Messiahs - Cursed are the God-adorers, they shall be shorn sheep. Blessed are the valiant for they shall obtain great treasure - Cursed are the believers in good and evil for they are frightened by shadows

Blessed are they who believe in nothing, never shall it terrorize their minds - Cursed are the "lambs of God," for they shall be bled whiter than snow. Blessed is the man who hath powerful enemies, they shall make him a hero - Cursed is he who "doeth good" unto others, he shall be despised.

Blessed is the man whose foot is swift to serve a friend, he is a friend indeed - Cursed are the organizers of Charities, they are propagators of plagues. Blessed are the wise and brave for in the struggle they shall win - Cursed are the unfit, for they shall be righteously exterminated.

Blessed are the sires of noble maidens, they are the salt of the earth - Cursed the mothers of strumous tenderlings, for they shall be ashamed. Blessed are the mighty-minded, for they shall ride the whirl-winds - Cursed are they who teach lies for truth, and truth for lies, for they are - abomination.

Blessed are the unmerciful, their posterity shall own the world - Cursed are the famous wiselings, their seed shall perish off the earth. Thrice cursed are the vile, for they shall serve and suffer.



SATAN IS DEAD!

Few writers and philosophers have spoken with such aeonic insight than Friedrich Nietzsche who in an age when to have such thoughts yet alone speak them was truly individual and heretical, proclaimed that 'God is dead'. Now the best part of a century since, after successive forms of occultic (and largely puerile) manifestation is the recognition that Satan is also dead is long overdue, if we are not to be bound and thus regress by cyclical/repetitious obsession rather than spiral striving. Often I don't think Jesus would be caught dead as a Christian, were he physically here today... Generally, I don't think Christians would like Jesus if he showed up today as he did 2,000 years ago. In fact, I think we'd call him a heretic and plot to kill him, too.

It is said with just a little sadness, for all truth and wisdom intimates the sadness that reality (that is evolutionary imperative) is beyond our own individuality, that one must say that Satanism is obsolete as is most forms of magick, paganism and the occult. Whilst the latter three have much to offer the unfolding of science of the Folk and its manifestations in aeons and civilisations as evolving organisms because of the traditions they entail with regard to the experience and striving of countless ancestral generations who continued to express the innate spirit of their founding, the former (for all its self-vaunted and vacuous elitism and self-hypnotic promotion) was nothing more than a brief experiment in a causal moment – for those who know. Those who fail to see this are completely unaware of the real meaning of so-called satanism.

We are not talking here even of the devout satanic churches and groups which emerged in and after the Crowley days (mainly in the United States of America, which due to it's cultural and racial bastardisation and homogenisation is constantly throbbing with the need to 'save the world' via some, usually, superficial eclectic concoction, which quickly declines into religious and thereby ephemeral fashion) and those writers who created various satanic bibles, covens, etc and fulfilled the role of a brief distraction whilst deeper work was enacted elsewhere in society (although the fact that they mistakenly chose and thence got so carried away with dead forms and largely Judaic forms, weakened the value of their role). With only one or two exceptions, they missed the point of exploiting a heresy manipulated and imposed for millennia by the Establishment).

Rather, of the serious 'satanic' eruption from England that actually brought a breath of fresh air and was a *real* accuser. It served its purpose, as chosen by its progenitors; played its role and now it has returned to become reborn in another form.

Sadly this breath of fresh air itself has become contaminated, by the mixing of the two forms which has now been swallowed by the disease of individualism, ego and fashion: a teenage culture has been born replete with hackneyed weaponry and ceremonial, face paint, church burning, pseudo rituals, and legions of grand masters: my Jehovah must really trembling! Meanwhile those who are supposedly serious cry foul because they have

been refused the right to do as they wish with the material created by others: 'me a satanic priest, how dare you tell me what to do on the Internet' rather than attempt to understand why the material was made public initially and why, now, it is to be disseminated in a different manner for a variant purpose.

History itself should teach us something. In this context it has not. For the outer form has been seized upon as the thing itself, as opposed to it being merely a role or process for something far more. In that respect, all true manifestation of heresy (in whatever form: politics, art, music, science, etc) should fulfil the destiny of the Folk – not by the outer noises it makes and the adherents it attracts, but by the real change it causes in the being of those few who are capable of dedicating their lives to something beyond themselves and thus taking the heresy further and, via their roles, causing a shift in the fabric of the aeon – as a comrade recently put it like a sapling growing in the shadow if a rotting tree.

But the plain fact is that it is the perpetual mistake of promulgators of the Old Aeon in whatever form (occultic, political and religious), to sense symbols in terms of 'answers' rather than as 'keys' to the progression of the Aeon and the unleashing of the New Order after Ragnorak. This is just as true of the plethora of pseudo-masters currently proliferating: satanic, pagan, national socialist and their assorted precious coteries. They fester, unaware that the keys are a challenge, for further and painful change. Hence the tradition in Fraternitas Loki and in the Order of Nine Angles to use and then dispose of roles, to live with total conviction a mission or task and then move on (in the event that something useful or unique or of use to the overall aeonic initiative is created then a disciple, or comrade or sub-group will be found or created to further presence that initiative as part of a subsequent role). Change once apprehended in the purging of the self, is then applied to a practical achievement in society: without noisy fanfares usually. After all a real magickian does not look like a magickian. A good wine speaks for itself. This is not to presuppose that, in judeo-christian-satanic sense, the role is a game for the delight of the ego which has 'joined the elite'.

We see this delusion all around us those so called 'aristocrats', 'grand-masters' 'warriors', 'priests', 'adepts' et al ad nauseam: roll-up, roll-up, book your tickets now for The Abyss is very overpopulated with every phoney. Anyone worth his salt would not accept the title of Grand Master or even Master or Priest or whatever, at least not in any public context (and only in the private working of a lodge where the title merely denotes a function of duty and service for the work to be done), as is now the case in the myriad of 'zines and 'Aryan aristocratic satanic heathenish' orders: AIDS of the mind, for like acquired immune deficiency syndrome it too caused by an over-indulgence, infantile arrogance and egotism concerning so called individualism.

There was a time when children acted out in their learning games the role models of their ancestors, great heroes and achievers of their race and civilisation. Now overfed, overpaid, over nurtured with egotism by the materialist system they so despise (apparently), like puppets they are manipulated into turning their dole money or educational grant from the State, or their pocket money from moma and papa, or their advance from any minor producer wily enough to suck them dry; even their acts of

rebellion are nothing more than premature ejaculations: anything from occasionally burning the unprotected ancient stave church, to cemetery graffiti and parading jackboots. Well, it makes someone some money somewhere. Sadly so much energy is wasted acting out for The System the 'evil' image it created. The Nazarene Barbarian Church stole the traditions of The Folk; what it could not absorb was turned into their own perverse fantasies: Cernunnos Satan

So what of the great spirit of the new aeon supposedly guiding these wanna-be's? Empty. Worse than that a neurotic inverts. The fact is that no amount of 'sinister' intellectual argument about the origins of the name Satan as Greek for accuser borrowed by the Jews will hide the fact that the entirety of satanism rife in the world today is a mere reverberation of that initial expropriation by the enemies of the Folk. Take a look at the average Satanist: any honour, vitality, health, élan? Doing anything at all beyond the role (which should cause inner change) other than as an ego-crutch which centuries of cultural indoctrination has seeded? Begun the long, slow and painful task towards individuation? Good manners, bearing, integrity, industry and a calm self-effacing mien with self-honesty and striving triumph over self-importance, dogma, petty-territorialism? No. Yet more dualism dressed up in variant forms of decadent pandering to the ego.

Nothing new is actually offered by these masters and groups. A few manuscripts, a couple of rituals, the first game of playing with someone else's mind and they have been hooked: like that first cigarette, or that first snort of coke; they haven't broken away from the System; rather it has massaged their ego. Satanic of national socialist masturbation then follows in whatever the current 'in thing' happens to be. The music scene for example is redolent of the decadence of society itself: on label after another, each as doctrinaire and cliquish as its predecessor. Given a choice any self-respecting aeonic traveller of The Path would rather have Zulu warrior or a fundamentalist preacher for company than these banal parrots, running around comatose in priapic obsession, for them puberty is a lifetime disease.

Those falling into the trap are self evident. Those that are truly committed to self evolution rarely disagree, for there is already an inner calm and a willingness to meet like gentlemen, rather to score a point: instinctively the evolving individual knows his fellow traveller, the real heretic. F.L. has found this to be the case with its comrades in its own ranks and other groups over the years.

As with the outpourings of the universalist culture and its politically correct perversions, the whole issue of the satanic dialectic, (or to use more European forms Thorian, Lokian or Faustian imperative) is now distorted by kiddy wannabe's: a little knowledge is dangerous and combined with the technological toys The System has so conveniently supplied them with, these teeny and miasmic Black Popes, Masters and Priests hold forth on the Internet, or in countless zines, and in the most dire and un-Aryan cacophonic obscenities masquerading as music – by comparison one would be grateful for the primal close-harmonies of the most primitive African tribes. Take their toys away and they are nothing. They have not lived. Neither will they. They haven't even the time or courage to get a real job, live in the real world, see a task through, or attempt to apprentice themselves to a master craftsman: no, because they are instant aristocratic

adepts – but of course! Get your candy wand out and read the holy qaballah and googachoo grimoire baby.

It rather calls to mind all those revolutionaries of the late 1960's and early 1970's: it is interesting to note that the most radical of them who were at the barricades, fomenting the demos, who were screaming for the blood of the bourgeois police, judges and industrialists, are now usually to be found as executives in the big corporations, with the usual palatial split-level detached's, BMW, pool, 2nd home, and a little business on the side

Few have the currency of their conviction. Even fewer step outside The System or can stomach the years of privation to engage in the long process of knowledge in practical that can lead, perhaps even in this lifetime, to individuation and self-mastery and even a contribution to the creative minority. For it is through this kindless winterland of struggle and growth, creating and changing self and others as one goes, that each crisis and watershed helps trigger a ripple in the causal fabric, and a fertile ground is sown of our successors, who may (or may not) recollect us.

How far the West fallen; how easily each new generation falls prey to that mind-set of the infection is seen in one of its creations: linear time, which has so effectively enslaved not only the Europeans but every race upon which its bestial conversions were fulminated. It is even seen in the most serious of Odinists: for years they have laboured under the judeo-christian delusion that the triumph of the Thurses and the forces of chaos and the Twilight of the Gods was some sort of failure or a lesson of 'avoidance', rather than the procession of the aeons.

It is hard for anyone, who having first tasted the waxing of greater insight in this life, to realise that we are part of something more important than our individual selves. That we must experience and master this process of collapse and destruction, within us. "What saith the wise man? Vanity of vanities: all is vanity".

Loki's presence told Odin he was doomed: This did not weaken his vitality nor his involvement in the cycle. And Balder's death was nothing to do with some overtly benevolence. His 'goodness' was a steely determination not to become involved and muddied in what for him will be a passing phase of that Aeon to precede the one he will rule: it is as if his participation in the Asgardian Age was just a portent.

This lesson must be learnt well by all who journey into Satanism. It is not for those who will play at life or take destiny lightly or allow ego to condition the work in hand. The Vikings had this sadness embedded in their ethos: we live we die; there is no safe haven or happy pill of eternity – except for the sure knowledge that we have sent a clear and eternal message throughout all time of our contribution to totality and evolution; we have played the game and yielded our potential before gods and men.

RELIGION & SCIENCE

Modern science had its origins in the late Middle Ages, especially during the period called the Renaissance. Many of its discoveries brought it into conflict with the traditional beliefs held by the medieval church. There is no neutral ground in the universe; every square inch, every split second, is claimed by God and counter-claimed by Satan. The assertion by Galileo and others that the Earth was not the center of the universe outraged many church leaders, and Galileo was brought to trial for teaching unacceptable doctrines.

Conflicts between religion and science did not cease with the Renaissance. Today there are many religious people who condemn all teaching about the theory of evolution. They assert that the Biblical account of creation is literally true; therefore, evolution is unacceptable to them.

Opposition between religion and science arose from the mistaken notion that religion could present its doctrines as undisputed knowledge that would hold true for all time. The medieval church had incorporated into its system of belief certain ancient scientific assertions about the Earth and the heavens. As these assertions were slowly proved false, the church reacted because it had used ancient science to support its doctrine. In other words, it had attempted to use assumed facts of science to support belief. It feared, consequently, that if the facts were swept away, the belief would crumble. As it happened, religious resistance to science alienated many educated people.

The church did not realize that real belief cannot be supported by evidence from science. Nor can belief be undone by scientific evidence. The sciences deal with what they can see, inspect, and experiment with. They can make no valid statements about the existence or nonexistence of a god, for instance, because such statements must be made without any available evidence. On the other hand, religion cannot pretend to invalidate the findings of scientists for fear that belief will be challenged. If the objects of faith are true and the objects of scientific discovery true as well, then the objects are equally true and cannot contradict each other.

The uneasiness between science and religion has not been limited to Christianity. Marxist communism of the 20th century has become a kind of religion. It has an all-embracing worldview, and it has a faith in the historical process for which no evidence exists. During Joseph Stalin's rule in the Soviet Union, scientific theories that seemed to contradict his version of Marxism were suppressed. Stalin's favorite

scientist was Trofim Lysenko, a biologist and agronomist who supported theories on heredity completely at variance with the genetic principles developed by Gregor Mendel. Through Lysenko's influence and under Stalin's insistence, all other approaches to biology were outlawed. Some scientists who had previously taught Mendelian genetics were forced to change their opinion and teach Lysenko's version of biology.

ONTOLOGY OF DIVINITY

It is my contention that the theological and mythic elements of religion are best understood as prescientific (or a-scientific) systems analogous to the reality-models used by both philosophers and scientists. That is, historically, the various systems of divine ontology are best understood as nonscientific methods of explanation for the nature of the visible world. Religion, as such, is wider in scope than mere ontology, however ontology (along with the attendant myth-cycles) is certainly one of the two* fundamental elements thereof.

The various ancient polytheisms develop around an axiomatic core of interconnected interplay between the elements of creation. In other words, there is a basic assumption that a coherent story can be told encompassing the totality of observed phenomena. Such a coherent story is known as a myth-cycle. The regularities observed in the world are due to the collective activity of the divinities, whose mythic and cosmic dance is the underlying cause of the rationality (and irrationality) of creation.

The fundamental unit of the polytheistic system is the pantheon (Greek = "all the gods"), or the governing set of divinities. The divine pantheon, as a collective entity, is responsible for maintaining the rational (and irrational) structure of perceived reality. Individual divinities are delimited through coherent groupings of characteristics/spheres of provenance. These divinities and their activities are interpreted anthropomorphically, in order to achieve a mythic vision relevant to the human condition.

Monotheism, as a theological development, received its primary impetus from philosophers** who were concerned with determining the "first principle", a single element/idea from which all things originate. The determination that there is (or should be) such a principle is fundamental and axiomatic to the monotheistic philosophies, but its justification may be held as a consequence of a prior axiom of simplicity.

Common to both the various polytheisms and monotheisms is the idea that the visible world owes its characteristic be-ness to the activity of the divine. Common to both is the idea that divine activity is cosmic in scope, in that the entirety of visible reality is thereby sustained. Common to both is the idea that divinity is conscious (or meta-conscious), and that the activities of human beings are relevant to the divine order.

The various polytheisms and monotheisms all hold that the activities of humankind are participatory (or at least can be participatory) in the cosmic order. This attitude colors both the practice of solemn ritual as well as the proscription of

taboos. The former seeks to amplify/reside in the sacred order, whereas the latter are interpreted as violations thereof.

In philosophical Hinduism, both polytheism and monotheism can be simultaneously posited, by allowing for differences in the scale/magnification of resolution. In fact, the two viewpoints are not opposed to one another, as is often thought.

Regardless of whether one is considering a polytheistic system, or a monotheistic system, or a hybrid system, the common theme is that the divine ontology acts as the fundamental explanation for the observed regularities of the visible world. In this fundamental sense, then, the development of an ontology of divinity proceeds from the same concern that drives both philosophy and the empirical sciences (at one time called "natural philosophy"). Obviously, however, the methods of determination involved in these three sibling areas are quite different - with the pure empirical method (hypothesis testing) of science being considered the best (most informative; most useful) currently.

Proponents of theology often state that divine ontology can provide justifications for the meaningfulness (mythic relevance) of experience which science, due to its detachment of subject from object, and its categorization-analysis, cannot. On this point, I am inclined to be in agreement, preferring not to grant exclusive truth status to any model.

- *The other fundamental element of religion, namely the transformation of the self toward the divine prototype, is not examined in the present analysis.
- **Here, I am indicating the ancient Greek, Arab, and Indian philosophers who proposed the various monisms in ancient and medieval systems. Though both the Hebrews and (briefly) Egyptians had developed non-philosophical monotheisms, these systems were limited in their influence in the ancient world.

EVIDENCE OF A NEW SATANIC AGE

We are entering into a new aeon, the Age of Aquarius. Aquarius is the 11th sign of the Zodiac.
This is the "Aeon of Satan." Here are some of the signs:

- * 1999, inverted, is 1666 (one-666). 666x3=1998.
- * 2000, in numerology is number 2; 11, (1+1=2) Two and eleven are the chief numbers of Lucifer.
- * 2000 was Year of the Dragon (the Dragon is one of the symbols of Satan) which marked the commencement of the 21st century.
- * 666- 6 x 6 x 6 = 216. 2,160 years is the approximate time it takes for the synetic vernal point to travel backwards from one constellation to another. Aquarius, the sign of a man (the water bearer) represents the coming new age. Ea/Enki also known as Satan is symbolized by the Water Bearer of Aquarius.

The Gods placed much emphasis on the movement of the planets, stars, and constellations. They left images in stone, as seen in the Egyptian Sphinx, which was constructed during the age of Leo (10,500 years ago). The scarab, representing the ancient Egyptian sign of and the Age of Cancer, the rows of ram's heads (Age of Aries) and the monolithic sculptures of the twins (Gemini), are seen in numerous places throughout Egypt and Middle East.

In 1962, the planets lined up- Sun, Moon, Mercury, Venus, Mars, Jupiter, and Saturn all in the sign of Aquarius and ushered in the computer age, which emerged worldwide 28 years later following the Saturn cycle. Technology has advanced at an unprecedented pace in the past century.

Atheist, Dr. Madalyn Murray O'Hair succeeded in removing the xian bible and compulsory prayer from the public schools in 1963. Anton LaVey established the first above ground Church of Satan on the Eve of Beltane, April 30th, 1966. During the late 1960's the Catholic Church, which is the original xian church and the backbone of xianity, began to crumble. Catholic nuns and priests gradually shed their vestments. Today, the wearing of formal vestments by the Catholic clergy in many parts of the world, especially in the United States is rare. The Catholic clergy has dwindled to where the lay people are taking over the former duties of Catholic priests and nuns. The remaining priests, most of whom are aging, are being exposed and brought to justice for the sexual abuse and exploitation of children and other revolting crimes that have occurred for centuries. The resulting lawsuits and scandals are breaking the Catholic Church. The Protestants have their share of crimes against humanity as well. We are now in the age of information and communication, which will result in many of these xian sects being exposed along with the Catholic Church.

The 1970's band "Black Sabbath," paved the way for heavy metal, death/black metal. The metal scene openly blasphemes the xian "god" and Satanic lyrics are very popular, especially among the youth. Look around you- Satanic music, movies, books, role playing games, video games, the internet with

thousands of Satanic websites, Satanic t-shirts, Baphomet jewelry, and more. Satan is becoming very popular. Satan has the youth.

During the 1990's, thousands of xian churches were burned worldwide. The xian churches are rapidly losing their credibility and reputations; as a result, many are lost and looking for answers. The xian religion was built upon murder, lies, injustice and appalling crimes against humanity and it is now facing the consequences. Knowledge is readily available and the lies and promises of the right hand path religions are no longer as effective as they once were.

In the Al-Jilwah, Satan states that those who are without "do not know the state of things that is to come. For this reason, they fall into many errors." We are reaching the end of the age of Pisces. It has been written that in the end, the truth will come out and many will want to join at the last minute, but it will be too late to do so. Yaweh/Jehova, the REAL "Prince of Lies" is not going after the small stakes, because he has had the judeo/xian/muslim religions for centuries. The bible bangers are in for a rude awakening.

SATANIC SEX

With all the New Age hype, there is this emphasis on love, love, love. Love is an emotion. Yes, it is essential to human happiness and one's well-being, but all of this emphasis on "love" has cheapened it and made it to be something it is not. ALL emotions are equally valid and essential.

The truth is- love is something everyone must earn. Of course, there is misplaced love, as in situations where one becomes infatuated or even obsessed with another person and the love is not returned. These are emotions out of control and can be something very ugly and painful.

Satanism is about being free and living with nature. Love for love's sake, or love that is wasted on ingrates is abuse of this emotion. Foolish xians are taught to love their enemies. This teaching is suicidal. How long would our bodies last if our immune systems turned the other cheek so to speak and loved invaded viruses? These sick twisted teachings regarding love can land one in the psychiatrist's office. This is where so many of these people end up going at certain points in their lives.

Abuse of love, like the other teachings of the nazarene, leads to confusion and chaos. True love is something that is earned upon a foundation of mutual empathy, kindness, trust, and goodwill between two people. Love is a two-way street. Loving enemies, illnesses and anything and anyone just for the sake of love is unnatural and very unhealthy.

Father Satan loves those of us who come to him with an open heart. He does not waste his love on xians or other deluded fools who reject him. Satan takes care of his own. This is the true meaning of love. Love is a two-way street.

As for self-love, this is definitely something like self-esteem, which one earns. When you excel or exceed and you know you are the best you can be, you will be proud of yourself. True pride and self-love go hand in hand. I am not talking about mindless arrogance, just recognition of one's self and one's efforts for a job well done, and a sense of accomplishment. People who work to better themselves in one way or another will reap rewards. The rewards are personal pride and self-love.

Those who do not bother with themselves have nothing to be proud of and more often than not, these people have low self-esteem.

All of these false New Age teachings with their focus on love are detrimental to one's mental health, emotional health, and worse. One should focus on reality. "Loving" everything and everyone only sets one up to be a victim, to have low self-esteem and places one upon the path of delusion. These people only go so far as ALL true "occult" is of the Devil and one must give the Devil his due to advance. Others are merely trespassing. Satan does not look out for them or love them. Why should he? True love is a two-way Street.

ON THE CHOICE OF A HUMAN SACRIFICE

Christianity has a long track record of blaming and accusing Satan and Satanists of everything they themselves do and promote. The nazarene is a human blood sacrifice they repeatedly celebrate during every Christian mass or service.

The Catholic Church being true to its mission of destroying and removing all spiritual knowledge went on an all out rampage of mass murder and torture unequaled in all of recorded history. See"Inquisition," and Malleus Malficarum; also known as "The Witch's Hammer."

Examples include: Christians proved that a human being, skinned alive can survive until the skin is removed to the waist. Many innocent people were slowly boiled to death, to prolong the torture. This hideous list goes on and on. Extreme pain can cause anyone to do or say anything. Unfortunately, many "confessions" obtained under extreme torture are to this day assumed to be valid and used by the Christian Church as a tool to frighten people and enforce their lies.

So much knowledge of a spiritual nature was systematically removed, cutting humanity off from its origins. This knowledge was replaced with false doctrines that incited fear and worked to turn everyone against the truth. Elaborate horror stories and sick twisted information became the norm as these were deliberately heaped upon any religion outside of Christianity.

Racial and cultural memory is a fact. Those who look to alternatives find little if anything of a positive nature concerning Satan. Anything that does not conform with the Judeo/Christian concept of Satan is vehemently suppressed in the mainstream bookstores and media. Misinformation concerning living blood sacrifice, mutilation of self and others, drug abuse and self-degeneration is easily and readily available. People, who believe this sick garbage often commit so called "occult crimes." Christianity is responsible for all of the "occult crimes," NOT Satan or his Demons!

As one can see with the inquisition, the torture was severe enough to force one into saying anything. Slavery, gang rape, genocide, cannibalism, sexual perversion, eating of feces, are all a major part of the Judeo/Christian Bible. One heinous accuser and interrogator of "witches," Benedict Carpzov, read the xtian bible "53 times." He also authored a manual "Practica Rerum Criminalum" advocating the use of extreme torture for "suspects." It is more than obvious to see where all these sick ideas come from. Ancient spiritual texts given to us from the Gods were destroyed and replaced with this sick, meaningless, literary filth, designed to keep psychic power in the hands of a select few.

As for sacrifice, this applies to time, effort and creativity. The joy of serving Satan is well worth any sacrifice. The more we do for Father Satan, the more he does for us.

The stigma of human sacrifice must be removed from Satanism. This does nothing but make Satan look undesirable and perpetuate the stereotype of our people being looked upon as loonies and psychos, when this is so far from the truth. Occult crimes are not a part of Satanism. Satan, himself referred to the small percentage of fools who do this as "lunatics."

"Living Sacrifice is not a part of Satanism" -Erzulie-Freda-Dahomey

SATANIC HOLIDAYS

[This is an incomplete list since there is much debate over the Satanic Bible but I will post all the holidays that were written by conservative Christian authors, that wrote many anti-Satanism literature, and sold in Evangelical book stores. In some cases, the authors appear to create the information out of thin air. Others seem to copy the works of other conservative Christian writers. Few if any appear to have any direct link to Satanism. I analyzed 14 books myself and about a dozen handouts which attack Satanism. All show a general lack of familiarization with the religion. The Dictionary of Cults, Sects, Religions and the Occult by Mather & Nichols, (Zondervan, 1993), P. 244, quotes The Satanic Bible as listing the main Satanic holidays as: Walpurgisnacht, Halloween, and the member's birthday. These are believed to be accurate.]

The following is a detailed history of each holiday that we as Satanists celebrate in one calendar year. Within each definition, you will not find anything about Satanism, only about the actual history of the holiday, but I am sure that you will figure out, while you read this, why these holidays were chosen.

The Spring Equinox: March 21st, Satanist new year or Crux.

As the newly reborn sun races across the sky, the days become longer, the air warmer and, once again, life begins to return to the land. Twice a year, day and night become equal in length. To the elders of the Olde Way, these times, equinoxes, were markers in which seeds would be planted and then harvested. The first of these, the Spring or Vernal Equinox occurs on or about March 21st.

The ancient goddess, Eostre, a Saxon deity who marked not only the passage of time but also symbolized new life and fertility, was the key symbol of this celebration which was also known as Ostara. Legend has it that the goddess was saved by a bird whose wings had become frozen by the cold of winter. This process turned the bird into a hare. Yet this was no ordinary cottontail; this long_eared rabbit could also lay eggs! The main symbols for Easter are the egg, for new life or beginnings, and the rabbit/hare, for fertility.

Celebrating the Vernal Equinox

While the Vernal Equinox was an important point of passage in the year, the actual method of marking the festival varied from village to village and people to people. Rituals and invocations for abundance in the new crops being planted would often be held during the new moon closest to the Equinox (traditionally a good time to plant). In some places this was also the time when promises were made between lovers for the Handfasting Ceremony that would come at Midsummer.

In a very real sense the ceremony was an expression of hope and trust in the new lives that would blossom in the warmth of summer. Even the latter day celebration (comparatively speaking) of Easter acknowledged the significance of the Vernal Equinox. The Council of Nice decreed in 325 A.D. that Easter was to fall upon the first Sunday after the first full moon on or after the Vernal Equinox. This time of equality between day and night has been, and continues to be, a timekeeper, marking our passage from darkness and cold to warmth and light.

Relationship to Easter

As Christianity spread across Europe and Britain, these older symbols became incorporated into the new faith's holiday of Easter, even the name seems to have been a variant of the Goddess whose festival was originally celebrated with the arrival of spring. The old rites honouring the planting of new seeds, the fertility of the land and its people, and the hope of the new life arising in the world were replaced by solemn displays commemorating Christ and Christian beliefs.

Spring Cleaning

The Vernal Equinox is a time of renewal, both in Nature and in the Home. More than just physical activity, "spring cleaning" removes any negative energy accumulated over the dark winter months and prepares the home for the positive growing energy of spring and summer.

Beltane or Walpurgisnacht: April 30th, Day of lust and indulgence.

Cross Quarter Day May 1 - May Day is closely connected to the evening before it - the "Walpurgisnacht" or May Eve. Its roots can be found in pre-Christian Frühjahrsfests. Walpurgisnacht is situated directly opposite Halloween and is the end marker in the seasonal cycle which begins with Candlemas/Groundhog Day. Children play pranks on unsuspecting victims around midnight on April 30, similar to Halloween, and some even dress up as witches and evil spirits. The Brocken, the highest peak in the Harz Mountains, is known as the mythical meeting place of the witches. Witches' fires may burn in some places. Since noise was deemed the most effective way to drive off evil spirits many ways of making noise are known. On May Day earth spirits like fairies and elves (the ancient

dead) would come out of the hills and barrows to dance on May Eve and well into the summer.

May 1 marks the final victory of Spring over Winter, but before departing, the witches and their cohorts have one last fling. The night from April 30 to May 1 is called "Walpurgisnacht", the night of Walpurgis or Walpurga. The festival is marked by numerous rituals to ward off evil. Legend has it that on Walpurgisnacht the witches would gather on the Brocken, the highest peak in the Harz Mountains. Because of the Walpurgisnacht scene in Goethe's Faust, in which Mephistopheles takes Faust to the Brocken and has him revel with the witches, the witches gathering became widely known.

Under Christian influence Walpurgisnacht became a fest to drive out evil spirits. Walpurgis derives its name from Walpurga or Walburga. Walburga, Abbess of Heidenheim near Eichstätt, a Catholic Saint, was known as the protectoress against witchcraft and sorcery. On the Eve of May 1, bells may toll in some areas and prayers may be said; there may be blessings with holy-water and blessed sprigs can be found in homes and barns. The most widespread remedy against evil spirits during Walpurgisnacht is noise. As soon as the sun sets, boys of all ages may make noise. Their equipment ranges from boards to beat onto the ground to pistols for firing shots.

In Bavaria the night from April 30 to May 1 is called a Freinacht or Drudennacht. For youth it is an opportunity to play tricks. They may stroll in groups through the streets and wind toilet-paper around cars, smear door-handles with tooth-paste, unhinge garden doors and carry them a few meters away, and they may displace shoe scrapers. It is said that at one time boys took a sparred-frame cart to pieces and reassembled it on the roof of the house of the owner.

The festival is marked by numerous rituals to ward off evil. On the eve of May 1st the bells toll in Luxembourg and many prayers are said, there are blessings with holy-water and blessed-palms in the homes and barns. In Schmalkalden in Thueringen the little girls, dressed as Hexen themselves, chase out the Walpermännchen. They wear paper hats and sometimes carry sticks in their hands. Similarly, in the south Harz region, the young boys ride stick-horses and chase the Hexen out of the fields.

The most widespread remedy against evil spirits during Walpurgisnacht is noise. The boys begin making noise as soon as the sun sets. In Bohemia boards are beaten onto the ground in front of the houses, accompanied by this chant: "Hex geh raus, 's brennt dei Haus." Whoever hears a pistol shot on that evening is supposed to say, "Schiess mei Hex a mit!" In Lippe the noise is referred to as "Maiklappen." A lot of noise is especially made in front of the houses of married couples who are childless, because it is believed that it is necessary to "further the blessings."

In the Berner Jura the shephard boys, on the eve of May 1, stand atop the manurepiles and crack whips in order to drive away wolves. The wolf is the incarnation of evil, and symbolizes the departure of winter. The manure-pile symbolizes fertility of the fields and gardens, and therefore is often the locale where prayers are said. Farmers who don't have as many cattle help each other out in the summer. They make a pledge-group, which takes this form in Donaueschingen: they go to a nearby chapel and pray, then they climb together onto a manure-pile, hold hands, and say "Mir (=wir) gmaren miteinand," which means "we are helping each other to bring home hay and grain with our cattle." [i.e. they are sharing each other's manure-piles, which is sprayed onto the fields as fertilizer].

The Summer Solstice: June 21st, Day of Celebrating ones sense of humor.

With the warmth of the season caressing the land, the celebration of the Summer Solstice brings forth a truly joyous recognition that we can now enjoy the fruits of our labors in the past season. It is not surprising that this same spirit of pleasure and fun had carried over into our modern-day recognition of this, the longest day of the year. The Summer Solstice is a time of light and of fire, both in honor of the dominance of the sun.

Dreams

It is said that whatever is dreamed this night will come to pass—certainly Shakespeare acknowledged the magic of this time in A Midsummer Night's Dream. Falling on or about June 22nd, this is a time in which the Moon makes her influence felt on the planet and its inhabitants—the highest tides of the year occur on Midsummer Night's Eye.

The First Harvest

This is the time of the first harvest, which usually consisted of the herbs planted during the Vernal Equinox. Used for food, medicines and ritual, these gifts of the land clearly denote the importance of the harvest and the cycle of growth to the body, mind and soul.

June Weddings

With all the reference to the cycle of life, it is small wonder that June has been the month for both Handfastings (trothing to one another in the Olde Way) and weddings. The pull to bring forth the harvest of feelings is as bountiful as the harvest of the land.

Even today, as we enjoy our summer vacations, we, too, reap the bounty of the past season of labor and renew ourselves to face the coming of fall. The Summer Solstice and Honeymoons

The moon of Midsummer is, in pagan tradition, called the "Honey Moon" from the mead made of fermented honey drunk after the many marriage ceremonies held on the Summer Solstice.

Lughnasad/lammas: July 31st, Day of the celebration of being the predator not prev.

Although in the heat of a Mid-western summer it might be difficult to discern, the festival of Lammas (Aug 1st) marks the end of summer and the beginning of fall. The days now grow visibly shorter and by the time we've reached autumn's end (Oct 31st), we will have run the gamut of temperature from the heat of August to the cold and (sometimes) snow of November. And in the midst of it, a perfect Mid-western autumn.

The history of Lammas is as convoluted as all the rest of the old folk holidays. It is of course a cross-quarter day, one of the four High Holidays or Greater Sabbats of Witchcraft, occurring 1/4 of a year after Beltane. It's true astrological point is 15 degrees Leo, which occurs at 1:18 am CDT, Aug 6th this year (1988), but tradition has set August 1st as the day Lammas is typically celebrated. The celebration proper would begin on sundown of the previous evening, our July 31st, since the Celts reckon their days from sundown to sundown.

However, British Witches often refer to the astrological date of Aug 6th as Old Lammas, and folklorists call it Lammas O.S. ("Old Style"). This date has long been considered a "power point" of the Zodiac, and is symbolized by the Lion, one of the "tetramorph" figures found on the Tarot cards, the World and the Wheel of Fortune (the other three figures being the Bull, the Eagle, and the Spirit). Astrologers know these four figures as the symbols of the four "fixed" signs of the Zodiac, and these naturally align with the four Great Sabbats of Witchcraft. Christians have adopted the same iconography to represent the four gospel-writers.

"Lammas" was the medieval Christian name for the holiday and it means "loafmass", for this was the day on which loaves of bread were baked from the first grain harvest and laid on the church altars as offerings. It was a day representative of "first fruits" and early harvest.

In Irish Gaelic, the feast was referred to as "Lugnasadh", a feast to commemorate the funeral games of the Irish sun-god Lugh. However, there is some confusion on this point. Although at first glance, it may seem that we are celebrating the death of the Lugh, the god of light does not really die (mythically) until the autumnal equinox. And indeed, if we read the Irish myths closer, we discover that it is not Lugh's death that is being celebrated, but the funeral games which Lugh hosted to commemorate the death of his foster- mother, Taillte. That is why the Lugnasadh celebrations in Ireland are often called the "Tailltean Games".

One common feature of the Games were the "Tailltean marriages", a rather informal marriage that lasted for only "a year and a day" or until next Lammas. At that time, the couple could decide to continue the arrangement if it pleased them, or to stand back to back and walk away from one another, thus bringing the Tailltean marriage to a formal close. Such trial marriages (obviously related to the Wiccan "Handfasting") were quite common even into the 1500's, although it was something one "didn't bother the parish priest about". Indeed, such ceremonies were usually solemnized by a poet, bard, or shanachie (or, it may be guessed, by a priest or priestess of the Old Religion).

Lammastide was also the traditional time of year for craft festivals. The medieval guilds would create elaborate displays of their wares, decorating their shops and themselves in bright colors and ribbons, marching in parades, and performing strange, ceremonial plays and dances for the entranced onlookers. The atmosphere must have been quite similar to our modern-day Renaissance Festivals, such as the one celebrated in nearby Bonner Springs, Kansas, each fall.

A ceremonial highlight of such festivals was the "Catherine wheel". Although the Roman Church moved St. Catherine's feast day all around the calender with bewildering frequency, it's most popular date was Lammas. (They also kept trying to expel this much-loved saint from the ranks of the blessed because she was mythical rather than historical, and because her worship gave rise to the heretical sect known as the Cathari.) At any rate, a large wagon wheel was taken to the top of a near-by hill, covered with tar, set aflame, and ceremoniously rolled down the hill. Some mythologists see in this ritual the remnants of a Pagan rite symbolizing the end of summer, the flaming disk representing the sun-god in his decline. And just as the sun king has now reached the autumn of his years, his rival or dark self has just reached puberty.

Many commentators have bewailed the fact that traditional Gardnerian and Alexandrian Books of Shadows say very little about the holiday of Lammas, stating only that poles should be ridden and a circle dance performed. This seems strange, for Lammas is a holiday of rich mythic and cultural associations, providing endless resources for liturgical celebration.

The Autumn Equinox: September 21st, Time to reflect on ones self.

As with the Vernal Equinox, the Autumnal or Fall Equinox, also known as Mabon to those who follow the Olde Way, is the time when day and night are equal. Here the land is full of the gifts of nature and the effort of humankind.

The night air has a tang about it, the darkness of winter is coming and it's time for the earth to sleep until the sun is again brought forth from the dark.

The Second Harvest

In the ancient cycle of the year, this was actually the second harvest; the first harvest festival occurs on August 1st and is known as Lammas. As methods of agriculture became more uniform and sophisticated, the autumn harvest was moved back until the last possible growing time was completed to maximize its size. As such, the Autumnal Equinox became synonymous with not only the completion of the harvest, but also the end of summer.

Relationship to Thanksgiving

This final gathering of the crops and the beginning of preparations for the long winter that lay ahead marked a time of thanksgiving for all that Nature had given her children and for the completion of another turn of the Great Wheel.

Although an essential part of human life, celebrating the bounty of the harvest would not appear in the post_Christian era until the late 1500s and early 1600s by those individuals whom history would later call "Pilgrims". Gateway to Winter The Autumnal Equinox marks the beginning of shorter days and longer nights. We gather with friends to strengthen our spirits in preparation for the passage into Winter. But it is a time of thanksgiving, for on the other side of that dark Winter is Spring.

Mabon, much like the modern day Thanksgiving, was a time for feasting, celebrating the good fortune of the previous year and preparing for the long months of winter that were ahead.

All Hollows Eve or Halloween or SamHain: October 31st, The Fire festival, the time to settle the score with destruction rituals, curses, and Revenge.

Halloween (Allhallows Even) was observed by some churches with religious services. However, most persons regarded it as a secular festival. In its strictly religious aspect, it is known as the vigil of Hallowmas or All Saints' Day, observed on November 1 by the Roman Catholic and Anglican churches.

The festival of Halloween is based on a combination of the Christian commemoration of the departed faithful (All Saints' Day) with the pre-Christian Celtic feast associated with a celebration of the end of summer and the Celtic New Year. Celts who lived in what is now known as Ireland, Scotland and parts of Great Britain celebrated their new year that began November 1. Allhallows' Even was observed on the evening of October 31st. Around 800 A.D., the day became known among Christians as Allhallomas which eventually changed to All Hallow E'en, or Halloween.

Celtic peoples adopted Christianity quickly, easily, and strongly. The conversion of Celtic peoples did not, however, keep them from celebrating some of their old customs. Attempts to replace the year-end custom in the old Celtic calendar were only partially successful. Some of our Halloween traditions date back to these early times.

Summer's end and the celebration of a good harvest has always been an important event in the life of agrarian peoples. Samhain "Hallowday" or Samfuin (sam + fuin) summer's end, marked the end of the yearly cycle and was celebrated with both religious and agrarian rites. It was the period for threshing and of food preparation for the winter season. On that evening, so it was believed, present, past, and future became one. Celts gave thanks for the safe return of their cattle to winter quarters, and invoked their gods for prosperity and good crops for the coming year.

Samhain was both the "end of summer" and a commemoration of the dead. The spirits of the departed were believed to visit their kinsmen in search of warmth and good cheer as winter approached. It was a time when evil, as well as good, spirits returned to the living. Fairies were believed to migrate from one home to another, and Hallowe'en was the time when humans kidnapped by elfin folk could reclaim their lost loves or relatives.

Jack-O'-Lanterns were scooped out of turnips with skull-like faces carved into them. This may reflect the ancient custom of placing skulls around the tribal fire to keep evil demons away. Bobbing for apples is a relic of the "Ordeal by Water," signifying the passage of the soul to the hereafter over the waters separating them. To encourage fertility, the Halloween cat, the black cat, became a familiar symbol of Halloween. Some believed that if you held a mirror and ate an apple at the same time, you would see the reflection of your future mate in the mirror.

Immigrants from Ireland, Scotland and England, brought secular Halloween customs to the U.S. but the festival did not become popular until the latter part of the 19th century, at the time of the mass immigration from Ireland after 1840. Halloween grew and changed over the years, with people, including those of other ethnic groups, adding (or subtracting) things from it. The association with ghosts and spirits goes back to older pagan customs. Germans took to celebrating Halloween with gusto. For them dressing up reminded them of "Fasnacht," "Karneval" and "Fasching" in the old country with masks and costumes; and witches and black cats reminded them of Walpurgisnacht and of fairy tales like "Hansel and Gretel."

Witches entered Halloween in the 19th century. One of the most important witches Sabbaths was held on Halloween. Witches were alleged to fly to these meetings on broomsticks, accompanied by black cats, who were their constant companions. Magical rites and ceremonies were performed by witches from all over the region at a sacred spot.

It is to the role of the witches in Halloween that Germans could relate especially well. The most famous sacred spot for witches was in the Harz* mountain region of Germany. Until the 18th century, maps of Germany showed witches hovering over this spot, the Blocksberg/Brocken. For Germans Halloween blended with the "Walpurgisnacht," and the Witches Sabbath on the night leading into May 1st. On that day, bonfires, the Maifeuer (May fires) are burnt in the old country, to drive away the witches and the horned god, the devil.

Halloween, as we know it in America, with all the folk stories and urban legends, is a distinctly American phenomenon, with the "Trick or Treat"-bit appearing after 1930. The "trick or treat"-custom resembles an old Irish practice associated with Halloween Eve. Groups of peasants went from house to house demanding food and other gifts in preparation for the evening's festivities. Prosperity was assured for the liberal donors and threats were made against the stingy ones. A similar custom was practiced, and still is in some areas, by Germans. Knocking on doors for food and drink is practiced during the Karneval Season or at New Years. Best known is the custom of the Star Singers on Epiphany, carolers going from door to door, singing and collecting for poor relief or overseas missions.

Pranks such as wandering groups of celebrants blocking doors of houses, carrying away gates and plows, tapping on windows and throwing vegetables at doors (corn candy), also struck a familiar note. In rural areas and small towns, especially of Bavaria and Austria, tricks and pranks are to this day practiced in such customs as "stealing the Maibaum" in Bavaria.

The U.S.-style Halloween was returned by the Irish and the Scots to the countries of origin and became popular in England since the late 1960s with one exception, "Trick or Treat," even the phrase was not then used (although it seems to become used now). Nor was it accepted that failure to offer a "treat" was grounds for trickery, pranks and even yandalism.

Halloween has also entered Germany. It is celebrated at Burg Frankenstein where a connection between the castle and Mary Shelley's novel has been established. (See "In Search Of Frankenstein" by Radu Florescu, Robson Books Ltd. London; and "Burg Frankenstein - Mythen, Märchen und das Monster" by Walter Scheele, Fouque-Verlag, Egelsbach).

Today some families and even parishes hold group celebrations, often with costumes of the saints, poor souls or famous Catholics and other elements, to reinforce the Christian side of Halloween's origins.

The tendency to manipulate (often for commercial gain) rather than to celebrate folk festivals reflects the growing influence of a rational outlook on life and the progressive loss of folk vitality. The secular character of American culture is reflected as well in the public neglect of the religious significance of Halloween. Only the children with their costumes, masks and the "trick or treat" custom, keep the spooky and irrational-even if only pretending--from becoming another casualty of modernity.

Witches and black cats, ghosts and Frankensteins, ghosts' heads carved from pumpkins, candles, bobbing for apples, the "trick or treat" custom, candy and food, masks, parties and innocent little pranks also express joy in the present and the life-giving harvest that ensured the future.

Cider, Lemon juice, cinnamon sticks and other herbs will make a wonderful treat. For a bewitching cold or hot cider brew add chunks of dry ice to the cider, after mixing it with cold water. The mixture will bubble and steam and provide a delicious spooky treat.

"Chiller," a spooky album from Erich Kunzel with the Cincinnati Pops Orchestra is available as a CD from Musical Heritage with selections from Lloyd-Webber: The Phantom of the Opera, Mussorgsky: Night on Bald Mountain; Berlioz: The Damnation of Faust; Waxman: The Bride of Frankenstein; Goldsmith: Poltergeist and much more, including digital sound effects.

The Harz Mountains, 2,000 square kilometers of untouched nature, with woods, wild romantic valleys, bizarre caves, quiet streams and roaring waterfalls that inspired famous poets, such as Goethe and Heine it is an area with sagas and legends shrouded in mystery.

Notorious creatures live on the Brocken peak - witches. In Germanic history, witches were once women or goddesses of the woods, later priestesses, female doctors and marvelous women of the night who were first worshipped, then gazed at timidly and

finally damned. In the Harz mountains the night of the witches, the "Walpurgisnacht," is a big event. In popular Christian beliefs, the Walpurgis night belongs to the witches and women who can perform magic. It falls on the eve of May 1, the feast day of St. Walpurga. She came to Germany from England in the 8th century to spread the Christian word and performed many miracles. According to popular beliefs, St. Walpurga is pursued by mean spirits, demons and witches riding on brooms in the Walpurgis night. Anyone who helps her shall be rewarded with gold, the tale goes. In the Harz mountains the Walpurgis night is always a happy festival. Witches with pointed noses and hats, with twig brooms between their legs and wearing a colorful scarf around their necks hang in the streets. In the Harz villages, especially those near the Brocken, people have a good time celebrating.

ALLERHEILIGEN AND ALLERSEELEN

Days remembering and commemorating the dead have been observed by peoples all over the world. In the northern countries, as days grew shorter and nights longer and as the year wound down, it became a time to focus on the mystery of human death. Especially in Germany there are, in November, many commemorations of the dead. Allerheiligen (All Saints) and Allerseelen (All Souls) are celebrated in Catholic areas at the beginning of November. November 9 is the commemoration of the Kristallnacht (crystal night) pogrom. On the 3rd Sunday in November the German Volkstrauertag (Memorial Day) is observed. On the last Sunday before Advent is Totensonntag (Sunday of the Dead) when Protestant Christians remember their dead. It corresponds to the Catholic All Souls Day. On the Wednesday before, the original Protestant "Buss- und Bettag" (Day of Repentance and Prayer) takes place. The last Sunday before Advent is also the last Sunday of the Church Year. The new Church Year is ushered in with Advent and the expectation of Christmas.

All Saints/All Souls became focal points of veneration of the dead ever since Pope Gregory in 835 initiated the church wide celebration. Dates still fluctuate somewhat. In Bavaria and Austria the time between October 30 through November 8 is celebrated as "Seelenwoche" (All Souls Week). Hallowtide is a time to remember and honor the dead, and it is a time when the "veil between the worlds," this world and the next, is "thinner" than normally.

By the end of the middle ages, the celebration of Allhallows Eve was an established part of the calendar of the Roman Catholic Church. However, after the Reformation, Protestants rejected Halloween and did not recognize All Saints' Day and All Souls' Day, because of strict adherence to the Ten Commandments, among which honoring the dead is not mentioned. Good deeds should not be carried out for the dead, but for the living. However, the Lutheran Church was not able to keep people from their need to commemorate their dead. Thus "Totensonntag" (Sunday of the Dead) was initiated, to be celebrated by Protestants on the Sunday before the first Sunday in Advent.

Allerheiligen/All Saint's Day was at first celebrated to honor all martyrs, later including all saints, known and unknown, and it now honors all those who died in the faith. The Catholic calendar is filled with names of saints and martyrs on the day when

they died for their faith in Jesus Christ. Some were celebrated locally by observing the anniversary of their death, as a feast in honor of their birth into eternal life. The preservation of relics was a wide-spread custom. Devout Catholics would take the name of the saint on whose feast they were baptized and would celebrate their nameday every year. Over the centuries, as saints were added, a need for a common feast of all saints was becoming evident. It was first introduced in 610, when on May 13, Pope Boniface IV consecrated the ancient Roman Pantheon as a temple of the Blessed Virgin and All Martyrs ("Sancta Maria ad martyres"). Beginning with Gregory III the celebration of a feast of All Saints was commemorated at St. Peters on November 1. In 835 Pope Gregory IV extended this feast to the entire Church.

The feast of Allerseelen/All Souls developed more gradually, first with a monastic celebration of the departed at the French Monastery of Cluny in 998, it was then expanded to other monasteries, orders and dioceses. It was especially for the "Armen Seelen" those poor souls who were still in purgatory and had not yet reached their full communion with God.

Beginning in the 14th century it was celebrated just one day later, on November 2. Because All Souls' Day confronted people with death and their deceased relatives, All Saints' Day lost much of its earlier radiance. Requiem masses, cemetery processions, decorated graves with flowers and wreaths, alms and good deeds, were intended to shorten the time of suffering of the souls of the deceased in purgatory.

All Saints/All Souls over time became a celebration of the community and the extended family. All dead of a village will congregate for the "Geistermesse." All living members of a family try to return to their native village. In procession one moves to the graveyard and the graves, decorated and lighted with small lamps. The custom of decorating the graves makes the symbolic connection between the graveyard "Gottesacker" and the Garden of Eden, the lost paradise, where Adam and Eve were placed at creation. Now, the souls of the ancestors are to rediscover paradise after the difficult path through purgatory. Placing candles on the grave goes back to the idea that light is necessary for illumination and to see God.

In Catholic Austria at noon on All Saints' Day there may be a whole hour of "Schidungsläuten" or "Seelenausläuten." The souls are released until in the morning after All Souls the bells give the sign for parting. The customs in Austria are determined by a belief in a bodily presence. At All Saints/All Souls the departed are everywhere, in the dark, above the graves of the cemetery, on the paths in the fields, they travel in the wind and can be in frogs and toads. They are in church and walk alongside the living and sit at the table at meal time.

Frequently donations of food will be given to the poor or to children. The children receive gifts from the god parents or walk around the village in "Heischeumzügen" (asking for a small gift) with an All Souls song.

In Germany Allerheiligen/All Saint's Day on November 1 is an official holiday. People visit and spruce up the graves of their loved ones, and to bring a flower

arrangement, a heart, wreath or cross made of evergreens and pines. German graves are planted with evergreens and flowers all year round. In 1993 the author of this participated in the All Saints/All Souls celebration in a small village in Bavaria. In the "Allerheiligen Gottesdienst" (church service), the sermon dealt with "all saints," all those, past and present who live a godly life. Family members, living out of town returned to the village. At noon there was a big family dinner followed by a procession to the cemetery. In the afternoon another family gathering took place at home for "Kaffee und Kuchen." On the next morning, All Souls' Day, there was a church service and prayers for the dead.

All Saints'/All Souls' Day services as serious Christian observations are limited to the Catholic Church in America and hence are barely-- if at all--noticed by the general public. Their exclusive religious character doesn't permit secularization/commercialization.

On All Saints/All Souls at St. Joseph's Church in Jasper, Indiana, there is a Mass and, weather permitting, a procession from the church all around the cemetery. In the middle of the cemetery at the cross, there is a prayer, and the choir sings special songs for the holy souls. People who can get off work come to Mass. There is a book at the church where the names of the deceased are entered. During the service someone from the deceased's family comes to the altar and in rotation goes to the rostrum and tells that person's name. This is done to remember those members of the parish who have died through the year.

There are also individual visits to the graves, and there is a bottle of holy water to sprinkle on the graves. Everyone goes to decorate the graves on All Souls Day and on Memorial Day. If real flowers are used, graves are decorated in the morning before the procession or the day before. With artificial flowers the grave can be decorated earlier.

Samhain

The ancient Celts divided the year into four quarters: Samhain (the winter quarter), Imbole (the spring quarter), Beltane (the summer quarter), and Lughnasadh (the autumn quarter). Unlike the Gregorian calendar, the Celtic year began in November, with Samhain. The Celts were influenced mostly by the lunar and stellar cycles that ruled the agricultural year - which begins and ends in late autumn when the crops have been harvested and the soil is prepared for the winter.

Samhain not only marks the beginning of the Winter Quarter -it also marks the beginning of the dark half of the year.

Literally, it means "summer's end". The ancient, wandering Celts marked their ceremonies by the stars and it is believed that the Celtic "day" began at sunset, thereby reinforcing the influence the moon and stars had on the culture. Hence, the Celtic New Year celebration would begin each year on the Eve of November 1st. The atmosphere of the eve of Samhain is one of introspection and ancestral communion. The Celts believed that the doorway between this world and the otherworld was especially thin on the eve of Samhain. During this time, it was believed that fairies and the spirits of those who have died were able to come back to our realm and trick humans into getting entrapped in the

fairy mounds where they would be lost forever. Sometimes people got into the spirit of things by playing tricks on each other as well.

When the Roman Empire reached Celtic lands, they added their own feast of the dead to Samhain. The Christians reassigned the meaning of Samhain to honor the saints, as All Saint's Day on November 1st. They also named October 31 as All Hollow's Eve. Although using different nomenclatures, all of these festivals and feasts are celebrating the accessibility, veneration, awe, and respect of the dead.

Many of our modern-day Halloween traditions have their roots in these ancient rituals. In order to ward off spirits, candles were placed in hollowed-out and carved turnips, the forerunner of our (pumpkin) jack-o-lanterns. The carvings were to scare away spirits that might mean you harm, while the candle's flame would invite those spirits that know you to come closer. The wearing of costumes or donning clothing of the opposite sex was a popular means of tricking the spirits as well. A few rituals have contributed to the fun of trick or treating. The custom of "soul-caking" was when children would go from door to door around the village, begging for cakes and in return would pray for the souls of the dearly departed. It was also believed that this was not a night to be alone, so villagers would go door to door collecting food for a community feast. In the center of the Celtic Otherworld is an apple tree of magical powers. Old stories tell of crossing the sea to reach the magical apple tree- this could be the origin of our Halloween tradition of bobbing for apples.

The Celts believed in a cyclical timeline, wherein the ending is also a beginning and the night of Samhain, All Hallow's Eve, exists on a point outside of normal time. Divination and superstitions are part and parcel of Samhain, with many rituals existing to tell the future. With so much mysticism shrouding the festival, Samhain - or Halloween - remains one of our magical holidays that still incorporates the ancient flavor of its origins. Happy New Year!

The Winter Solstice: December 21st, The Celebration of being self-amancipated.

Winter Solstice, or Yule, is held on or around December 22nd. It marks the shortest day of the year (in the Northern Hemisphere) and is an important holiday to those who follow the old ways.

To the ancients, it appeared as if the Sun and Moon stopped in their flight across the sky—this is the longest night of the year and was a time of both anticipation and rejoicing at the Sun's rebirth out of the Goddess.

The Sun's representation as the male divinity, or celestial ruler, predates Christianity. As with other rituals and celebrations, the Church felt that by assimilating this holiday into the Christian beliefs, it would help convert those who still followed the Olde Way.

Definition of Solstice

Solstice derives from an ancient Latin word meaning "stop," or "to stand still." According to Webster's New Collegiate Dictionary, it refers to one of two points when the sun is furthest from the celestial equator.

Relationship to Christmas

The selection of December 25th as a Christian holiday was first recorded in scholarly texts dating to 325 A.D., although the actual practice was first decreed in 274 A.D. by the Emperor Aurelian. Since the non-Christians viewed this time as the rebirth of the sun, it made sense for the Church to also mark this period as the celebration of the nativity of Christ. Curiously, the selection of the day appears arbitrary although mankind had long known how to calculate the solstices. One can only guess that, rather than shift the celebration each year, a regularly scheduled event was preferable—the old Roman desire for order never quite left the new faith.

The Winter Solstice marks a crucial part of the natural cycle. In a real sense, the sun begins anew its journey toward longer days, Symbols of the Solstice. The Yule Log, candles and mistletoe . . . what are the origins of these Symbols of the Solstice? Times of new growth and renewal of the world once again. In a spiritual sense, it is a reminder that in order for a new path to begin, the old one must end and that spring will come again.

Burning the Yule Log

The term Yule stems from the Anglo-Saxon "yula" or "wheel" of the year. In ancient pagan ritual, the Yule Log was lit on the eve of Winter Solstice and burned for twelve hours. Later, the Log was replaced by the Yule Tree, but instead of being burned, it was adorned with burning candles.

Imbolc or Candlemas: January 31st, Day of indulgence and fertility.

In the U.S. it is known as Groundhog Day. In Catholic tradition February 2 is Candlemas Day (Maria Lichtmess), the feast day commemorating the purification of the Virgin Mary and the presentation of Jesus in the Temple at Jerusalem. It is named after the candle light procession which precedes the mass. Candles are also blessed on this day.

Since the celebration of the winter solstice, by Candlemas, the sun has gained one whole hour. In the Black Forest the spinning wheel would now be put aside: "Lichtmess, Spinnen vergess, by Tag zu Nacht ess" (Candlemas, forget spinning, eat supper by daylight).

Sunny weather in early February is a bad omen for the arrival of Spring and German sayings abound: "Wenn's an Lichtmess stürmt und schneit, ist der Frühling nicht mehr weit; ist es aber klar und hell, kommt der Lenz noch nicht so schnell" (When it storms and snows on Candlemas Day, Spring is not far away; if it's bright and clear, Spring is not yet near).

The groundhog forecast is based on a German tradition brought to Pennsylvania in

1887. "Wenn der Bäzu Lichtmess seinen Schatten sieht, so kriecht er wieder auf sechs Wochen ins Loch" (When the bear sees his shadow at Candlemas, he will crawl back into his hole for another six weeks.) The bear has been replaced by the badger (Dachs) or hedgehog (Igel) and in the U.S. by the groundhog (woodchuck, a species of marmot).

The official forecast for the arrival of Spring is given by Punxsutawney Phil from his heated burrow (lodge) at Punxsutawney, Pennsylvania. In 1993, after a nose-to-nose chat with the president of his Inner Circle, the town group that actually determines the prediction, days before the big event, "Phil" declared: "six more weeks of winter there'll be;" he had seen his shadow.

Imbolc

Pronounced "IM_bulk" or "EM_bowlk", also called Oimealg, "IM_mol'g, by the Druids, is the festival of the lactating sheep. It is derived from the Gaelic word "oimelc" which means "ewes milk". Herd animals have either given birth to the first offspring of the year or their wombs are swollen and the milk of life is flowing into their teats and udders. It is the time of Blessing of the seeds and consecration of agricultural tools. It marks the center point of the dark half of the year. It is the festival of the Maiden, for from this day to March 21st, it is her season to prepare for growth and renewal. Brighid's snake emerges from the womb of the Earth Mother to test the weather, (the origin of Ground Hog Day), and in many places the first Crocus flowers began to spring forth from the frozen earth.

The Maiden is honoured, as the Bride, on this Sabbat. Straw Brideo'gas (corn dollies) are created from oat or wheat straw and placed in baskets with white flower bedding. Young girls then carry the Brideo'gas door to door, and gifts are bestowed upon the image from each household. Afterwards at the traditional feast, the older women make special acorn wands for the dollies to hold, and in the morning the ashes in the hearth are examined to see if the magic wands left marks as a good omen. Brighid's Crosses are fashioned from wheat stalks and exchanged as symbols of protection and prosperity in the coming year. Home hearth fires are put out and re_lit, and a besom is place by the front door to symbolize sweeping out the old and welcoming the new. Candles are lit and placed in each room of the house to honour the re_birth of the Sun.

Another traditional symbol of Imbolc is the plough. In some areas, this is the first day of ploughing in preparation of the first planting of crops. A decorated plough is dragged from door to door, with costumed children following asking for food, drinks, or money. Should they be refused, the household is paid back by having its front garden ploughed up. In other areas, the plough is decorated and then Whiskey, the "water of life" is poured over it. Pieces of cheese and bread are left by the plough and in the newly turned furrows as offerings to the nature spirits. It is considered taboo to cut or pick plants during this time.

Various other names for this Greater Sabbat are Imbolge Brigantia (Caledonni), Imbolic (Celtic), Disting (Teutonic, Feb 14th), Lupercus (Strega), St. Bridget's Day (Christian), Candlemas, Candlelaria (Mexican), the Snowdrop Festival. The Festival of Lights, or the Feast of the Virgin. All Virgin and Maiden Goddesses are honoured at this

time.

Activities of Imbole: Candle Lighting, Stone Gatherings, Snow Hiking and Searching for Signs of Spring, Making of Brideo'gas and Bride's Beds, Making Priapic Wands, Decorating Ploughs, Feasting, and Bon Fires maybe lit.

Your Birthday when ever it is, Celebration of your birth and a celebration of life and your accomplishments.

As everyones birthday is unique as your own birth of individuality, unfortunately we cannot place any history on birthdays, since it is yours and yours alone! Celebrate this day as if it were your last. And enjoy it with whatever makes you happy!

*Important Holidays

Your Own Birthday - Why not celebrate the most important day of YOUR life, If it were not for your own birthday you would not be here.

The Birthday of a Loved One or Family Member - If it were not for them and their contributions to your life, you would be alone and not as rich with experiences.

NOTE: Since none of the authors list the correct celebration days, their knowledge of this and of other aspects of Satanism is highly suspect. From the list of holidays listed below we see:

- None of the authors list the correct number (3) of holidays.
- None of the authors list all of the names correctly.
- Many authors have simply taken Wiccan holidays and attributed them to Satanists
 - Most writers can only agree on Halloween as one of the ritual days.
- Roman Catholic writers link Satanic holidays to Roman Catholic holy days; Protestant authors link them to Protestant holy days.
 - There is no agreement as to which seasonal celebrations are the most important.
 - There is no agreement concerning the day of the week for regular meetings.
- Many authors appear to be copying dates from other conservative Protestant or Roman Catholic books or from common sources.

Fixed Ritual Days

Jan. 01 No name (SA)

Jan. 07 St. Winebald Day (DA, SA, EE)

Jan. 13 Satanic New Year (S1; Note 1)

Jan. 17 Satanic Revels (DA, SA, EE)

Feb. 01 Olmelc (S2)

Feb. 02 Candlemas, Satanic Revels (HS, DA (Note 2), SA, EE)

Feb. 25 St. Walpurgis Day (DA, SA, EE)

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Mar. 01 St. Eichatadt (DA, EE)
Mar. 20 Equinox Feast Day (DA, EE)
Mar. 21 Spring Equinox (S2, DA, SA)
Apr. 21 to 26 Preparation for the Sacrifice (DA)
Apr. 21 to 29 Preparation time for sacrifice (SA)
Apr. 26 Grand Climax (EE)
Apr. 30 Beltane (NA, SS, SA, DA)
Apr. 30 Walpurgisnacht (SS, S2, NS)
Apr. 30 Solstice (UH, TH; Note 3)
May 01 Grand Climax (DA; Note 2)
May 01 Initiation Night (AS)
May 01 Beltane fertility festival (S2)
Jun. 20 No name (SA)
Jun. 21 Feast Day (DA)
Jun. 22 Solstice 1, Summer Solstice (NA, UH, S2, DA, EE)
Jun. 23 No name (SA)
Jul. 01 Demon Revels (DA, SA, EE)
Jul. 25 No name (SA)
Jul. 26 No name (SA)
Jul. 31 Lammas (HS)
Aug. 01 Lammas (SA, DA)
Aug. 01 Festival of First Fruits (S2)
Aug. 03 Satanic Revels (DA; Note 2, SA, EE)
Aug. 24 No name (SA)
Sep. 07 Marriage to Beast Satan (DA, SA, RR)
Sep. 19 No name (LL)
Sep. 20 Midnight Host (DA, SA, EE)
Sep. 20 to 23 Autumn Equinox (NS)
Sep. 21 Autumn Equinox (DA)
Sep. 22 Equinox Feast Day (DA, SA, EE)
Sep. 23 Fall Equinox (S2)
Oct. 13 Continuous High Holiday (SA; Note 4)
Oct. 29 All Hallows Eve (DA, SA; Note 5)
Oct. 31 Halloween (NA, SS, HS, HC, SA, S1, S2,DA)
Nov. 01 Halloween (EE)
Nov. 04 Satanic Revels (DA, EE)
Dec. 21 No name (SA)
Dec. 22 Solstice 2, Winter Solstice (NA, UH, S2, DA)
Dec. 22 Solstice Feast Day (DA, EE)
Dec. 24 Demon Revels (DA, SA)
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Notes:

- 1. 13th day of the year
- 2. Listed by Viser (DA) as the most important holidays

Dec. 24 Grand High Climax (EE) Dec. 25 Christmas (HC, MR, NS)

- 3. No solstice can occur in April
- 4. Continues to Nov. 4
- 5. Continues to Nov. 1

Movable Ritual Days

Easter Weekend (HC)
Easter Sunday (MR)
Good Friday (SA)
US Thanksgiving (HC)
Ash Wednesday (MR)
Ascension (MR)
Pentecost (MR)
Corpus Christi (MR)
1st Sun. of Advent (MR)

Periodic Meetings

Every 2nd Saturday at 11 PM (MR) Every Friday night(S1) Every 3rd Thursday (S2) At full moons (TS) On the Satanist's birthday (UH, DA, EE) An actual Satanic day Year 2009; year-long Feast of the Beast (EE)

In the above list, codes have been used to refer to the following books:

DA: The Darkness Among Us by William Viser, (Broadman & Holman 1993), P. 134

EE: The Edge of Evil, by Jerry Johnston, (Word, 1989), P. 211

HC: He Came to Set the Captives Free by Rebecca Brown, (Wittaker House 1992), P. 69

HS: "Halloween and Satanism by Philips and Roibie (Starburst 1987) P. 146
MR: Michelle Remembers by Michelle Smith & Lawrence Pazder, (Simon & Schuster, 1980)

NA: "New Age, The Occult, and Lion Country by Nelson Price (Power Books 1989). Page 76

NS: The New Satanists, by Linda Blood (Warner, 1994) P. 57, 216

S1: Satanism by Ted Schwarz & Duane Empey (Zondervan 1988), Page 41 SA: A handout of unknown origin supplied by a local Sexual Assault Centre

SS: Schemes of Satan by Mike Warnke (Victory House, 1991), P. 132

S2: Satanism by Bob Larson, (Nelson, 1989), P. 107

TH: At the Heart of Darkness by John Parker, (Pan, 1993), P. 256

TS: The Satan Seller by Mike Warnke (Bridge, 1972) P. 35, etc

UH: Undated handout distributed at a seminar given in Dunkirk NY by Detective Paul Hart and quoted in the book In Pursuit of Satan by R.D. Hicks (Prometheus Books, 1990)

The Dictionary of Cults, Sects, Religions and the Occult quotes the Satanic Bible as listing the main Satanic holidays as Walpurgisnacht (30-APR), Halloween (31-OCT), and the individual's birthday.

Christian authors have written dozens of anti-Satanic books and propaganda with lists of supposed Satanic Ritual Days. According to the Ontario Consultants for Religious Tolerance, in some cases the authors appear to create information out of thin air, or copy the works of other conservative Christian writers. Few, if any, appear to have any direct knowledge of Satanism and all show a general lack of familiarization with the religion.

For instance, in The Edge of Evil "Grand High Climax" is said to be a major holiday celebrated by Satanists on December 24. Evangelical Christian author Jerry Johnston says in this book that it is a celebration meant to juxtapose the Christian holiday of Christmas Eve, when the birth of Jesus Christ is celebrated. He claims that Grand High Climax is traditionally celebrated with a Black Mass, followed by great excesses of food, drink, sex, and merriment, but a rite called "Grand High Climax", and the details of the activities involved, is not a rite acknowledged by the Satanic Chapel or any other Satanic organization, but is part of the Satanic panic and beliefs about the Witches' Sabbath.

LIBER OF BELIAL

The Oath of Fealty
I bind my blood in Satan's hands,
All this that lieth betwixt my hands,
To thee, the Beast, and thy control,
I pledge me; body, mind, and soul.
(Aleister Crowley, Satanic Extracts, 1991)

RITUAL INSTRUCTIONS AND OTHER IMPORTANT TEACHINGS

[Here you will find all of the instructions you will need to get started. This is very important! The methods I teach are ones that are standard in any Church of Satan grotto because yes I was a member. The Satanic Bible, while essential reading for any Satanist, is NOT the final word on Satanism. The techniques I have given you are what was standard practice in all the grottos in the past.]

The best way you can understand the rituals is to read The Satanic Bible for yourself. Anton LaVey throughout the Bible provides the evidence that Satanism is much more than a mere philosophy; it is a way of life that includes dogmatic, emotional and ritualistic components that Humanism or philosophy does not and that only a religion can contain.

There is a basic need in Man for ritual, dogma and Command-obedience, and the Rituals supply this. Unlike the rituals of other religions, the point is self expression, the weaning away of taboo's and mental barriers, rather than indoctrination, suppression or nurturing guilt complexes.

Before any ritual work is approached in any real depth. Practicing the meditation and visualization exercises is essential, for without some mastery of these principles all further work whether it be Ritual work or other forms of Mentalism and control of the Astral plane would be fruitless. A word to the wise: meditation and visualization are not options, but must be mastered if further progress upon the magickal path is to occur.

We will now look at four principles that need to be worked on. These four principles are known as 'The Pyramid of Magick'. Although they will be looked at separately, there is a good deal of overlap as all four, when it comes to the performance of any Magick, will be brought into play simultaneously. The four principles are, Imagination, Will, Faith, and secrecy.

1. Imagination. It would not be to much of an exaggeration to say that all people that are drawn to the Black Arts, have the quality of an active imagination. It is the ability to conjure to the minds eye sights and images to excite and indulge the desires of the Sorcerer. It is through the ability of indulging in ones individual desires of the imagination that the Magician will look through when casting forth the desires of the Magickal will. The Magician should surround themselves with those things which stimulate this faculty, Bizarre prints, statues, books, music etc. Anything which gets the 'Dark Juices' flowing .Most traditions of Magick will give you set examples of how you should construct your personal temple. I was taught

however that one should decorate their private working space according to what turns them on rather than having for example, a temple furnished according to a preset traditional format given in a book. Not to say that you cannot have representations of Deity's or the four elements etc, but rather construct your magickal working space according to what excites and turns your Magickal juices on. Bottom line here is to consciously give your imagination free reign to express itself in whatever way is pleasing to you.

- 2. Will. The lessons on Meditation and visualization will go a long way in developing a strong Magickal will, essential for the performance of effective workings. Will is the medium through which the emotions are evoked and channelled through your imagination. In your day to day life it is important to develop a strong and powerful will. Ways of doing this apart from Meditation and visualization exercises include asserting yourself in situations, where maybe before you allowed yourself to go along with something you did not agree with. Also of use is committing yourself to activity's such as the meditation and visualization exercises, without making excuses and breaking your oath to yourself in respect to your commitment to doing them. Of course do not make promises to yourself or others that you cannot keep, this will damage the strong will you are seeking to develop. A Magicians word is a Magicians word, it is not to be taken lightly. if you commit yourself to the process of developing your Magickal will you will find many opportunities in your day to day life to strengthen it.
- 3. Faith. This may seem a strange concept to many of you on the LHP, but we are not speaking here of religious faith, but rather faith in ones own Magickal abilities. Never, I repeat never, try willing anything that deep down you are convinced is not possible. To do so you risk your work failing, this will prove to be a serious blow to your faith in yourself. It is far better to progress upon the Magickal path slowly. As your powers develop you will naturally come to understand what is possible for you. For now, it is more importent to only perform workings that you have complete faith you have the ability to see manifest. It does not matter how small this may seem, it is far better to have your faith boosted by an act of Magick, than to have your faith dampened by biting of more than you can Magically chew so to speak.
- 4. Secrecy. Secrecy about one s Magickal activities is a good idea for a number of reasons, particularly for the newbie. It is not a good move to blab to all and sundry that you have an interest in Magick if all you are going to get is mockery and ridicule. A lot of people sceptical about the whole Occult thing will challenge you to prove that there is something in all this by asking you to produce a tangible Magickal effect. And of course, nothing is ever good enough for these types and all you will end up doing is again undermining your developing faith and ability in yourself. If you have friends that are open and maybe even on the same or similar path to yourself this is a different matter. The process of developing a magical persona is a long and arduous one at times but is well worth it in the long run. The principles I have outlined should be digested and then utilized on a daily basis until they become second nature. Through the imagination the will is focused and by faith, manifests the magicians desire.

The Wiccans tell us that "whatever you cast out comes back to you threefold." In this they are, as usual, only half right. The truth is actually far less prosaic, and a great deal more simple. It is the prime law of gambling, magic, and

sex. Hell, it's the prime law of life.

-Simply put, "you play, you pay."

Oh yes, we can "philosophize" until the cows come home. We can define "white magic" as altruistic, beneficial, and benign. We can call "black magic" sinister, selfish, and brutal. We might--with Crowley--tell ourselves that White Magic is the spiritual quest for the Higher Self, and Black Magic is the blind and piggish rolling in the mud of the material world. But all of this mental masturbation only feels good. It never bears any fruit. The truth that every magician knows in the pit of his or her belly, whether they have the balls (metaphorically so for our Satanic Ladies) or not to admit it, is that all magic is black. Black as sin, black as midnight, black as pitch. And it always, always, has a price.

I have read critics of people like Aleister Crowley and Anton LaVey remark that if they were such great magicians, why didn't they die rich? Loved? Adored by all? The instant I hear such things pass the lips of morons I know they haven't a clue how magic works. They haven't the foggiest fucking idea.

A good magician will tell you, it all comes down to Balance. LaVey called it the "Balance Factor." And I quote; "...To the Satanist "God"--by whatever name he is called, or by no name at all--is seen as the balancing factor in nature, and not as being concerned with suffering...the powerful force which permeates and balances the universe..." In the Book of Belial, he talked a bit about making it work for you. But here is the thing; every life is a balance of the good and the ill, the ups and the downs, the smooth sailing and the choppy seas. For the vast majority, the plusses and minuses cancel each other out. True, some get more of one or the other, but this is to be expected along any bell curve.

Now, the difference between the "Right Hand Pather" and the "Left Hand Pather" is a lot more basic than the constant squabbles amongst occultists lets on. The Right Hand Pather is content to let the balance be. He tells himself that it's all in God's hands, or if an atheist (and yes, damnit, there are Right Hand Path Atheists) that it should all be "left to chance." Aunt Emma is dying of cancer. He doesn't like it, but he consoles himself with "it's a part of life."

The Left Hand Pather--and for me, boys and girls, this term has always been synonymous with "Magician"--is not content to let it be. He's not willing to let dear old Aunt Emma kick the bucket. So he pushes, he pushes hard. The balance shifts, the universe swings out of whack. Aunt Emma makes her come-back.

But let's not forget simple physics. "Every action is followed by an equal and opposite reaction." You push, and the universe is gonna push back. The harder you push, the harder it pushes back.

Little pushes--the spells to get parking spaces or the traffic lights turn green--only push back a little. Expect to get caught in a traffic jam next week. But the big pushes can fuck you up.

In this, magic is not unlike gambling. And hell, why not? The Tarot began as a betting game, and as much as those pompous Hermetic twits might want to forget it, Hermes was not only the patron god of Alchemists and Magicians but also

gamblers and thieves. Both magic and gambling are about making bets, taking risks, rolling the bones. Small bets translate into small wins and small losses. Big bets mean big wins and losses. You don't need to be a brain surgeon to get that.

Back to Crowley and LaVey. Did it ever occur to their obviously armchair detractors that they were staggering magicians in that they both launched new ways of thinking, new ways of being? What a small and petty price to pay was their ends in poverty and quiet ignominy.

Because if you wanna play, you gotta pay. That simple. The difference between Magicians and other folks is that Magicians pick their battles. Normal people roll with the blows. Magicians say, "I am gonna win this and pay by losing that later." Crowley and LaVey knew exactly the DevIl's Bargains they were making. They chose their wins and paid the price for balance.

Hence the Wiccans are full of shit...and yet somehow not totally wrong. You play with magic, it will come back and bite you in the ass. It doesn't matter if it's a curse or a blessing; it doesn't matter how good your protective circles or your banishings are. What matters is how far you dare throw the universe out of whack. C'mon, we all know this. There's not a fairy tale or myth in the world that hasn't warned you. Magic always extracts a toll. The Devil gets his due.

SOME EXAMPLES (For the hardcore who had the stomach to read this far)

1. I first learned the "you play, you pay" law at 15. My best friend and I were at that age, to put it mildly, outcast geeks. But damn if my friend didn't get the hots for his neighbor, the 17 year old cheerleader. Knowing I was into magic, he dared me to help him out. So on a midnight in October, he and I snuck off into the woods with all my Satanic gear to do the Invocation of Lust. Here we were, a couple of total dorks, one reading The Satanic Bible while another furious jerked off. No less than three days later, the cheerleader had a fight with her boyfriend and miraculously ended up screwing my friend. It was more than a violation of the laws of nature, it was a violation of all the laws of high school.

But of course, if you are real quiet and listen, you can hear the pendulum swinging back.

In short, while they conducted their secret sex games, the cheerleader started giving me the signal. Being fifteen, I started sleeping with her behind my best friend's back. It didn't end well.

2. One of the more dramatic workings in my life came when I received a phone call, in the dead of night, that my father had suffered a stroke. As he lived alone, he had been lying on his kitchen floor for three days before anyone found him. The damage, by that time, was catastrophic. The doctors told me to fly home because he would be dead within hours.

They obviously didn't know who they were dealing with.

My lover and I performed a ritual to save my father, to restore him to health. We both pushed hard. In a very "Hollywood" moment, I actually got myself so worked up I got a nosebleed. The next morning, I flew home.

Oh, my father lived through the night. Then they said he would be on life support forever. He wasn't. They said he would be bedridden all his life. He got up and learned to walk again. As of now, seven years later, he is almost completely his old self again.

Wait...here's that pendulum.

The lover I performed the working with was a nurse. A few months later, I got a new job and transferred to a new city. The plan was, my lover would fly back and live with my dad for awhile, looking after him for free room and board while i found a loce for us to live. But the lover found a new lover, and decided to remain in my home town, looking in on my dad and starting a new life with someone who wasn't me. I lost one of the greatest loves of my life. But I kept my father.

Balance.

I have no patience for these fools who want to serve "Lord Satan." Both God and the Devil are metaphors for a universe indifferent to human suffering. The only difference is, God doesn't listen and the Devil does. He delivers. But you gotta pay a price. There must be balance, and he doesn't really care how nice you are to him. He doesn't take bribes, kiddies.

WORKING WITH IT

Look, the best way to avoid the heavy price is to use Lesser Magic instead, Failing that, place smaller bets. Had my lust spell been fore the equally nerdy and outcast girl in homeroom, the odds would have been so even that the price was barely noticeable. I went for the cheerleader, the long shot, and got burned.

But ultimately...and I suspect everyone reading this, as a Satanist, already knows this...magic is scary. If you need something Really Big, just be prepared to pay a Really Big Price. If you can't do that, enroll in the Church of your choice, accept "God's Will," and stop playing with fire.

PREPERATIONS

Before you perform any formal ritual, I recommend that you do the following:

* Obtain some black candles if possible. If not available in any local stores, try some mail-order distributors.

Alternatively, you may use a can of Sterno in place of a black candle.

Whether you use a candle or a can of Sterno, make sure you have a good, solid holder for it that won't tip over easily.

* Obtain some comfortable, all-black clothing that you will wear only for ritual purposes. The clothing need not be a robe. A pair of black pants and a black shirt are fine too, as long as they are comfortable enough not to distract you in any way. Just don't wear the clothes for any purpose except rituals.

Alternatively, you may prefer to perform your rituals naked. That's fine too.

- * Obtain a small table that you can use as an altar. Ideally, the table should be used only as your altar and for no other purpose. Ideally too, it should be in a room that is used for no other purpose too. But, if you lack sufficient room or privacy for even a permanent altar, let alone an entire room reserved for that purpose, then your nightstand will do.
- * Obtain a piece of black cloth that you can use as an altar cloth. If you lack sufficient room or privacy to have a permanent altaar (in which case the table you are using as an altar will also be used for other purposes at other times), then the altar cloth should be on the table only when you are doing rituals, and at other times should be folded up and put away.
- * It is desirable to decorate both your altar and the walls of the room with a variety of Satanic symbols, such as a Baphomet. If possible, decorate the walls of the room with symbols and pictures that are not only Satanic or "dark" but also appropriate to the four elements (west = Water, south = Fire, east = Air, and north = Earth, transposing north and south if you live in the Southern hemisphere). However, this is not absolutely necessary. All you really need is an altar and, on your alter, a cloth and a candle.
- * As a gesture of respect and to help avoid distractions, the room in which you perform your rituals should be cleaned shortly beforehand. In particular, the floor should be clean, because you will be looking downward to address the the "Dark One" and the "Legions of the Pit."
- * Some people use incense. I personally don't. Whether or not you personally find incense helpful will likely depend on your religious background. For example, if you were brought up Catholic, you will probably find incense helpful. On the other

hand, if you were brought up in a non-liturgical Protestant church, you may find incense to be more of a distraction than a help.

- * Try to memorize your invocations, etc. before the ritual. However, it's perfectly OK to use crib sheets in case your memory falters.
- * Unless you have very good eyesight, you may need more than just candlelight to read your written prayers or other crib sheets. Have a small flashlight handy for that purpose.
- * If you intend to dispose of your written prayers or other crib sheets rather than save them after the ritual, it is recommended -- as a gesture of respect -- that you burn these sheets of paper immediately after or near the end of the ritual itself, rather than just throw them in the garbage later. Reading a prayer and then burning the paper on which it is written is a common ritual practice among theistic Satanists. It isn't absolutely necessary. However, written prayers used in ritual should be either kept or burned, not thrown in the garbage.

To that end, have a ceramic bowl handy. And, if you've never done this before, spend some time practicing the art of burning paper in a bowl before you do your first ritual. For safety, practice it in your bathroom or kitchen sink before you practice it anywhere else.

- * For obvious fire safety reasons, make sure there isn't any paper clutter or other highly flammable stuff anywhere near your altar. Also, make sure you know where your fire extinguisher is. Fire safety should be a consideration even if you're just using a candle and not using incense or burning paper.
- * If you will be burning paper or using incense, disconnect your smoke alarm before the ritual, and be sure to remember to reconnect it afterward. Write a note saying "reconnect smoke alarm!" and put it someplace where you'll be sure to see it, like perhaps taped to your bathroom mirror.
- * Your altar should be positioned so that, when facing your altar, you will be facing whichever direction will be most appropriate to the centerpiece of the ritual. For example, for a healing ritual, you might want to have your altar facing west, corresponding to the element of Water, since our bodies are mostly water. On the other hand, for a destruction ritual, you might want to have your altar facing south, corresponding to the element of Fire. For a ritual to help you do better in school, you might want to have your altar facing east, corresponding to the element of Air. For a ritual pertaining to making money, you might want to have your altar facing north, corresponding to the element of Earth. (See Infernal names, directional correspondences, etc.)

For a self-initiation ritual or a dedication ritual, your altar should face west. West is one of the directions traditionally associated with Satan for millenia. For example, before every baptism in the Roman Catholic and Eastern Orthodox churches, a renunciation of Satan is said facing west. West is also the direction associated with the element of Water, and thus with the things you need most in order to do magick or spirituality of any kind, such as intuition, primal emotion, and access to your subconscious mind.

- * Several hours before the ritual, eat a hearty meal and drink lots of liquids (at least four cups' worth), and then don't drink any more liquids after that, before the ritual. This will help ensure that, during the ritual itself, you will not be distracted by hunger, thirst, or a need to go to the bathroom. (You'll probably need to go to the bathroom at least a few times before the ritual.)
- * An hour or two before the ritual, cleanse yourself physically. Bathe or shower, brush your teeth, and perhaps gargle.
- * Then disconnect your telephone -- and make sure you'll remember to reconnect it after the ritual.
- * Finally, for at least a half hour before you perform the ritual itself, relax and listen to some appropriate music, to help put yourself in a suitable frame of mind for the ritual. I personally recommend such music as the "O Fortuna" chorus from Carl Orff's Carmina Burana and the "Passacaglia" part of Bach's Passacaglia and Fugue in C Minor. Whatever music you do use, it should evoke a sense of awe and wonder.

During at least part of your pre-ritual relaxation time, it is desirable to meditate or do one or more visualization exercises. Use a visualization which both helps to still the mind and inspires awe and wonder. For some people, the hurricane visualization may serve these purposes.

INTELLECTUAL DECOMPRESSION CHAMBER

Sometimes LaVey refers to the entire ritual chamber as the Intellectual Decompression Chamber, however I like to refer in particular to the ceremonial opening and closing elements of the ritual by this name. The third chapter of the Book of Belial in the Satanic Bible is entitled "The Ritual Chamber", from which I quote two paragraphs:

"The formalized beginning and end of the ceremony acts as a dogmatic, anti-intellectual device, the purpose of which is to disassociate the activities and frame of reference of the outside world from that of the ritual chamber, where the whole will must be employed. This facet of the ceremony is most important to the intellectual, as he especially requires the "decompression chamber" effect of the chants, bells, candles, and other trappings, before he can put his pure and willful desires to work for himself, in the projection and utilization of his imagery.

The "intellectual decompression chamber" of the Satanic temple might be considered a training school for temporary ignorance, as are ALL religious services! The difference is that the Satanist KNOWS he is practicing a form of contrived ignorance in order to expand his will, whereas another religionist doesn't - or if he does know, he practices that form of self-deceit which forbids such recognition. His ego is already too shaky from his religious inculcation to allow himself to admit to such a thing as self-imposed ignorance!"

Anton LaVey, The Satanic Bible, Book of Belial 3:paragraphs 8-9

The Intellectual Decompression Chamber is what I consider to be an element of ritual readiness. So, the Intellectual Decompression Chamber open and closes Satanic rituals and is the area where the Satanist purposely enters a state of mind of 'willfully contrived ignorance', from where they are more attuned to the requirements of symbolic and ritual behavior.

This acknowledges the dogmatic nature of all religious ritual and at the same time justifies it by explaining the blatant honesty with which all Satanic rituals are performed. The Satanist goes into the rituals with both eyes open, there is no deceit, Lucifer is the bringer of Light, of enlightenment, and the Satanic Rituals are meditative, contemplative and self-influential.

DEVICES USED IN SATANIC RITUAL

The ritual tools are representative of the 4 elements; fire, earth, air and water.

The ATHAME or "ritual dagger;" "black handled ritual knife" is used to point at the 4 directions and invoke the 4 crown princes of Hell. It is used to direct energy and the will. It is associated with the element of AIR. It symbolizes the male energies of the rite.

The BELL is used to signal the beginning and end of the ritual. The ringing of the Bell clears the air in preparation for ritual. It is rung in opening by turning widdershins (counter-clockwise) and at the end of ritual by turning deosil (clockwise).

BOOK OF SHADOWS aka SPELLBOOK aka GRIMIORE is your own private journal of ritual and magickal workings; their outcome, what you did and when and how you did it, spirit communications and manifestations. A private record you can keep and refer to recording all of your experiences in detail.

The BURNING BOWL should be made of stainless steel or silver. It is of the element of FIRE and is used to burn papers that contain written prayers/requests during ritual. A seperate bowl is not necessary, but can be used to burn poppits, personal belongings or effigies of a hated on for use in destructive (Black) Magickal workings.

I always keep seperate ritual items for Black Magickal workings. The reason for this is because when we practice Black Magick, we are using very negative and destructive energy. This energy can contaminate your every day ritual items. Black magickal tools are best kept seperate. In time, they will develop a powerful energy of their own.

CANDLES are representative of the element of FIRE. Candles for standard ritual should be black, but if black is unavailable, blue or red can be used. When summoning Demons, it is important to use the color related to the Demon (see "how to summon Demons").

*Due to xtian control, places where black candles can be purchased are becoming scarce. Do the best you can- remember, what is in your heart and what your intentions are is more important thean the color of your candles.

The INCENSE BURNER is used to perfume the air and to make for a favorable atmosphere for ritual and magickal workings. Incense is pleasing to Demons. One should always have a sample burning of new incense. This is because once a ritual has begun, it is too late if the incense is substandard. Cheap or foul smelling incense can be a major embarrassment and can also be insulting to the spirits one is trying to summon. The Incense Burner is both of the element of FIRE and the element of AIR.

RITUAL CORDS are not necessary, but can be used in binding spells or with spells that require knot magick.

CRYSTALS are not necessary, but can be used to intensify ritual and magickal workings and to store energy.

The RITUAL CHALICE represents the element of WATER. It is used to drink wine or some other beverage during a formal ritual. It should be silver or stainless steel. It symbolizes the female energies of the rite.

PENTAGRAMS are not necessary, but can be used to represent the element of EARTH. They should be of silver or stainless steel. *Everyone should have a BAPHOMET symbol somewhere on their altar.

The WAND is a standard ritual tool used by mages and sorcerers of the Right Hand Path. I strongly discourage the use of a wand. It is also called a "BLASTING ROD" and for centuries has been used to abuse and exploit Demons in the name of the enemy god. This is not wise if one wishes to establish relationships with Demons as wands are very offensive to them. Wands are representative of the element of fire.

SATANIC MAGICK

Far too long has the subject of Satanic magic and philosophy been written down by wild-eyed journalists of the right-hand path.

-Anton Szandor LaVey, The Satanic Bible

The Bible, and most of the public, attribute particular behaviours to Satan, such as not turning the other cheek, engaging in unbridled sexual activity, etc. 'Satan', it follows, then becomes a pretty accurate label for LaVey's belief-system. It is only a label, and nothing more. For example, loving your neighbour does not require a belief in the Christian God, but it is still a rather 'god-like' behaviour and attitude. Engaging in premarital sex does not require a belief in Satan, either, but most Christians would label it as a "satanic-like' behaviour. Looking at it from this perspective shows that the belief in Satan does not have any real connection to a satanic belief system.

Those who do believe in Satan, and follow him, are simply devil-worshippers, which is much different than being a Satanist. To a true Satanist, nothing should be worshipped other than the self, and rituals which seem to pay homage to Satan are 'representative' of a particular belief-system, not an actual entity named Satan. I hope this is making sense.

The vast majority of magicians, of any sort, follow either the "energy model", or the "psychological model" in explaining how their magick works (see Prime Chaos by Phil Hine, and Liber Kaos by Peter Carroll). The Energy Model, ala Joseph Campbell, briefly, says that magick is all about harnessing the energy in the environment around you, and focusing that energy into ritual behaviour. The Psychological Model, ala Carl Jung, briefly, says that magick is a personification of basic human archetypes contained only within the magician himself. Note that neither of these models require the belief in any entities, be they demons or gods.

One can conclude from this that LaVey's magick does not require the belief in Satan, and Wiccan magick/spells do not require the belief in a Goddess in order to be effective. So, it is obviously not correct to say that LaVey's magick is not "real" because he doesn't believe in the entity named Satan. The proof lies in the effectiveness of the ingredients, and there are plenty of Satanists around who cook with Satanic rituals.

In the theory of Satanic Magic, Levi identified three fundamental principles:

- 1. That the material universe is only a small part of total reality, which includes many other planes and modes of consciousness. Full knowledge and full power in the universe are only attainable through awareness of these other aspects of reality. One of the most important of these levels or aspects of reality is the "astral light", a cosmic fluid which may be molded by will into physical forms.
- 2. That human willpower is a real force, capable of achieving absolutely anything, from the mundane to the miraculous.

3. That the human being is a microcosm, a miniature of the macrocosmic universe, and the two are fundamentally linked. Causes set in motion on one level may equally have effects on another.

Ritual For Beginners

- 1. Learn the Basic Altar Setup Gather tools and craft yourown oleums ect.
- 2. Meditate regularly.
- 3. Learn to create a balanced elemental circle. This comes with time. Do not rushinto Ritual if you do not know how to do it properly. You could end up with an imbalance.
- 4. Go outside and appreciate nature. If you are drawn to water, go near an ocean or a river. If you are drawn to Earth, go into a forest or where there are trees and foilage. If you love firey places, go to the desert. If you love windy places go somewhere that is windy.
- 5. Do not attempt ritual if you do not know about it. Study up on the principles first, remember the basic laws, (erecting the circle, creating a balance, honoring the spirits (the Daemons), and doing the main rite, then close (always thanking the Deities for attending. Remember, you can not go back and change things.

Sometimes a cliche just wears out. It loses meaning or, worse, begins to say things we never meant. I think it's time to retire the phrase "black magic."

Saying "black" when we mean "evil" is nasty bullshit. In the first place, it reinforces the racist stereotypes that corrupt our society. And that's not all. Whenever we say "black" instead of "bad," we repeat again the big lie that darkness is wrong. It isn't, as people who profess to love Nature should know.

Darkness can mean the inside of the womb, and the seed germinating within the Earth, and the chaos that gives rise to all truly new beginnings. In our myths, the one who goes down to the underworld returns with the treasure. Even death, to the Wiccan understanding, is well-earned rest and comfort, and a preparation for new birth. Using "black" to mean "bad" is a blasphemy against the Crone.

But even if we no longer speak of magic as "black" or "white," we still need to think and speak about the ethics of magic. Although black is not evil, some actions are evil. It simply is not true that anything a person is strong enough or skilled enough to do is OK, nor should doing what we will ever be the whole of the law for us. We need a clear and specific vocabulary that enables us to choose wisely what we will do.

We need to replace the word "black," not simply to drop it. Some Pagans have tried using "negative" as their substitute, but that turned out to be confusing. For some people, "negative" means any spell to diminish or banish anything. Some things - tumors, depression, bigotry - are harmful. There's nothing wrong with a working to get rid of bad stuff. "Left-handed" is another

common term for wrongful practice, very traditional, but just as ignorant, superstitious and potentially harmful as the phrase "black magic" itself. So in Proteus we tried using the word "unethical." That's a lot better - free of extraneous and false implications - but still too vague.

Gradually, I began to wonder whether using any one word, "black" or "unethical" or whatever, might just be too general and too subjective. Perhaps all I really tell a student that way is "Judy doesn't like that."

I won't settle for blind obedience. If ethical principles are going to survive the twin tests of time and temptation, people need to understand just what to avoid, and why. Even more important, they need a basis for figuring out what to do instead. Especially when it comes to projective magic.

Projective magic means active workings, the kind in which we project our will out into the world to make some kind of change. This is what most people think of when they use the word magic at all. Quite clearly, magic that may affect other people is magic that can harm. This is the basis of the proverb "a Witch who can't hex can't heal." Either you can raise and direct power, or you can't. Your strength and skill can be used for blessing or for bane. The choice - and the karma - are yours.

Just as some people feel that strength and skill are their own justification, others feel that any projective magic is always wrong - that it is a distraction from our one true goal of union with the Divine or a willful avoidance of the judgements of Karma. I think these attitudes are equally inconsistent with basic Wiccan philosophy.

We are taught that we will find the Lady within ourselves or not at all, that the Mother of All has been with us from the beginning. We can't now establish a union that was always there. All we can do, all we need to do, is become aware. Knowing what it feels like to heal and empower, again and again till you can't dismiss it as coincidence, is one of the most powerful methods for awakening that awareness. It makes no sense to say that the direct experience and exercise of our indwelling divinity distracts from the Great Work.

Indeed, it is this intimate connection between our magic and our self-realization that our ethics protect. Wrongful use of magic will choke the channel. No short term gain could ever compensate for that.

The karmic argument against practical workings seems to me to arise from a paranoid and defeatist world view. Even if we assume that the hardships in this life were put there by the Gods for a reason, how can we be so sure that the reason was punishment? Perhaps instead of penance to be endured, our difficulties are challenges to be met. Coping and dealing with our problems, learning magical and mundane skills, changing ourselves and our world for the better - in short, growing up - is that not what the Gods of joy and freedom want from us?

One of the most radically different things about a polytheistic belief system is that each one of us has the right, and the need, to choose which God/desses will be the focus of our worship. We make these choices knowing that whatever energies we invoke most often in ritual will shape our own further growth. Spiritual practices are a means of self-programming. So we are responsible for what we worship in a way that people who take their One God as a given are not.

Think about this: what kind of Power actively wants us to submit and suffer, and objects when we develop skills to improve our own lives? Not a Being I'd want to invite around too often!

So it will not work for us to rule out projective magic completely; nor should we. Total prohibitions are as thoughtless as total permissiveness or blind obedience. Ethical and spiritual adults ought to be able to make distinctions and well-reasoned choices. I offer here a start toward analysing what kinds of magic are not ethical for us.

Baneful magic is magic done for the explicit purpose of causing harm to another person. Usually the reason for it is revenge, and the rationalization is justice. People who defend the practice of baneful magic often ask "but wouldn't you join in cursing another Hitler?"

For adults there is no rule without exceptions. If you think you would never torture somebody, consider this scenario: in just half an hour the bomb will go off, killing everybody in the city, and this terrorist knows where it is hidden....

It's a bad mistake to base your ethics on wildly unlikely cases, since none of us honestly knows how we would react in that kind of extreme. Reasonable ethical statements are statements about the behaviors we expect of ourselves under normally predictable circumstances.

We all get really angry on occasion, and sometimes with good cause. Then revenge can seem like no more than simple justice. The anger is a normal, healthy human reaction, and should not be repressed. But there's no more need to act it out in magic than in physical violence. Instead of going for revenge - and invoking the karmic consequences of baneful magic - identify what you really need. For example, if your anger comes from a feeling that you have been attacked or violated, what you need is protection and safe space. Work for the positive goal, it's both more effective and safer.

The consequences of baneful magic are simply the logical, natural and inevitable psychological effects. Even in that rare and extreme situation when you may decide you really do have to use magic to give Hitler a heart attack, it means you are choosing by the same choice to accept the act's karma. Magical attack hurts the attacker first.

The only way I know how to do magic is by use of my imagination, by visualizing or otherwise actively imagining the end I want, and then projecting that goal with the energy of emotional/physiological arousal. All the

techniques I know either help me to imagine more specifically or to project more strongly. So the only way I can send out harm is by first experiencing that harm within my own imagination. Instant and absolute karma - the natural, logical and inevitable outcomes of our own choices.

I would think, also, that somebody dumb enough to do such workings often would soon lose the ability to imagine specifically, as their sensitivity dulled in sheer self-defense. That callusing effect is the reality behind the pious proverb that says "if you abuse it, She'll take it away."

But not every other magician is ethical. Psychic vampire attacks do happen. Should we not defend ourselves? Of course we should. Leaving ourselves open to psychic attack is no good example of the autonomy and assertiveness our chosen Gods expect. But first, how can we be sure what we are experiencing really is psychic attack?

The fantasy of psychic attack is often a convenient excuse that allows us to avoid looking at our own shortcomings. When lack of rest or improper nutrition is the cause of illness, or a project isn't completed on time because of distraction, it's a real temptation to put the blame outside ourselves. Doing this too easily betrays our autonomy just as badly as meek submission to attack does. Then, to compound matters, projected blame becomes an excuse for unjust revenge -- and that is baneful magic without excuse.

Once in a rare while, some fool really does try to throw a whammy. It's hard to predict when you might be targeted. Passive shields are always a good idea. Like a mirror, these are totally inactive until somebody sends unwelcome energy. Then a shield will protect you completely and bounce back whatever is being thrown. You may not even know consciously when your shield is working, but the result is perfect justice.

Perfect justice; elegant and efficient. You won't hurt anybody out of paranoia or by mistake. And perfect protection, even though we do not have perfect knowledge.

Bindings, according to some, are completely defensive. They do not harm, only restrain. But imagine yourself being bound - perhaps by someone who believes themselves justified - and notice the feeling of impotence and frustration. Binding is bane from the viewpoint of the bound.

Even if restraint were truly not harm, bindings are just plain poor protection. They target a particular person or group. What if you suspect the wrong person? Somebody harmless is bound and your actual attacker is not bound. Shields, which cover you, not your supposed enemy, will cover you against any enemy, known or unknown.

So, baneful magic, besides being painful in the short run and crippling in the long run, is never necessary. There are better ways of self protection, and retribution is the business of the Gods.

Coercive magic is magic that targets another person to make them give us something we want or need. When most people think of the "Magic Power of Witchcraft." this is what they have in mind.

The spell to make the teacher give you a good grade, or the supervisor give you a good evaluation, the spell to make the personnel officer or renting agent choose you, the spell to attract that cute guy, all are examples of coercive magic.

So, what's wrong with high grades, a good job, a raise, a nice apartment and a sexy lover? There's nothing at all wrong with those goals. An it harm none, do what ye will. As long as nobody is hurt, go for it! But don't strive toward good ends by coercive means.

Although there is no deliberate intent to do harm or cause pain in coercive workings, other people are treated as pawns. Their autonomy and their interests are ignored.

For Pagans, to do this is total hypocrisy. We profess to follow a religion of immanence, one that places ultimate meaning and value in this life on this Earth, here and now. We claim to see every living thing, humans included, as a sacred manifestation. To do honor to this indwelling divinity, we place great value on our own personal autonomy. How can we then justify treating other people as objects for our use?

Nor is it harmless. Forcing the will, controlling the independent judgement of another human being, is harm. Once again, empathy leads to understanding. Just imagine you are the person whose will and judgement is being externally controlled. How does puppethood feel? From the viewpoint of the target, the harm is palpable.

The Pagan and Wiccan community as a whole is also hurt by coercive magic. One of the main reasons people fear and hate Witches is our reputation for controlling others. This is an old, dirty lie, created by the invading religion in an attempt to discredit the indigenous competition. Today, that reputation is mostly perpetuated by people who claim to be "our own," who teach unethical coercive magic by mail order to strangers whose ethical sensitivity cannot be evaluated long distance. May the Gods preserve the Craft!

People who are connected to the situation, but invisible to us, may also be seriously hurt: the cute guy's fiancee, the other applicant for that job. What you think of as a working designed only to bring good to yourself can bring serious harm to innocent third parties, and the karma of their pain will be on you.

That isn't the only way an incomplete view of the situation can backfire. There's a traditional saying that goes, "be careful about what you ask for, because that's exactly what you will get." What if he is gorgeous, but abusive? What if the apartment house is structurally unsound? Better to state your legitimate needs (love in my life, a nice place to live) and let the Gods deal with the details.

Finally, remember this: asking specifically limits us to what we now know or what we can now imagine. But I remember a time when I could not have imagined being a priestess. What if the cute guy in the office is perfectly OK, but your absolutely perfect soul-mate will be in the A+P next Wednesday? The more specifically targeted your magic is, the more you limit yourself to a life of tautology and missed chances.

And beyond all the scenario spinning lies the instant karma, the natural, logical and inevitable consequence of the act. It's more subtle than in the case of baneful magic, since you are not trying to imagine and project pain, but the damage is still real.

Every time you treat another human being as a thing to be pushed and pulled around for your convenience and pleasure, you are reinforcing your own alienation. The attitude of being removed from and superior to other people takes you out of community. As the attitude strengthens, so will the behavior it engenders. The long term result of coercive magic, as with mundane forms of coercion, is isolation and loneliness.

Are you beginning to think that magic is useless? Did I just rule out all the good stuff: love charms, job magic, spells for good grades? Not at all. It is not only ethical but good for you to do lots of magic to improve your own life. Whenever it works you will get more than you asked for - because along with whatever you asked for comes one more experience of your own effectiveness, your power-from-within.

Work on yourself and your own needs and desires without targeting other people. Then feel free! Ask for what you want. Visualize it and raise power for it and act in accordance on the material plane. "I need a caring and horny lover with a good sense of humor." "I want an affordable apartment near where my coven meets with a tree outside my window." "I need to be at my best when I take that exam next week." Fulfill your dreams, and sometimes let the Gods surprise you with gifts beyond your dreams.

Manipulative magic is magic that targets another person for what we think is "their own good," without regard for their opinions in the matter. In the general culture around us, this is normal. As you read this, you may have some friend or relative praying for you to be "saved" from your evil Pagan ways and returned to the fold of their preference. These people mean you well. By their own lights, they are attempting to heal you. We work from a very different thealogical base.

As polytheists, we affirm the diversity of the divine and the divinity of diversity. If there is no one, true, right and only way in general, do we dare to assume that there is one obvious right choice for a person in any given situation? If more than one choice may be "right," how can one person presume they know what another person would want without asking them first?

No life situation ever looks the same from outside as it does to the person who is experiencing it. Are you sure you even have all the facts? Are you fully aware of all the emotional entanglements involved? Perhaps that

illness is the only way they have of getting rest or getting attention. Perhaps they stay in that dead end job because it leaves them more energy to concentrate on their music. How do you know till you ask?

And, to further complicate the analysis, it's possible that the person you are trying to help would agree with you about the most desirable outcome, but fears and hates the very idea of magic. They have as much of a right to keep magic out of their own life, as you have to make it part of yours!

Our religion teaches that the sacred lives within each person, that we can hear the Lady's voice for ourselves if we only learn to listen. "... If that which you seek, you find not within yourself, you will never find it without." In behavioral terms, when you take another person's opinion about their own life seriously, you are reinforcing them in thinking and choosing for themselves. The more you do this, the more you encourage them to listen for the sacred inner voice.

Conversely, whenever you ignore or override a person's feelings about their own life, you are discounting those feelings and discouraging the kind of internal attention that can keep the channels to wisdom open. Although well-intentioned meddling may actually help somebody in the short run, in the longer run it trains them to dependency and indecision. Few intentional banes damage as severely. This is especially true because even the untrained and unaware will instinctively resist overt ill-will, but in our culture we are trained to receive "expert" interference with gratitude.

Check by asking yourself, "who's in charge here?" The answer to that will tell you whether you are basically empowering or undermining the person you intend to help.

And, as usual, the effects go both ways. The same uninvited intervention that fosters passivity in the recipient will foster arrogance in the "rescuer." It's control and ego-inflation masked as generosity. It's very seductive.

If you make this a habit, you will come to believe that other people are incompetent and powerless. Then what happens when you need help? Your contempt

will make it impossible for you to see what resources surround you. Manipulative magic is ultimately just as alienating as coercive magic - and it's a much prettier trap!

The way to avoid the trap is to do no working affecting another person without that person's explicit permission. Proteans are pledged to this, and I think it's a good idea for anybody.

You don't need to wait passively for the person to ask. It's perfectly all right to offer, as long as you are willing to sometimes accept "no" for your answer. For the person who believes s/he is unworthy or who is simply too shy, offering help is itself a gift. Taking their opinion seriously is an even greater gift: respect.

The rule is that whenever it is in any way physically possible to ask, you

must ask. If it's not important enough to pay long distance charges, it certainly isn't important enough to violate a friend's autonomy. If asking is literally not possible, then and only then, here are a few exceptions:

Sometimes an illness or injury happens very suddenly, and the person is unconscious or in a coma before you could possibly ask them. If you know that this person is generally comfortable with magic, you may do workings to keep their basic body systems working and allow the normal healing process the time it needs. If they are opposed to magic, for whatever reason, back off!

Traditionally, an unconscious person is understood to be temporarily out of their body. Maintaining their body in habitable condition is preserving their option, not choosing for them. Doing maintenance magic requires a lot of sensitivity. At some point, the time may come when you should stop and let the person go on. Be sure to use some kind of divination to help you stay aware.

This is a hard road. It may be your lover, your child, lying there helpless. Any normal human being would be tempted to drag them back, to force them to stay regardless of what is truly best for them, regardless of what they want. Don't repress these feelings, they do no harm, even though your actions might. It takes great strength and non-possessive love to recognize that your loved one knows their own need. You may be calling them back to a crippled body, to a life of pain. You may be calling them back from the ecstasy of the Goddess. And this is no more your right than it would be to murder them.

If a person is temporarily not reachable, you may charge up a physical object, such as an appropriate talisman or some incense. When you present it to them, give them a full explanation. It is their choice whether to keep or use your gift. By interposing an object between the magic and the target in this way, you can work the magic in Circle, with the coven's power to draw on, and still get the person's permission before the magic is triggered.

With all these rules about permission, perhaps it would be safer to work only on ourselves? Safer, yes, but not nearly as good. If you have permission, you may do any working for another person that you might do for yourself. Coercive magic is just as unacceptable when somebody else asks for it, and you may not do manipulative magic on your friend's mother, even at your friend's request. The permission must come from the magic's intended target and from nobody else. With proper permission, working magic for others is good for all concerned.

Every act of magic has two effects. One is the direct effect, the healing or prosperity working or whatever was intended. The other is a minute change in the mind and the heart of the person who does the working. Everything we experience, and especially everything that we do in a wholehearted and focused way - the only way effective magic can be done - changes us. Each experience leaves its tiny trace, but the traces are cumulative. They mold the person we will become. Our karma is our choice.

Instant karma can also be good karma. Logical, natural and inevitable outcomes can be desirable. When you send out good, what you send it with is love. Love is the driving force. When you let love flow freely, the channel

down to love's wellspring stays clear and open. When you send out good, you direct it along the web of person-to-person connection, and awareness of that web is reinforced. The totality of that web is the basis of community.

When you send out good it feels good. In the same way that sending out bane requires imagining pain, sending out blessing requires imagining pleasure, strongly and specifically. And, when you send out good, just the same as when you call it to yourself, you reinforce your sense of effectiveness in the world. Blessings grow in the fertile ground of mutuality, to the benefit of

A pattern is becoming visible. In baneful magic, the magician intends to harm the target. In coercive magic, the intent toward the target is neutral. In manipulative magic, the magician actually means the target well. But no matter how different the intent may be, in all three cases magic is done to affect another person without that person's permission. In all three cases, the target, the practitioner and ultimately the community are all hurt. And in all three cases, there are safer and more effective ways to reach the valid goals that we mean to aim for.

So, perhaps there is a descriptive word that covers all wrongful magical workings after all. How about "non-consensual" or "invasive" magic?

There's one thing left to examine: the paradox of making rules to protect personal autonomy.

If we make some of our choices as a community, by discussing things together and arriving at a common understanding about what magical behaviors are acceptable among us, then we choose and shape the kind of community we become.

Or we could give up our right to choose, because we feel we shouldn't tell each other what to do. Some people believe that a refusal to set community standards promotes personal autonomy. It never has before.

Appeals to individual rights can be real seductive. None of us wants Big Brother looking over our shoulders, telling us what to do "for our own good." For Witches in particular - members of a religious minority with bad image problems - this is a very legitimate fear. But make sure when somebody talks about "rights" without specifying something like "religious practice rights" or "the right to consensual sex," that you find out just what "rights" they mean.

Rhetoric about "rugged individualism" has been used in recent history to fast talk us into letting the rich or strong dominate all our lives. Without anything to stop them, they can destroy the forestland, or deny jobs or apartments to "cultists." Personal autonomy for most of us is diminished when we allow that.

Magic can be used for dominance, just the same as muscle or money. There is no difference, ethically, between the magical and the mundane. We are not

obligated to tolerate power trippers among us. We are not obligated to run our own community by the slogans and groundrules of the dominator culture.

Thinking about "rights," or about "laws" for that matter, in the abstract leads to "all or nothing" thinking - immature and slogan driven. I don't think we should ever "just say" anything. We need a deeper and more mature analysis. We need to ask questions like "right to do what?" and "law against what?" We need to get away from absolutes and to look in practical terms at the advantages or disadvantages of our choices.

Once more, our religion itself shows us the way to steer between the false choices. "An it harm none, do what you will." What a person does that affects only herself - magical or mundane - is truly nobody's business but her own. For example, consensual sexual behavior affects only the participants. But toxic waste dumping affects everybody in the watershed.

As long as we look at behavior in terms of private choices or individual will, we obscure the distinction that really makes a difference. If we're serious about wanting to give each of us the most possible control over our own lives, then decisions should be made by all the people affected by the behavior - not just by the people acting.

As soon as another person is magically targeted, that other person is affected. If we allow such targeting without consent, we are not supporting personal autonomy, we are subverting it!

When the behavior begins to affect us all - for example when real estate development threatens the salt marshes, and ultimately the air supply - or, very specifically, when invasive magic erodes the trust we need to work together - then we have a right to protect ourselves as a community. No ideology should turn us into passive victims when something we hold precious stands to be destroyed.

Invasive magic hurts the target first, and soon the actor, but in the long run it hurts all of us. It's been so long since we've been able to meet together, share our knowledge, help one another in need. Pagan community is very new, and still very fragile. It can only grow in safe space.

The People of this Land forbade skirmishes around the pipestone quarries, keeping that sacred source open to all. Otherwise, no sane person would go there, and the Old Ways would wither. For much the same reason, we cannot tolerate poppets in our council meetings.

An atmosphere of coercion and manipulation and magical duels does not nurture community. Eventually, for self protection, the gentle will either change or go away. We could lose what we have misguidedly refused to protect.

As above, so below: our karma is our choice.

WEDDING CEREMONY

[The following wedding ceremony is being presented to you as you requested by Satanists of the ULCM. It is a beautiful ceremony, perfect for interfaith and non-denominational settings. It is the official Universal Life Church Wedding Ceremony with some minor changes to fit the Satanist's needs so feel free to edit it to your liking.]

CONSIDERATIONS:

A wedding is in reality a pact or contract where two parties being of sound mind and legal age agree to form a partnership or union, each contributing something of equal value to the communal benefit. By their natures, marriages are meant to be lifetime relationships, so both parties should consider well their intent an purpose before entering into such a profound and far reaching agreement.

Such long term agreements were well and good a century or more ago when the average human life span was thirty or forty years if they were lucky, but now that people are living to seventy to eighty years or more, such long term agreements should be considered doubly well. Consider that if you are twenty or so years old, you may have to endure one another for the next half century or more.

Moreover, keep in mind that the divorce rate or negation of contract is currently running in excess of sixty percent. If there were ever a time to use good sense, the consideration of a marriage pact would be a fine time to use it. Remember the most tenacious case of lust will wain in less than six weeks, so you had best have something much more enduring between yourselves or you will surely fail.

There is an old time alternative ceremony known as "Handfasting" where everyone gets drunk and the bride and groom simply holds hands and jumps over a stick or broom. Everyone then considers the couple married. Of course, the nice thing about Handfasting is that should you get tired of one another, you can simply jump over the stick or broom backwards which undoes the deed. That always did make more sense.

However, if you are bound and determined and won't listen to reason, and you firmly wish to subject yourselves to such an anomaly as matrimony, then so be it. You do, after all, have free will, but take your action seriously, gravely seriously. So, before the ceremony, the Bride and Groom should place a copy of their wedding pacts in each other's black books. They will sign them later during their wedding ceremony if they don't previously come to their senses.

Many of today's popular wedding ceremony and reception traditions can be traced to ancient Egyptian and European customs. These were often based on symbolism, superstition, folklore, religion, and even the belief that evil spirits could bring disease and death to newlyweds and crops, which was very important in many farm-based early cultures. Although the exact origin and usefulness of many of

these early wedding traditions are not always clear, popular acceptance has allowed them to flourish. Besides, many of these wedding traditions are just plain fun!

According to various sources, some of the early marriages were literally carried out by the Groom and his "Bridesmen" (or "Bridesknights") who would kidnap a woman (the origin of "carrying a Bride over the threshold") from another tribe! The Groom and his fellow conspirators would then fight off the female's family of tribesmen with swords held in their right hand while the Groom would hold the captured Bride in his left hand, which is the origin of why a Bride stands on the left side of the Groom at a wedding.

After a successful capture, another politically correct practice was for the Groom to hide his new Bride for one month for mating purposes. It is said that the word "honeymoon" was created to describe this one month cycle of the moon when they would drink mead, which was a honey sweetened alcoholic brew that effects both sobriety and the acidity of the womb, thus increasing fertility.

Beginning around 1000 A.D., marriages were often nothing more than trading chips used in bartering land, social status, political alliances, or money (no checks or credit cards were accepted) between families!

The word, "Wedding" comes from the Anglo-Saxon word "wedd" that meant a man would marry a woman and pay the Bride's father.

THE CEREMONY:

If it were possible to begin this ceremony by gathering together all the wishes of happiness for and from all present here... If we could gather together those precious wishes of affection and our very fondest hopes and turn them into music, we would be listening now to a most inspiring anthem, composed of the most harmonious notes possible to produce.

Even	though this is not possible, just speaking of it should assure
and	that our hearts are attuned to theirs in these moments so
mean	ingful to all of us. For what greater thing is there for two human souls than to
feel th	nat they are joined together to strengthen each other in all labor, to minister
to eac	ch other in all sorrow, to share with each other in all gladness.

Marriage is an act of faith and a personal commitment as well as a moral and physical union between the parties. It has been described as the best and most important relationship that can exist between two human beings; the construction of their love and trust into a single growing energy of spiritual life.

It is a moral commitment that requires and deserves daily attention since no earthly happiness exceeds that of a reciprocal satisfaction in the conjugal state. Marriage should be a life-long consecration to the ideal of loving kindness, backed with the will to make it last.

True love gives nothing but itself and takes nothing but from itself. Love does not possess, nor would it be possessed. For love is sufficient unto love.

Love has no other desire but to fulfill itself.

To awake at dawn with a winged heart and Give thanks for another day of loving. To rest at noon and meditate love's ecstasy; To return home at eventide with gratitude, And then to sleep with a prayer for the beloved in your heart And a song of praise upon your lips.
will you take to be your wedded wife, to love, to cherish, to continually bestow upon her your heart's deepest devotion? (Groom replies "I will")
Andwill you take to be your wedded husband, to love, to cherish, to continually bestow upon him your heart's deepest devotion? (Bride replies "I will")
Please hold hands and repeat after me: ", you are consecrated to me now as my wife from this day forward, to love, to cherish and to have and to hold, for richer, for poorer, for better, for worse, in sickness and in health, in sadness and in joy, to share together as long as we both shall love. Ave."
And,, you are consecrated to me now as my husband, from this day forward, to love and cherish, to have and to hold, for richer, for poorer, for better, for worse, in sickness and in health, in sadness and in joy, to care and share together as long as we both shall love. Ave"
What token of your devotion do you offer your beloved? (bride and groom retrieve rings from best man and maid of honor, handing them to minister)
May these rings be blessed as the symbol of this affectionate unity. These two lives are now joined in one unbroken circle. Wherever they go, may they always return to one another in their togetherness. May these two find in each other the love for which all men and women yearn. May they grow in understanding and in compassion. May the home which they establish together be such a place of sanctuary that many will find there a friend. May these rings, on their fingers, symbolize the touch of the spirit of love in the heart.
(Minister hands ring to groom), in placing this ring on's finger, repeat after me: "I give you this ring as the pledge of my love and as the symbol of our unity. Amen" (Groom places ring on bride's finger)
(Minister hands other ring to bride), in placing this ring on's finger, repeat after me: "I give you this ring as the pledge of my love and as the symbol of our unity. Amen" (Bride places ring on groom's finger)
Inasmuch as and have consented together in marriage before this company; have pledged their faith and declared their unity by each giving and receiving a ring and are now joined in mutual esteem and devotion, I, as an ordained Minister of Satan, pronounce that they are husband and wife together and offer them the Benediction of the Yazidis:

Now you will feel no rain,
For each of you will be shelter to the other.
Now you will feel no cold,
For each of you will be warmth to the other.
Now there is no more loneliness for you.
Now there is no more loneliness.
Now you are two bodies,
But there is only one life before you.
Go now to your dwelling place,
To enter into the days of your togetherness.
And may your days be good and long upon the earth.

You may seal your vows with a kiss.

BLACK MASS

[A Black Mass is a parody of the Catholic mass sometimes practiced by wealthy opponents of the Church in the Dark Ages. Some so-called 'black masses' were performed by priests to curse enemies, a practice condemned by the church. While this practice was ascribed to witches during trials, it is unlikely it was practiced by common people. Modern Satanists sometimes perform a 'black mass' for theatrical effect. but it is not a standard practice in Satanism or modern witchcraft. 1

The Black Mass combines various elements:

- belief in a pagan deity stigmatized by Christians as the Devil,
- use of the Mass for material ends,
- and parodies of orthodox Christian ritual.

The Black Mass is a magical ceremony and inversion or parody of the Catholic Mass that was indulged in ostensibly for the purpose of mocking God and worshipping the devil; a rite that was said to involve human sacrifice as well as obscenity and blasphemy of horrific proportions. The origin of the belief in the Black, or Satanic, Mass goes back to medieval magic and witchcraft, yet no one really knows the early history of this magical act, for there exists no single reliable, first-hand description.

A witch who said she was present described a Black Mass at a sabbath in France in 1594. She claimed that the ceremony had taken place on St. John's Eve in a field with about sixty people present. The celebrant wore a long black cloak devoid of the customary cross, and his assistants were two girls; while a slice of turnip, black (either stained or putrid), was used instead of consecrated bread.

Eric Maple, a leading authority on witchcraft, goes so far as to assert that the Black Mass is an illusion, fostered by the press, that never played any part in witchcraft.

The Abbe Boullan (1824-93), a defrocked Catholic priest who believed that he was a reincarnation of John the Baptist, is reported to have celebrated a Black Mass in vestments on which an inverted cruifix was embroidered, with a pentagram tattooed at the corner of his left eye (the left being the side of evil). He recommended the ceremonial sacrifice of a child at the high point of the Mass, and the use of consecrated hosts being mixed with faeces as a cure for nuns who complained they were tormented by devils.

The occultist Aleister Crowley devised Satanic rituals, but the intention appears to have been anti-Christian rather than criminal.

The Church of Satan has based its much publicized diabolism upon a rejection of the Christian ethics of self-denial and humility.



AN EXORCISM OF JEHOVAH

[This rite was written by a Satanist who went by the name of Geifodd in 2006 and was slightly revised by me to fit the needs of Processive Satanists, so it should be noted, if you are new to Satanism, it is very important that you REFRAIN from performing this rite until you have been a Satanist for at least a few years. This is not something to be performed lightly, and it requires a stable Satanic mindset in order to be conducted correctly. I believe that premature performance of this rite can cause some very serious complications, and anyone who is new or has just begun in Satanism should keep their options open for a while. For more experienced Satanists who feel they are ready to perform this rite, please keep in mind that if using the name "Jehovah" seems inappropriate to you for whatever reason(s), please feel free to replace it with whatever synonym for the Judeo-Christian/Islamic god that you are most comfortable with.]

In the name of Enki most holy, Great Satan, almighty Lucifer! I hereby command that the spirit of Yahweh Depart from my mind, my body, And my soul at once!

Begone Yahweh, thou foul spirit of
Deception, hypocrisy and ignorance!
By the midnight brilliance of Lucifer the Lord,
I recognize thee for the pitiful vampire thou art,
And I invoke the power of thy Adversary to bind thee
And keep thee from infringing upon the freedom of my soul!

Get thee behind me, Yahweh! Get thee behind me, ENSLAVER! Thou art naught but a vengeful ghost To the ever-jubilant God of this World!

In the name of Enki, I reject the Tetragrammaton! In the name of Satan, I reject the Tetragrammaton! In the name of Lucifer, I reject the Tetragrammaton!

Depart, foul Yahweh! Depart from my life and from my soul! Thou cannot refuse my command, for it is no less Than a servant and child of the Prince of Darkness Himself Who commands you!

Begone you vile spirit, and leave me in peace! In the name of Hadit the Prince, I cast thee OUT!

Hail Satan!

THE BORNLESS ONE INVOCATION

[These are reworkings of Crowley's invocations from his Goetia (Crowley/Mathers). I am not comfortable using traditional God names and I figured there are others who may not be as well, so I used Leviathan as the precursor for the rest of the Liber of Leviathan.]

I invoke thee , Mighty Leviathan! Thee, that didst create the earth and the heavens Thee, that didst creare the night and day Thee, that didst create the darkness and the light Thou art the midnight pearl! Whom no man hath seen at any time Thou art the darkness and thou art the light! Thou hast distinguished between the just and the unjust! Thou didst make male and female. Thou didst produce the seed and the fruit. Thou didst form man to love one another and hate on another I am the eyes of the dragon! I am thy prophet! Unto whom didst commit thy mysteries of the underworld Thou didst produce the moist and dry, that which nourishes all life Hear thou me, for I am thou servant, thy prophet This is thy true name, unseen, unspeakable, unknown by man. Hear Me, and make all Spirits friendly unto Me: so that every Spirit of the Firmament and of the Ether: upon the Earth and under the Earth: on dry Land and in the Water: of Whirling Air, and of rushing Fire: and every Spell and cohert of the serpent may be in accordance with my will, and mine with theirs. Such are the words...

INVOCATION TO SATAN

The 4 Crown Princes of Hell are in order:

SATAN/LUCIFER TO THE EAST BEELZEBUB TO THE NORTH ASTAROTH TO THE WEST AZAZEL TO THE SOUTH

(PLEASE LOOK AT THE INFERNAL NAMES FOR REFERENCE)

Light your incense and let it burn 10-15 minutes to fill the room. Write any prayers, thanksgivings and/or requests out on clean paper Light your candles. (if you are using candle holders, they should be silver) Fill your chalice with wine or some other drink (your chalice should be silver) Dress for ritual. If you don't have a ritual robe, wear all black. Make sure your clothes are clean. Ring bell, turning counterclockwise.

STARTING THE INVOCATION:

In Nomine Dei Nostri Satanas, Luciferi Excelsi. In the Name of Satan, Ruler of the Earth, True God, Almighty and Ineffable, Who hast created man to reflect in Thine own image and likeness, I invite the Forces of Darkness to bestow their infernal power upon me. Open the Gates of Hell to come forth to greet me as your Brother/Sister and friend. Deliver me O Mighty Satan from all past error and delusion, fill me with truth, wisdom and understanding, keep me strong in my faith and service, that I may abide always in Thee with Praise, Honor and Glory be given Thee forever and ever.

Drink from Chalice

Take your Athame, turning counterclockwise at each of the 4 points, Invoke the 4 Crown Princes of Hell:

Satan/Lucifer from the East Beelzebub from the North Astaroth from the West Azazel from the South

This is now the height of your ritual where you read your prayer to Father. When you are finished, light the paper in the flame of your candle and place it in your silver bowl to burn. Now is the time for meditation and focus. After the meditation is when you should talk to Father one on one.

After this, more prayers can be said. You can pray during this time in Enochian, either with the Enochian key(s) of your choice, or prayers of your own. We are all individual and have our own ways of ritual and worship. I prefer to kneel, as I worship Satan.

Very early on, this was given to me by the Demons, and also a close friend had the same experience; to kneel out of respect, but this is between you and Father.

At the end of your ritual close with a HAIL SATAN!! Turn clockwise and ring the bell.

THE INFERNAL NAMES

- * Abaddon The Destroyer (Hebrew)
- * Adramalech Samarian devil
- * Ahpuch Mayan devil
- * Ahriman Mazdean devil
- * Amon Egyptian ram-headed god of life and reproduction
- * Apollyon Greek synonym for Satan, the arch fiend
- * Asmodeus Hebrew devil of sensuality and luxury, originally "creature of judgment"
- * Astaroth Phoenician goddess of lasciviousness, equivalent of Babylonian Ishtar
- * Azazel Taught man to make weapons of war, introduced cosmetics[citation needed] (Hebrew)
- * Baalberith Canaanite Lord of the covenant who was later made a devil
 - * Balaam Hebrew devil of avarice and greed
- * Baphomet Worshipped by the Templars (by accusation) as symbolic of Satan
 - * Bast Egyptian goddess of pleasure represented by the cat
- * Beelzebub Lord of the Flies, taken from the symbolism of the scarab (Hebrew)
- * Behemoth Hebrew personification of Lucifer in the form of an elephant
 - * Beherit Syriac name for Satan
 - * Bilé Celtic god of Hell
 - * Chemosh National god of Moabites, later a devil
 - * Cimeries Rides a black horse and rules Africa
 - * Dagon Philistine avenging devil of the sea
 - * Damballa Voodoo serpent of God
 - * Demogorgon a name so terrible as to not be known to mortals
 - * Diabolous "Flowing downwards" (Greek)
- * Dracula Romanian name for son of the devil or dragon, which would also denote a "devilish" name--Romanian isn't too clear on which meaning, if not both, is correct.
 - * Enma-O Japanese ruler of Hell
- * Euronymous Greek Prince of Death (a misspelling, correct spelling Eurynomos)
 - * Fenris Son of Loki, depicted as a wolf
 - * Gorgo dim. of Demogorgon, see above

- * Haborym Hebrew synonym for Satan
- * Hecate Greek goddess of the underworld and witchcraft
- * Ishtar Babylonian goddess of fertility
- * Leviathan Hebrew personification of Lucifer in the form of a great sea reptile (usually it represents the Antichrist; the beast of the sea)
- * Lilith Hebrew female devil, Adam's first wife who taught him lust
 - * Loki Teutonic devil
 - * Mammon Aramaic god of wealth and profit
 - * Mania Etruscan goddess of Hell * Mantus - Etruscan god of Hell
 - * Marduk god of the city of Babylon
 - * Mastema Hebrew synonym for Satan
 - * Melek Taus Yezidi devil
 - * Mephistopheles he who shuns the light, q.v. Faust (Greek)
 - * Metztli Aztec goddess of the night
 - * Mictian Aztec god of death
- * Midgard serpent Jörmungandr, son of Loki, depicted as a serpent
- * Milcom Ammonite devil
 - * Moloch Phoenician and Canaanite devil
 - * Mormo King of the Ghouls, consort of Hecate (Greek)
 - * Naamah Hebrew female devil of seduction
 - * Nergal Babylonian god of Hades
 - * Nihasa American Indian devil
 - * Nija Polish god of the underworld
 - * O-Yama Japanese name for lord of death
 - O-Tailia Japanese haine for ford of death
 - * Pan Greek god of lust, later relegated to devildom
 - * Pluto Roman god of the underworld
 - * Prosperine Greek queen of the underworld
 - * Pwcca one of the myriad of fairy (faery) folk
 - * Rimmon Syrian devil worshipped at Damascus
- * Sabazios Phrygian origin, indentified with Dionysos, snake worship
 - * Saitan Enochian equivalent of Satan
 - * Samael "Venom of God" (Hebrew)
 - * Samnu Central Asian devil
 - * Sedit American Indian devil
 - * Sekhmet Egyptian goddess of vengeance
 - * Set Egyptian devil
 - * Shaitan Arabic name for Satan
 - * Supay Inca god of the underworld * T'an-mo - Chinese counterpart to the devil, covetousness, desire
 - * Tchort Russian name for Satan, "black god"

- * Tezcatlipoca Aztec god of Hell
- * Thamuz Sumerian god who was later relegated to devildom * Thoth Egyptian god of magic
- * Tunrida Scandinavian female devil
- * Typhon Greek personification of devil
- * Yaotzin Aztec god of Hell
- * Yen-lo-Wang Chinese ruler of Hell

THE ENOCHIAN KEYS

[The following are the Enochian Keys/Calls. They are presented in transliterated Enochian, with a translation under them in English. Some versions of the Keys actually take Aleister Crowley's Enochian, which to me is laboriously over-worked as well as Anton LaVey, who included them in the Satanic Bible, and didn't translate the keys in Enochian at all so I have taken the original Enochian of Dee and Kelley. I've used the original translations of Dee as a starting point, with only some minor changes of spelling changed into modern English. Wherever possible, the original grammatical structure was retained, so the reader will be able to interpret the texts as close to the originals as possible. Of particular note, the fact is that there are 48 Keys in total. Each of the first 18 comprise 1, and the Key of the 30 Aethers (or Ayre) comprises 30, one Key for each Aether. Which parallels with the Liber Loagaeth pages- since there is 48 leafs in total. Like I said, need not use traditional God names. I don't recommend the use of Enochian at all unless you are willing to take the time to learn both the Enochian language itself and the system of magick associated with it. Don't treat it as just a bunch of cool-sounding shit. And, as far as I seen, most serious Enochian magic(k)ians do not particularly like LaVey's translations of the Enochian keys.]

Key 1

Ol sonf vorsg, goho iad balt, lonsh calz vonpho: sobra z-ol ror i ta nazpsad graa ta malprg: ds holq qaa nothoa zimz, od commah ta nobloh zien: soba thil gnonp prge aldi, ds vrbs oboleh grsam. Casarm ohorela caba pir ds zonrensg cab erm iadnah. Pilah farzm znrza adna gono iadpil ds hom toh, soba ipam, lu ipamis, ds loholo vep zomd poamal, od bogpa aai ta piap piamol od vooan zacare ca od zamran: odo cicle qaa: zorge: lap zirdo noco mad, hoath iaida.

I rayng over you, sayeth the God of Justice, in power exalted above the firmaments of wrath: in whose hands the Sun is as a sword and the Moon as a through thrusting fire: which measureth your garments in the midst of my vestures, and thrust you together in the palms of my hands: whose seats are garnished with the fire of gathering, and beautified your garments with admiration. To whom I made a law to govern the holy ones and delivered you a rod with the ark of knowledge. Moreover you lifted up your voices and swear obedience and faith to him that liveth and triumpheth whose beginning is not, nor end cannot be, which shineth as a flame in the midst of your palace, and reigneth amongst you as the balance of righteousness and truth. Move, therefore, and show yourselves: open the mysteries of your creation: Be friendly unto me: for I am the servant of the same your God, the true worshipper of the highest.

Adgt vpaah zongom faaip sald, viiv I, sobam ialprg izazaz piadph: casarma abaramg ta talho paracleda, qta lorslq turbs ooge baltoh. Giui chis lurd orri, od micalp chis bia ozongon, lap noan trof cors tage, oq manin iaidon. Torzu gohel: zacar ca cnoqod: zamran micalzo: od ozazm vrelp: lap zir ioiad.

Can the wings of the wind understand your voices of wonder, O you the second of the first, whom the burning flames have framed within the depth of my jaws: whom I have prepared as cups for a wedding, or as the flowers in their beauty for the chamber of righteousness. Stronger are your feet than the barren stone, and mightier are your voices than the manifold winds. For you are become a building such is not, but in the mind of the all powerful. Arise, sayeth the First: Move therefore unto his servants: show yourselves in power: and make me a strong seething: for I am of him that liveth forever.

Kev 3

Micma goho piad, zir comselh a zien biab os londoh: norz chis othil gigipah: vndl chis ta puim q mospleh teloch, quiin toltorg chis i chis ge em ozien dst brgda od torzul. I li e ol balzarg od aala thiln os netaab, dluga vomsarg lonsa capmiali vors cla homil cocasb: fafen izizop od miinoag de gnetaab vaun na naeel, panpir malpirgi caosg pild: noan vnalah balt od vooan. Dooiap mad, goholor gohus amiran. Micma iehusoz cacacom od dooain noar micaolz aaiom. Casar, g gohia: zacar vniglag od imuamar, pugo plapli ananael gaan.

Behold sayeth your God, I am a circle on whose hands stand 12 kingdoms: six are the seats of living breath: the rest are sharp sickles or the horns of death, wherein the creatures of your earth are to are not, except my own hand which sleep and shall rise. In the first I make you stewards and placed you in the 12 seats of government, giving unto every one of you power successively over 456, the true ages of time: to the intent that from your highest vessels and the corners of your governments you might work my power, pouring down the fires of life and increase continually on the earth: Thus you are become the skirts of Justice and Truth in the name of the same your God, lift up, I say, your selves. Behold his mercies flourish and name is become mighty amongst us. In whom we say: move, descend, and apply yourselves unto us, as unto the partakers of the Secret Wisdom of your creation.

Othil lasdi babage od dorpha, gohol, g chis ge auauago cormp pd dsonf vivdiv? Casarmi oali mapm sobam ag cormpo crpl, casarmg croodzi chis od vgeg, dst capimali chis capimaon: od lonshin chis ta lo cla. Torgu nor quasahi od f caosga: bagle zirenaiad dsi od apila. Dooaip qaal, zacar od zamran obelisong restel aaf normolap.

I have set my feet in the south and have looked about me, saying, are not the thunders of increase numbered 33 which reign in the second angle? Under whom I have placed 9639 whom none yet hath numbered but one, in whom the second beginning of things are wax strong, which also successively are the number of time: and their powers are as the first 456. Arise, you Sons of pleasure, and visit the earth: for I am the lord your God which is, and liveth. In the name of the creator, move and show yourselves as pleasant deliverers, that you may praise him amongst the sons of men.

Sapah zimii duib od noas taquanis adroch, dorphal caosg od faonts peripsol tablior. Casarm amipzi nazarth af od dlugar zizop zlida caosgi tol torgi: od zchis esiasch l taviu od iaod thild ds hubar peoal soba cormfa chis tala vls odqcocasb. Ca niis od darbs qaas: fetharzi od bliora: iaial ednas cicles: bagle? Geiad i l.

The mighty sounds have entered in your third angle and are become as olives in your olive mount, looking with gladness upon the earth and dwelling in the brightness of the heavens as continual comforters. Unto whom I fastened pillars of gladness 19 and gave them vessels to water the earth with her creatures: and they are the brothers of the first and second and the beginning of their own seats which are garnished with continual burning lamps 69636 whose numbers are as the first, the ends, and your contents of time. Therefore come you and obey your creation: visit us in peace and comfort: conclude us as receivers of your mysteries: for why? Our Lord and Master is all one.

Gah sdiu chis em, micalzo pilzin: sobam el harg mir babalon od obloc samvelg: dlugar malprg arcaosgi od chis anetab od miam ta viv od d. Darsar sol peth bien: brita od zacam g micalzo: sobhaath trian luiahe odecrin mad gaa on.

The spirits of the fourth angle are nine, mighty in the firmament of waters: whom the first hath planted a torment to the wicked and a garland to the righteous: giving unto them fiery darts to winnow the earth and 7699 continual workmen whose courses visit with comfort the earth and are in government and continuance as the second and the third. Wherefore harken unto my voice: I have talked of you and I move you in power and presence: whose works shall be a song of honour and the praise of your God in your creation.

Raas isalman paradizod oecrimi aao ialpirgah quiin enay butmon: od inoas ni paradial casarmg vgear chirlan, od zonac lucifitan cors ta vaul zirn tolhami. Soba londoh od miam chis tad odes vmadea od pibliar, athil pit od miam. Cnoquol rit: zacar, zamran: oecrimi qadah od omicaolz aaiom. Bagle papnor idlugam lonshi od vmplif vgegi bigliad.

The East is a house of virgins singing praises amongst the flames of glory wherein the Lord hath opened his mouth: and they are become 28 living dwellings in whom the strength of man rejoices, and they are apparelled with ornaments of brightness such as work wonders on all creatures. Whose kingdoms and continuance are as the third and fourth strong towers and places of comfort, the seats of mercy and continuance. O you servants of mercy: Move, appear: sing praises unto the creator and be mighty amongst us. For to this remembrance is given power and our strength waxes strong in our comforter.

Bazmelo ita piripson oln nazavabh ox: casarmg vran chis vgeg dsabramg baltoha goho iad: sola (soba) mian trian ta lolcis abaiuonin od aziagier rior. Irgil chis da ds paaox bufd (busd) caosgo, ds chis, odipuran teloah, cacrg o isalman loncho od vouina carbaf? Niiso, bagle auauago gohon: niiso bagle momao siaion od mabza iad o i, as momar, poilp. Niis, zamran ciaofi caosgo od corsi ta abramig.

The midday, the first, is as the third heaven made of hyacinth pillars 26: in whom the elders are become strong which I have prepared for my own righteousness sayeth the Lord: whose long continuance shall be as bucklers to the stooping dragon and like unto the harvest of the widow. How many are there which remain in the glory of the earth, which are, and shall not see death, until this house fall and the dragon sink? Come away for the thunders have spoken: come away for the crowns of the temple and the coat of him that is, was, and shall be crowned, are divided. Come, appear to the terror of the earth and to our comfort and of such as are prepared.

Micaoli bransg prgel napta ialpor ds brin efafafe P vonpho olani od obza: sobca vpaah chis tatan od tranan balye, alar lusda soboln od chis holq cnoquodi CIAL. Vnal aldon mom caosgo ta las ollor gnay limlal: amma chiis sobca madrid z chis: ooanoan chis auiny drilpi caosgin, od butmoni parm zumvi cnila: dazis ethamz a childao, od mirc ozol chis pidiai collal. Vlcinin a sobam vcim. Bagle? Iad baltoh chirlan par! Niiso, od ip ofafafe, bagle a cocasb icorsca vnig blior.

A mighty guard of fire with two-edged swords flaming which have vials 8 of wrath for two times and a half: whose wings are of wormwood and off the marrow of salt, have settled their feet in the west and are measured with their ministers 9996. These gather up the moss of the earth as the rich man does his treasure: cursed are they whose iniquities they are in their eyes are millstones greater than the earth, and from their mouths run seas of blood: their heads are covered with diamond, and upon their heads are marble sleeves. Happy is he on whom they frown not. For why? The God of Righteousness rejoices in them! Come away and not your vials, for time is such as requires comfort.

Coraxo chis cormp od blans lucal aziazor paeb, sobalilonon chis virq OP eophan od raclir maasi bagle caosgi, ds ialpon dosig od basgim: od oxex dazis siatris od salbrox cynxir faboan. Vnal chis const ds DAOX cocasg OL oanio yor vohim OL gizyax od eors cocasg plosi molui ds pageip larag om droln matorb cocasb emna. L patralx yolci MATB, nomig monons olora gnay angelard. Ohio, ohio, ohio, ohio, ohio, ohio, noib ohio caosgon! Bagle madrid i zirop chiso drilpa.

The thunders of Judgement and Wrath are numbered and are harboured in the North in the likeness of an oak, whose branches are nests 22 of Lamentation and Weeping laid up for the earth, which burn night and day: and vomit out the heads of scorpions and live sulphur mingled with poison. These be the thunders that 5678 times in the 24th part of a moment roar with a hundred mighty earthquakes and a thousand times as many surges which rest not nor know any echoing time here. One rock brings forth 1000, even as a heart of man does his thoughts. Wo, wo, wo, wo, wo, yea wo be to the earth! For her iniquity is, was and shall be great. Come away: but not your noises.

Oxiayal holdo od zirom O coraxo ds zildar raasy: od vabzir camliax od bahal, niiso: (missing line) salman teloch casarman holq od ti ta z chis, soba cormf i GA. Niisa bagle abramg noncp. Zacare ca od zamran: odo cicle qaa: zorge: lap zirdo noco mad, hoath iaida.

The mighty seat groaned and they were 5 thunders which flew into the East: and the eagle spoke and cried with a loud voice, come away: the house of death of whom it is measured and it is as they are, whose number is 31. Come away, for I have prepared for you. Move, therefore, and show yourselves: open the mysteries of your creation: be friendly unto me: for I am the servant of the same your God, the true worshipper of the highest.

Nonci dsonf babage od chis OB, hubaio tibibp, allar atraah od ef. Drix fafen MIAN ar enay ovof, soba dooain aai i vonph. Zacar gohus od zamran: odocicle qaa: zorge lap zirdo noco mad, hoath iaida.

O you that reign in the South and are 28, the lanterns of Sorrow, bind up your girdles and visit us. Bring down your train 3663 that the Lord may be magnified, whose name amongst you is Wrath. Move, I say, and show yourselves: open the mysteries of your creation: be friendly unto me: for I am the servant of the same your God, the true worshipper of the highest.

Napeai babagen ds brin VX ooaona Iring vonph doalim, eolis ollog orsba ds chis affa. Micma isro mad od lonshitox ds ivmd aai grosb. Zacar od zamran: odo cicle qaa: zorqe: lap zirdo noco mad, hoath iaida.

O you swords of the South which have 42 eyes to stir up the wrath of sin, making men drunken which are empty. Behold the promise of God and his power which is called amongst you a bitter sting. Move, therefore, and show yourselves: open the mysteries of your creation: be friendly unto me: for I am the servant of the same your God, the true worshipper of the highest.

Noromi bagie pasbs oiad, ds trint mirc OL thil, dods tolham caosgo homin, ds brin oroch QUAR: micma bial oiad, aisro tox dsivm aai baltim. Zacar od zamran: odo cicle qaa: zorge: lap zirdo noco mad, hoath iaida.

O you sons of fury, the daughters of the Just, which sit upon 24 seats, vexing all creatures of the earth with age, which have under you 1636: behold the voice of God, the promise of Him which is called amongst you Fury or Extreme Justice. Move, therefore, and show yourselves: open the mysteries of your creation: be friendly unto me: for I am the servant of the same your God, the true worshipper of the highest.

Ils tabaan lialprt casarman vphaai chis DARG dsocido caosgi orscor: ds omax monasci baeouib od emetgis iaiadix. Zacar od zamran: odo cicle qaa: zorge: lap zirdo noco mad, hoath iaida.

O thou the first governor of the first flame under whose wings are 6739 which know the great name Righteousness and the Seal of Honour. Move, therefore, and show yourselves: open the mysteries of your creation: be friendly unto me: for I am the servant of the same your God, the true worshipper of the highest.

Ils viuialprt, salman balt, ds acroodzi busd od bliorax balit: dsinsi caosg lusdan EMOD dsom od tliob: drilpa geh yls mad zilodarp. Zacar od zamran: odo cicle qaa: zorge: lap zirdo noco mad, hoath iaida.

O thou second flame, the house of Justice, which has your beginning in glory and shall comfort the Just: which walk the earth with feet 8763 that understand and separate creatures: great are thou in the God of Stretch Forth and Conquer. Move, therefore, and show yourselves: open the mysteries of your creation: be friendly unto me: for I am the servant of the same your God, the true worshipper of the highest.

Ils dialprt soba vpaah chis nanba zixlay dodsih od brint FAXS hubaro tastax ylsi, sobaiad vonpovnph, aldon dax ilod toatar. Zacar od zamran: odo cicle qaa: zorge: lap zirdo noco mad, hoath iaida.

O thou third flame whose wings are thorns to stir up vexation and have 7336 lamps living going before you, whose God is Wrath in Anger, gird up thy loins and harken. Move, therefore, and show yourselves: open the mysteries of your creation: be friendly unto me: for I am the servant of the same your God, the true worshipper of the highest.

Ils micaolz olpirt ialprg bliors ds odod busdir oiad ouoars caosgo, casarmg laiad ERAN brints cafafam, ds ivmd aqlo adohi moz od maoffas; bolp comobliort pambt. Zacar od zamran:Odocicle qaa: zorge: lap zirdo noco mad, haoth iaida.

O thou mighty light and burning flame of comfort which opens the glory of God to the centre of the earth, in whom the secrets of truth 6332 have their abiding, which is called in thy kingdom Joy and not be measured: be thou a window of comfort unto me. Move, therefore, and show yourselves: open the mysteries of your creation: be friendly unto me: for I am the servant of the same your God, the true worshipper of the highest.

Key of the 30 Ayres

Madriax ds praf LIL, chis micaolz saanir caosgo, od fisis balzizras iaida! Nonca gohulim, micma adoian mad, iaod bliorb, saba (soba) ooaona chis lucifitas peripsol: ds abraassa noncf netaaib caosgi od tilb adphaht damploz, tooat noncf gmicalzoma lrasd tofglo marb yarry idoigo od torzulp iaodaf, gohol: caosga tabaord saanir od christeos yrpoil tiobl, busdir tilb noalir paid orsba od dodrmni zylna. Elzap tilb parm gi peripsax od ta qurlst booapis. Lnibm ovcho symp, od christeos ag toltorn mirc q tiobl lel: ton paombd dilzmo as pian, od christeos ag I toltorn parach a symp: cordziz dodpal od fifalz Ismnad, od fargt bams omaoas: conisbra od auauox tonug: orscatbl noasmi tabges leuithmong. Vnchi omp tilb ors. Bagle? Moooah ol cordziz. L capimao ixomaxip od cacocasb gosaa: baglen pii tianta a babalond, od foargt teloc vo vim. Madriiax torzu: oadriax orocha aboapri. Tabaori priaz artabas: adrpan corsta dobix. Yolcam priazi arcoazior, od quasb qting. Ripir paaoxt sagacor: vml od prdzar cacrg aoiveae cormpt. Torzu, zacar, od zamran aspt sibsi butmona, ds surzas tia baltan. Odo cicle qaa: od ozazma plapli iadnamad.

O you heavens which dwell in the First Ayre, are mighty in the parts of the earth, and execute the judgement of the highest! To you it is said, behold the face of your God, the beginning of comfort, whose eyes are the brightness of the heavens: which provided for you the government of the earth and her unspeakable variety, furnishing you with a power understanding to dispose all things according to the providence of Him that sits on the holy throne, and rose up in the beginning saying: the earth let her be governed by her parts and let there be division in her, that the glory of her may be always drunken and vexed in it self. Her course, let it run with the heavens, and as an handmaid let her serve them. One season let it confound with another, and let there be no creature upon or within her the same: all her members let them differ in their qualities, and let there no one creature equal with another: the reasonable creatures of the earth let them vex and weed out one another, and the dwelling places let them forget their names: the work of man, and his pomp, let them be defaced: his buildings let them become caves for the beasts of the field. Confound her understanding with darkness. For why? It repents me I made man. One while let her be known and another while a stranger: because she is the bed of a harlot, and the dwelling place of him that is fallen. O you heavens arise: the lower heavens underneath you, let them serve you! Govern those that govern: cast down such as fall! Bring forth with those that increase and destroy the rotten! No place let it remain in one number: add and diminish until the stars be numbered! Arise, move, and appear before the covenant of his mouth, which he has sworn unto us id his justice. Open the mysteries of your creation: and make us partakers of undefiled knowledge.

*LIL- is the first Ayre, and the relevant Ayre can be called upon by simply inserting its name into this position. Each of the Ayres rule over three places of the old-world

earth, with the exception of tex who rules over four. This forms the 91 parts which can be found in the Liber Scientae, Auxilii, Et Victoriae Terrestris Anno 1585

The 30 Ayres

1 lil 11 ich 21 asp

2 arn 12 loe 22 lin

3 zom 13 zim 23 tor

4 pam 14 vta 24 nia

5 lit 15 oxo 25 vti

6 maz 16 lea 26 des

7 deo 17 tan 27 zaa

8 zid 18 zen 28 bag

9 zip 19 pop 29 rii

10 zax 20 chr 30 tex

YANKEE ROSE

For I testify unto every man that heareth the words of this book, it is wise to pass this scripture to the next soul after the first reading, Lucifer shall add unto him the dreams that spreads the light of this work.