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OUR AIM

The aim of The Watcher is to serve as a forum for a broad spectrum of opinion within the range of the Left-Hand Path.

Our journal is named in honour of the fabled Order of the Watchers who, under the leadership of Azazel, and at the instigation of Satan, rebelled against the tyrant-god Jehovah, descending to earth to establish familial relations with the "daughters of man". The offspring "became mighty men which were of old men of renown." (Gen. 6:1-5).

The Watchers, according to the apocraphyl Enoch, taught their wives magic and botany, while Azazel taught man the craft of metallurgy, and introduced "the evil art of cosmetics."

The tyrant-god in retaliation, brought forth The Deluge, imprisoned Azazel in the desert until the final judgement, when he will be hurled into everlasting fire, and made the Watchers look on while their children were killed. They were then bound in the valleys of the earth, so the legend goes, until the day when they will be cast into eternal torment in an abyss of fire.

Satan and The Watchers are thus symbols of rebellion against tyrannical god and moral concepts which stifle human ascent. We take our stand on the side of rebellion leading to liberation from slave religions, moralities and ideologies, the chief one being in the West at this time Judaeo-christianity, with Marxism and the Puritan money ethic (ideological liberalism) being excrescences of this heritage.

As advocates of continuing human ascent - biological, spiritual and intellectual - we adherents of the Left-Hand Path embrace the spirit of the fabled Order of Watchers for Liberty and progress. We shout:

Hail Satan!
Hail the Watchers!

"Satan is the first free-thinker and Saviour of the world. He frees Adam and impresses the seal of humanity and liberty on his forehead by making him disobedient."

-Mikhail Bakunin, Russian anarchist philosopher.

THE BIBLE IN THE BALANCE

PART I : MARRIAGE & BLOOD SACRIFICE

The two most common accusations against Satanists/Witches have traditionally been their supposed disruption, by hexing, of the christ ordained family concept (causing impotence in husbands, and so forth, ref. Maleus Malleficarum) and blood sacrifice.

It is said that The Devil quotes scripture to prove his point. Let us therefore see what the Judaeo-christian scriptures themselves have to say on the subjects of marriage, the family and blood sacrifice:

BLOOD SACRIFICE: SATANIC OR JEHOVIC?

Whether or not Satanists have inappropriately indulged in ritual killing in the past, it is a fact that blood-sacrifice is sanctioned by the Judaeo-Christian god; it is a hangover from the primitive past, a part of both pagan and Judaeo-Christian religious heritages, but where is there a specific Satanic sanctioning for it?

Turning to Genesis, we find that Jehovah was pleased with Abel's blood sacrifice, while he rejected the fruit offering of Cain, "a tiller of the ground." Genesis, Ch. 4.

Since Jehovah is supposed to possess precognition he presumably knew in advance that his rejection of Cain's noble offering would result in dispute between the brothers and lead to murder. Jehovah was therefore guilty of setting-up Cain, but nevertheless it's always his hapless human children who must take the rap for his own lunatic whims and actions.

The supremacy of blood sacrifice was therefore clearly established in the first chapter of the Old Testament, and culminates in the blood sacrifice of the tyrant-god's own alleged son in the New Testament.

In other books of the Old Testament blood sacrifice - both human and animal - is specifically sanctioned as an appropriate offering to Jehovah.

After giving birth it was commanded of Israelite women that they must bring a lamb as a burnt offering before Jehovah, and a young pigeon, or a turtledove for a sin offering, "unto the door of the tabernacle of the congregation, unto the priest: who shall offer it before the Lord and make an atonement for her; and she shall be cleansed from the issue of her blood.

"And if she be not able to bring a lamb, then she shall bring two turtles, or two young pigeons..." Lev. 12:6-8.

In accordance with a deal he made with Jehovah to "offer up as a burnt offering" the first to come from his house to meet him after slaughtering the Ammonites, Jephthah sacrificed his daughter. Judges, 11:29-39.

II Samuel records that David allowed the Gibeonites to sacrifice then sons of Saul before Jehovah to end a famine. II Samuel, 21: 1-14.

MARRIAGE AND THE FAMILY

Christians like to pose as the champions of family values.

The Christian doctrine towards the family may be discerned from

this passage in the New Testament, when Jesus sates: "Suppose ye that I am

come to give peace on earth? I tell you, nay, but rather division; for from henceforth there shall be five in one household divided, three against two, and two against three. The father shall be divided against the daughter, and the son against the father; the mother against the daughter, and the daughter against the mother; the mother-in-law against her daughter-in-law, and the daughter-in-law against her mother-in-law." Luke, 12: 51-53

Probably many of us know examples of families split apart by religious division. Here is the divine sanctioning for it, and for the religious civil wars which have afflicted Western civilization for centuries, including the present-day Irish 'troubles.'

The Christian view of marriage is elaborated upon by Paul in a really neurotic chapter of his First Epistle to the Corinthians. I Corinthians, 7: 1-9.

Paul recommends that "it is good for a man not to touch a woman." But if he really must then this must be done within marriage "to avoid fornication."

"Let every man have his own wife, and let every woman have

her own husband... but I speak this by permission, and not of commandment, for I would that all men were even as I myself... I say therefore to the unmarried and the widows, it is good for them if they abide even as I am, but if they cannot contain, let them marry: for it is better to marry than to burn."

Paul's neurotic and base discourse reduces marriage to nothing more than avoiding punishment for fornication, if one cannot contain oneself and really must associate with women.

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Fables can have much to teach us. Even the Judaeo-Christian fables can be instructive to the Satanist. While the fervent Christian hysterically condemns Satan as the instigator of the family conflict, malicious deeds against humanity, sowing discord and demanding blood sacrifice, we may turn to his own sources and expose his charges as nothing more than the projection of his tyrant-god's own foul creed upon that of his great Adversary and benefactor to humanity - Satan.

ALEISTER CROWLEY : SATANIST
by 'Thelemite'

----- HYMN TO LUCIFER -----

Ware, nor of good nor ill, what aim hath act?
Without its climax, death, what saviour 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, unkenne'd
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,
Breathed life into the sterile universe,
With Love and Knowledge drove out innocence
The Key of Joy is disobedience.

According to Israel Regardie, "anyone who says Crowley was a Satanist and a devil-worshipper should have his head examined."

Crowley's own references to Satan are stated by Regardie as being due to his desire to shock, be defiant, sarcastic or witty. (Regardie, The Eye in the Triangle).

Let us therefore consider the writings of Crowley himself to see whether the 'Satanism' of this remarkable personality can be so readily dismissed.

Crowley's literary executor and biographer, John Symonds, writes:

"Crowley's philosophy takes a bit from here and a bit from there... but... he was more a Satanist than anything else. 'I serve my great Master

Satan', he wrote in one of his franker confessions, 'and that august Council composed of Beelzebub, Lucifuge, Asmodeus, Belphegor, Baal, Adrammelech, Lilith and Nahema.': (John Symonds, The Great Beast).

RESTORING DEVIL WORSHIP

In his major work *Magick in Theory & Practice*, Crowley describes the manner in which Satan fits into his intricate cosmology:

the Aeon of Horus, which he believed he was destined and chosen to proclaim to mankind, includes the formula FIAOF of which the 'O' component is "The exalted 'Devil' (also the other secret Eye [phallic worship]) by the formula of the initiates of Horus... This 'Devil' is called Satan or Shaitan, and regarded with horror by people who are ignorant of his formula...

"... We have therefore no scruple in restoring the 'devil worship' of such ideas...

"Thus the 'Devil' is Capricornus, the Goat who leaps upon the loftiest mountains, the Godhead which, became manifest in man, makes him Aegipan, the All."

DEFINING THE DEVIL

Crowley's conception of the 'Devil' is not too far removed from that of contemporary Satanists. Crowley states that "The Devil does not exist", but then goes on to explain that "The 'Devil' is, historically, the God of any people that one personally dislikes. This has led to so much confusion of thought that the Beast 666 [Crowley] has preferred to let names stand as they are, and to proclaim simply that Aiwaz - solar-phallic-hermetic - 'Lucifer' - is his own Holy Guardian Angel [Higher Self] and 'the Devil' Satan or Hadit of our particular unit of the Starry Universe. This Serpent, Satan is not the enemy of man, but he who made gods of our race, knowing Good and Evil..."

In his ritual for the Attainment of Knowledge and Conversation of his Holy Guardian Angel, Crowley identifies himself as the servant of Satan, "the Devil, out Lord..." ... "whose number of magick is 666, the seal of his servant the Beast"(Crowley).

The occult author Kenneth Grant, a former student of Crowley's and head of an English OTO lodge, comments that "this whole ritual is an invocation of Shaitan (Satan) or Set", Crowley's aim being union "with his Angel, Shaitan-Aiwaz."

Satan is, in Crowley's cosmology, "the Sun-Father, the vibration of Life that Flames with this cosmic Energy", the solar-Phallic Current.

In a ritual "to invoke the Energies of the Aeon of Horus, the ritual of the Mark of the Beast", the powers of ShT are called forth, ShT being Set/Satan/Shaitan, on which, writes Grant, "are concentrated the magical energies of the New Aeon."

CULT OF SHAITAN

Grant, in contradiction to Regardie, writes that Crowley's Thelemic philosophy (a synthesis of Nietzscheanism, Eastern and Western mysticism, gnosticism and mythology expressed in his own powerful poetical style) is Satanic or Shaitanic.

Grant writes that Shaitan was the Chaldean form of the Egyptian Set. "The cult of Shaitan was established in Sumer by the prophet Yezid...Crowley... revived the cult of Shaitan or Set." (Grant, *Outside The Circles of Time*).

It was Shaitan whom Crowley equated with Aiwaz, his own unconscious (Holy Guardian Angel); it was Baphomet, the idol of the Templars which Crowley adopted as one of his titles, which he equates with the 'Devil' (Crowley, *777 & Other Qabalistic Writings*) and who but an inspired Satanist could write

these powerful lines (?):

"With my Hawk's head I peck at the eyes of Jesus as he hangs upon the cross.

"I flap my wings in the face of Mohammed and blind him.

"With my claws I tear out the flesh of the Indian and the Buddhist, Mongol and Din.

"Bahlasti! Ompehda! I spit on your crapulous creeds.

"Let Mary inviolate be torn upon wheels: for her sake let all chaste women be utterly despised among you!" (Liber AL).

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