THE LEGACY OF REBELLION: THE SPIRITUAL TIES BEHIND WITCHCRAFT, SATANISM, AND THE HOMOSEXUAL MOVEMENT

Arthur Evans, author of *Witchcraft & the Gay Counterculture*, was a 1970s advocate and pioneer of the Homosexual Rights movement. His 40-year-old book shows the relationship between Witchcraft and the modern Sodomite movement, and of which modern witches have stated:

"...we believe this book deserves a place within a queer cannon against civilized order. In the context of a renewed interest in the history of...the rise of Christian civilization, this book offers a significant contribution." ²

Although the book has absolutely nothing to do with scripture, without even trying it reinforces what the scriptures have taught all along – that homosexuality and witchcraft are two peas of the same pod. The two go together like a horse and carriage (not love and marriage). Where you find one, the other always follows. One may wonder why this is so, but both Witchcraft and Homosexuality represent a pinnacle in REBELLION AGAINST GOD. This is why the Bibles' stance against such things is so harsh. Interestingly, when the word "sinners" FIRST APPEARS in scripture, its making a direct reference to the inhabitants of Sodom – the Bible's first appearance of "homosexual" activity:

"But the men of Sodom were wicked and sinners before the LORD exceedingly." Gen. 13:13

After nineteenth chapter of Genesis, "Sodom" was only used in a context of its memory. The city was destroyed, but the term "sodomite" remained. It became a label for those sinners who practiced the "exceedingly" wicked sin once found behind its walls. A lust which drove the men of Sodom to seek-out and "know" other men (Gen. 19:4-5).

THE CULT OF OPPOSITION

Today, the movement within professing Christianity to somehow show that homosexuality conforms to the Bible is a MODERN CONCEPT. It has no roots in spiritual reality. To say that the scriptures somehow "approve" of homosexuality, is the same as saying the scriptures approve of witchcraft. The Lord Himself grouped these rabble-rousers together in both Leviticus and Deuteronomy where He spoke of the abominable practices of the nations roundabout Israel – practices from which the Lord desired to SEPARATE His people. Those who worshipped "Molech" were the same ones who practiced witchcraft, homosexuality, and bestiality (see Lev. 18 & 20 and Deut 18). They're all outgrowths of A REBELLIOUS SPIRIT and have nothing to do with the progression of "love," "tolerance" or Christianity. Instead of compromising with same-sex-marriage, Christians should be doing the opposite.

As far as tolerating and accepting those who practice the sins of Sodom, the scriptures show that a rise in the tolerance of homosexuality IS ALWAYS IN CONJUNCTION with a rise in tolerance for witchcraft. In other words, the rise in one can always be monitored by a rise in the other. If you observe homosexuality becoming prominent, that means witchcraft and paganism are becoming prominent. If you observe witchcraft and paganism becoming prominent, that means homosexuality is becoming prominent. THE TWO GO HAND-IN-GLOVE. For this reason, you'll find that both witchcraft and satanist groups are much more tolerant of homosexuals and much more open to embracing them. Why? Because the same spirit has always worked behind these groups. This is why the book title Witchcraft and the Gay Counterculture is so appropriate. The word "counterculture" itself defines the issue. To "counter" something means to oppose, dispute, contradict or counteract. It is indicative of an OPPOSITE FORCE. In helping to define this opposite force, author Jesper Petersen writes in his pro-Satanism book, Contemporary Religious Satanism:

"...most if not all, contemporary [satanic] groups link Satan and self explicitly and interpret Satan as a symbol, archetype or force of nature. ... In this sense and that alone modern Satanism could be called a 'CULT OF OPPOSITION' (Partridge 2004: 222) that '...cannot be understood apart from the CHRISTIAN CULTURE that provided the context for their foundation...' (la Fontaine 1999: 81)." ³ Bold caps added for emphasis.

For Americans, much of the modern liberal mindset regarding homosexuality is an outgrowth of the 1960s, "free love," "hippie" culture. An environment where drugs, sex and a disdain for authority (parents, police, God, etc.) ran rampant. During this time REBELLION AGAINST GOD AND THE BIBLE also became popular. For obvious reasons, religious Satanism, Witchcraft and homosexual-rights movements flourished and continued to make huge strides thereafter. Forces behind these movements began pushing hard to transform society into their image. Anton LaVey's The Satanic Bible was first published in 1969.4 The modern homosexual-rights movement also traces its roots to 1969.5 Three years later, the legalization of "abortion" followed, and by the late 1970s, the Ten Commandments were removed from American public schools. Have all these rapidly-falling dominoes been the result of mere coincidence? Don't kid yourself. Instead, an undercurrent of SPIRITUAL REBELLION AGAINST GOD has helped carry society to where we are today. The conjoined twins of Witchcraft and Homosexuality are simply a part of that rebellious undercurrent, or, as rightly stated earlier, "Cult of Opposition."

THE STANCE OF GODLY KINGS

Very few of the kings of Israel and Judah ever did that which was "right" in the eyes of the Lord. Most did evil throughout their reign (Saul, Rehoboam, Abijam, Jehoram, Ahaziah, Queen Athaliah, Ahaz,

Manasseh, et.al.). A handful were split in doing that which was right (Solomon, Jehoash, Amaziah, Azariah, Jotham, & Jehu). The kings which predominantly tried to followed after the Lord can be counted on one hand (David, Asa, Jehoshaphat, Hezekiah, & Josiah). One of the actions which nearly always marked the reign of a good, God-fearing king was to STAND AGAINST THE SODOMITES. Asa took his stand (1Kings 15:11-12). Jehoshaphat took his stand (1Kings 22:43&46). Josiah took his stand (2Kings 22:1-2 & 23:7).

"[11] And Asa did that which was right in the eyes of the LORD, as did David his father. [12] And he took away the sodomites out of the land, and removed all the idols that his fathers had made. [13] And also Maachah his mother, even her he removed from being queen, because she had made an idol in a grove; and Asa destroyed her idol, and burnt it by the brook Kidron. [14] But the high places were not removed: nevertheless Asa's heart was perfect with the LORD all his days." 1Kings 15:11-14

Because the scriptures are "profitable for...instruction in righteousness" (2Tim. 3:16), any nation which follows these kings in taking a stand against the abominable sin of sodomy are doing that which is right in the eyes of God. Sadly, America no longer fits this mold.

Today, Bible truth is categorized with "hate speech." That's par for the course. But the Bible has not changed, society has changed. And with it, society is trying to change social norms. Regardless, the proper role for the so-called "homosexual" is to REPENT and TURN from their sin – not revel in it with "pride," like a pig wallowing in the filth of a mud hole.

LET'S BE HONOST

Since many modern professing Christians refuse to listen to scripture, having openly embraced homosexuality and the modern same-sex marriage movement, perhaps, instead, they will listen to one who AGREES WITH THEIR SENTIMENTS. After the 2016 thrusting of same-sex marriage upon America (by then President Barak Obama); and with Bible-believing Christianity now being in the cultural crosshairs for destruction; it cannot be over emphasized that sodomy, homosexuality, and all endorsement of such sins, is SATANIC. Even the Church of Satan agrees with this statement:

"We fully accept all forms of human sexual expression between consenting adults. The Church of Satan has always accepted gay, lesbian and bisexual members since its beginning in 1966. This is addressed in the chapter 'Satanic Sex' in *The Satanic Bible* by Anton Szandor LaVey."

"Satanism condones [approves] any type of sexual activity which properly satisfies your individual desires - be it heterosexual, homosexual, bisexual, or even asexual, if you choose."

Yet the scriptures testify to those who would consider supporting such things:

"Thou shalt not follow a multitude to do evil..." Ex. 23:2

"And have no fellowship with the unfruitful works of darkness, but rather reprove them." Eph. 5:11

"And BE NOT CONFORMED TO THIS WORLD: but be ye transformed by the renewing of your mind, that ye may prove what is that good, and acceptable, and perfect, will of God." Rom. 12:2

"Now the Spirit speaketh expressly, that in the latter times SOME SHALL DEPART FROM THE FAITH, GIVING HEED TO SEDUCING SPIRITS, and DOCTRINES OF DEVILS;" 1Tim. 4:1

"Can two walk together, except they be agreed?" Amos 3:3

If there's one thing Satanists and Bible-believing Christians can agree upon, it's that OUR DOCTRINES ARE DIAMETRICALLY OPPOSED. They hate our God and we hate theirs.⁸ They hate our Bible and we hate theirs. The point is, Christians that support same-sex marriage and sodomite activity need to be honest with their beliefs:

"...How long halt ye between two opinions? if the LORD be God, follow him: but if Baal, then follow him..." 1Kgs. 18:21

Regardless of all the pro-homosexual propaganda and blather spewed by the news media in hopes of portraying sodomy as just another "alternate lifestyle" with an "alternate form of Christianity" (e.g. *The Queen James Bible*), the scriptures show the two as being MUTUALLY EXCLUSIVE. The right stand for the Christian is always AGAINST SUCH EVILS:

"And Asa did that which was right in the eyes of the LORD, as did David his father. And he took away the sodomites out of the land..." 1Kings 15:11-1

A nation that's actively seeking the face of God and desiring to be "holy" will not turn into a nation of perverted-sex-lifestyle-lovers, they will repudiate sin and wickedness because that's what Christians are supposed to do.

"Righteousness exalteth a nation: but sin is a reproach to any people." Proverbs 14:34

In closing, it's important to note that Satanism made no compromises or flip-flops in its doctrine when same-sex marriage came along, and neither did Witchcraft. Both have always supported the issue. But certain factions within professing "Christianity" have. Now, however, it is clear that both history and scripture demonstrate that Satanism, Witchcraft, and homosexuality have DEEP SPIRITUAL TIES. This means that certain modern, professing Christians now have a choice to make. Since the scriptures tell us that two cannot "walk together, except they be agreed" (Amos 3:3), these professing Christians can repent, and be honest with their beliefs that they've spiritually been in cahoots with those who are working against the Lord Jesus Christ; or they can continue to live a lie under a false pretense of "Christianity." If they choose the latter, they must also be prepared to hear the Lord Jesus Christ one day say:

"...I never knew you: depart from me, ye that work iniquity." Matt. 7:23

FOOTNOTES:

- [1] Evans, Authur. Witchcraft & the Gay Counterculture. Boston, NY: Fag Rag Books, 1978.
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- [3] Petersen, Jesper Aagaard. Contemporary Religious Satanism: A Critical Anthology. Burlington, VT: Ashgate Publishing Co., 2009. Page 2.
- [4] LaVey, Anton. The Satanic Bible. New York, NY: Avon Books, 1969.
- [5] "Introduction: Stonewall Uprising." PBS. WGBH Education Foundation, 2011. Web. http://www.pbs.org/wgbh/americanexperience/features/introduction/stonewall-intro/
- [6] From the official "Church of Satan" website www.churchofsatan.com/faq-sexuality.php
- [7] From the Chapter "Satanic Sex" of The Satanic Bible ©1969
- [8] AUTHOR'S NOTE: The Church of Satan, technically, does not believe in a literal "Devil," but other forms of modern Satanism do. And while Anton LaVey's *The Satanic Bible* does not hold a monopoly over all sects of modern professing Satanism, it does embody concepts and ideals indicative of the religion. It is also not the go-to source for understanding true Satanism. A true, and much more broad-based understanding of Satanism comes only from a study of the Bible.

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