

God's Gifts Unveiled: Shifting Your Mindset to Appreciate His Daily Blessings

There is no sugarcoating this: America is in deep, deep spiritual darkness. If she continues down this track of satanic and demonic practice, she will see the Lord's hand removed completely, and suffer greatly for it.

Need proof of the decline in America? Look no further than a recent piece in Cosmopolitan magazine which defends and promotes this abhorrent satanic ritual.

Working in conjunction with The Satanic Temple, Cosmo promotes TST's abortion ritual to their millions of followers. Abortion itself is not new to the U.S., but performing it by way of satanic ritual in one's own home is taking an already deadly practice and making it worse.

The outlet states, "At first glance, The Satanic Temple's new telehealth venture, named after Supreme Court Justice Samuel Alito Jr.'s mom, seems like a social experiment in trolling. But as Cosmo reports, the fully credentialed clinic is serving real patients and has a real chance of breaking the religious right's grip on abortion law."

Never mind the glorification of child sacrifice to Baal. Never mind the blood-red theme of the webpage that turns "T's" upside-down when you scroll so they resemble inverted crosses. Never mind the exposure of a satanic ritual to millions of women around the world. This article reads as if it were written by Satan himself.

Attacking the “religious right” as though TST are the ardent defenders of freedom in America, Cosmo makes the same case that Satan does in deceiving people about the mission of this group really is.

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“Never mind that Satanists don’t actually worship the devil. There are no ritual sacrifices or quests for supernatural powers at TST. In reality, Satanism is a nontheistic faith in which TST’s roughly 1.5 million global members view Satan more like a mascot, one depicted not as a dark, omniscient deity but as a literary character—a venerable symbol of rebellion, rational inquiry, personal sovereignty, and resistance against tyranny. Followers champion science, religious diversity, and the separation of church and state, says Chalice Blythe, an ordained minister of Satan and the group’s spokesperson for reproductive rights.”

These are the exact same tenets being pushed by the radical, Marxist left.

Articles such as this are causing TST to grow in popularity in America, as radical groups who support the transgender ideology have already adopted many of their principles.

Still don’t believe me? Look at the trans-satanic designer that Target hired which caused a large backlash against the retailer. Yet Cosmo’s article will reach just as many, and convince them that Satanism really isn’t that bad, that Satanists are merely fighting against oppressors and those who want to take away women’s rights.

Nothing could be further from the truth.

While giving a step-by-step guide in what to do in the article, the focus of the ritual is clear: oneself.

Using the same tactic that worked against Adam and Eve, Satan still deceives humans by appealing to their sense of pride and narcissism.

It is not cliché to say that America needs to corporately repent of her sins against God, but not enough Christian leaders are saying it. The church needs to stand up and trust in the power of God to effect change, not please the ears of people who want to avoid confrontation.

Jesus confronted sin and death and won. Christians have that same power given to them by the Holy Spirit. It is time to use it to fight this very real spiritual war taking place. Lives are literally at stake if they do not.

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Target Doubles Down On Christmas 'Pride' Campaign

In the war-torn region of Gaza, a remarkable story is unfolding, echoing the biblical prophecies of the end times. According to Christian professor Michael Licona, more than 200 Muslim men have experienced life-altering visions of Jesus in their dreams, leading them to embrace Christianity.

Licona, a New Testament Studies professor at Houston Christian University, shared this extraordinary account through a Facebook post:

As the world is consumed by wars and rumors of more wars going through what appear to be birthing pains, Christians take note: the Lord said these things would be happening, and that it would get worse.

Yet in the darkness of a world that is rejecting God in new ways each day, there is a promise of hope and an outpouring of God that is to wash across the barren earth.

Acts 2 tells of the words spoken by the prophet Joel, saying that we can expect amazing revelations given by the power of the Holy Spirit to those living through these times where rejection of our Maker is increasing in frequency and severity.

According to the Scripture, “‘In the last days it shall be,’ says God, ‘that I will pour out My Spirit on all flesh; your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, your young men shall see visions, and your old men shall dream dreams.’”

Prophet Charlie Shamp, Co-Founder and President of Destiny Encounters International, shared a prophetic vision the Lord gave him regarding the leadership of the United States who made the declaration, “America is a nation of Pride.”

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“I was taken in a prophetic vision where I saw the 46th president of the United States. I observed with keen interest that this man’s feet were not made of sturdy flesh and bone, but rather, they were composed of fragile clay.

“Without warning, a rock, seemingly hurled by an unseen force, struck his clay feet with such force that it shattered the delicate balance he had maintained. The impact was so great that he was instantly toppled, falling to the ground in a cloud of dust and debris.

“Then, the Spirit of the Lord spoke, His voice resonating like a thunderclap in the silence that followed the president’s fall. He declared with an authority that was both awe-inspiring and terrifying, ‘The man who stood tall and proud before you will fall and will not rise a second time. His reign is at an end.’

“The Spirit continued, His voice filled with a stern warning, ‘I am removing him due to his pride, for pride precedes a fall.’ The vision ended as abruptly as it had begun, leaving behind a clear message of divine intervention at hand.

As with all things, Christians should abide by Paul’s instruction in 1 Thessalonians 5:19-21: “Do not quench the Spirit. Do not despise prophecies. Examine all things. Firmly hold onto what is good.”

What would the fulfillment of such a prophecy bring with it in America? Time will tell, but in the meantime, God is in control of today and the coming trials. In that, we can take peace and solace until the Lord returns for His people.

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Church of England Facing Potential Disestablishment

In a recent Charisma News interview with Pastor Mike Shreve, the dangers of engaging in practices like astral projection and mantra chanting are brought to light from a Christian

perspective based on specific chapters in the Bible.

It is essential for Christians to understand the spiritual risks associated with these activities and how they conflict with biblical teachings.

Astral Projection: A Deceptive Spiritual Realm

Pastor Shreve shared his personal experience with astral projection during his time as a yoga teacher. He described spending long hours in meditation, chanting mantras and attempting to explore the supernatural world. He explained that he had left his physical body and entered a spiritual realm.

This experience led him to a profound realization: there is a realm that exists between the heavens and Earth, a realm never explicitly addressed in Scripture. This realm, often overlooked, is described as the second heaven. The Bible explicitly refers to Satan as the “prince of the power of the air.” This implies that Satan operates in a spiritual realm that is subtly higher than the Earth’s physical atmosphere. Any pursuit of supernatural experiences outside of Christ opens the door to satanically inspired deceptions.

In Pastor Shreve’s understanding, this second heaven is a domain dominated by angelic and satanic activity. It is a realm where spiritual battles unfold, and demonic influence is pervasive. Attempting to penetrate this supernatural world through practices like astral projection inevitably leads to deception, as the realm is ruled by Satan.

Mantra Chanting: A Misguided Path

Chanting mantras is another practice that appears harmless on the surface to many who practice it. However, Pastor Shreve draws a parallel between mantra chanting and the Bible’s warning against “vain repetitions.” In Matthew 6:7, Jesus specifically cautioned against using empty, repetitive words

in prayer, as the heathen do.

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The core of the issue with mantra chanting is the belief that it can control an impersonal force or power. This practice treats God as if He were a machine, responding to the right code or incantation. However, the Bible teaches that God is a personal being, not a force to be manipulated.

When we pray and communicate with God, it should be a dynamic, creative expression of our thoughts, needs and worship. God is not swayed by monotonous repetition; He desires a genuine, personal connection with His children.

The Biblical Way: A Personal Encounter with God

Pastor Shreve emphasizes that rather than attempting to penetrate the supernatural through astral projection or manipulate divine forces through mantra chanting, Christians have a unique and true path to God.

When one is born again in Christ, the Holy Spirit enters their heart, bridging the gap between humanity and divinity. God's longing for a personal relationship with humanity is evident, as stated in John 3:16: "For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish, but have eternal life." This highlights His unwavering love and desire for an intimate connection with us.

The dangers of astral projection and mantra chanting are clear when viewed through the lens of biblical truth. These practices can lead to spiritual deception and undermine the unique, personal relationship Christians have with the living God through Jesus by the power of the Holy Spirit. The Bible warns against engaging in occult practices and emphasizes the importance of seeking God in the way He intended, through

faith in Jesus Christ.

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Arizona Preacher Shot in Head While Sharing the Gospel

The recent illumination of the iconic Christ the Redeemer statue in Rio de Janeiro to celebrate Taylor Swift's tour has ignited discussions about the appropriateness of using a symbol of Jesus Christ for secular purposes.

While the initiative aimed to bring joy to fans and coincide with the World Day of the Poor (by collecting donations of food and water for the needy), it raises questions about the alignment of such practices with biblical teachings on the sanctity and holiness of God.

One key consideration is the nature of Taylor Swift's music, which has been known to incorporate new age and occult themes in her music videos. The Bible warns against participating in practices contrary to God's holiness and calls believers to focus on what is pure, lovely and praiseworthy (see Phil. 4:8). Using a statue of Jesus Christ to celebrate an artist known for such themes raises concerns about whether it honors the Lord who sacrificed His life for mankind's sins.

The Bible also cautions against idolatry, emphasizing that believers should worship the one true God. Using Christ the Redeemer, a symbol of Jesus Christ's sacrifice, to project

imagery from secular songs may be perceived as blurring the lines between sacred and secular, potentially compromising the reverence due to God.

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Furthermore, the Bible encourages believers not to conform to the patterns of the world but to be transformed in Jesus Christ (Rom. 12:2). While cultural engagement is important, the question arises: Does projecting secular imagery onto a religious monument align with the biblical call to live as lights in the world (Matt. 5:14)? Christians are prompted to reflect on how such practices contribute to the broader cultural narrative and whether they uphold the distinctive values of the Christian faith.

As Swift's tour continues, the celebration extends to landmarks like Rio's giant Ferris wheel, featuring lyrics from her hits, which none have taken issue with thus far. While creative and engaging for fans, the broader Christian community may grapple with the tension between cultural engagement and maintaining a commitment to honor and reflect the holiness of God in actions and choices.

The controversy surrounding the illumination of Christ the Redeemer invites Christians to consider the implications of using sacred symbols for secular celebrations. The debate calls for a thoughtful exploration of how cultural engagement aligns with biblical principles, emphasizing the need for discernment and a commitment to uphold the sanctity of God in all aspects of life.

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