

Morning Rundown: 'Star Wars: Ahsoka' Steeped in Witchcraft and the Occult

Here's a quick rundown of today's top stories on :

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In a galaxy far, far away, a beloved franchise has taken an unsettling turn.

The latest installment of "Star Wars: Ahsoka" has left fans and concerned parents alike questioning the direction of this iconic saga. While "Star Wars" has always explored mythical archetypes, the new series delves into occult, witchcraft and pagan themes that are not sitting well with many viewers.

For those who haven't delved deep into the extended "Star Wars" canon, the concept of witchcraft and pagan rituals may seem foreign to the series. After all, the Force, as explained by Obi-Wan Kenobi in "A New Hope," is described more in Eastern and Buddhist terms as "an energy field created by all living things. It surrounds us, penetrates us, and binds the galaxy together." However, as the franchise expanded, storytellers built upon this foundation.

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John Hagee: 'We Stand With Israel in Her Darkest Hour'

No matter where the government of the United States—or its President—stands on the subject, Pastor John Hagee says that, as believers, we must stand alongside Israel to fight the

forces of darkness and terrorism, now and forever.

More than 48 hours after the Palestinian terrorist group Hamas launched a brutal and surprising attack—much like Japan did on Pearl Harbor in 1941—that killed more than 900 Israelis, Hagee released a video Monday condemning the despicable act that has received more than 113,000 views.

The founder and chairman of Christians United for Israel, Hagee, who wrote books about Israel titled “In Defense of Israel” (2007) and “Jerusalem Countdown” (2006), says there is “no room for equivocation or daylight between America and Israel” right now.

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We Must Receive This Word on Sexual Purity

As a young person in high school, I read a book called “Passion and Purity” by a woman named Elisabeth Elliot. Her friend at the time in college, Jim Elliot, would later become her husband, and they would go on to becoming missionaries to an indigenous tribe in South America.

Jim became a martyr early on in their married life. He and several other men landed in a plane in this remote village, and were killed and cannibalized by the tribe they were trying to reach. Later, Elisabeth would go back to that tribe herself and bring them Jesus.

Early on in their relationship, Jim and Elisabeth, as friends, were both seeking the call of God on their life and weighing their real feelings for each other. Elizabeth wrote this book about her passion for purity and Jim’s real struggles, their conversations, personal letters and thoughts related to this topic. It was so impactful for me as a young person that I pledged my life to be set apart in this way.

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