

Rise of the Occult: Derek Prince Reveals What Will Bring the Antichrist

In October of 1989, the late Bible teacher Derek Prince delivered a sermon in Bromley, England, titled “True and False Christ.” Now, decades later, his message resonates with alarming relevance as society witnesses an explosion of occult practices and permissive moral decline. Prince’s Scriptural insights offer a sobering perspective on the cultural climate that prepares the way for the Antichrist—a perspective that feels startlingly prophetic in today’s world.

Prince began by referencing Paul’s warning in 2 Timothy 3: “Now as Jannes and Jambres resisted Moses, so do these also resist the truth.” He noted that Jannes and Jambres, the magicians of Egypt, were practitioners of the occult, emphasizing that “the battle was not on the level of theology; it was on the level of power.” This distinction shows us a critical reality: as this age draws to a close, theological arguments alone will not suffice. Instead, believers must demonstrate a power greater than that wielded by the enemy, the power of the Holy Spirit. Prince’s observation holds a mirror to the present, where supernatural themes saturate popular culture, from movies and TV shows to social media trends like “WitchTok,” a TikTok community centered on witchcraft and occult practices.

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“One of the major features of this period is an explosion of the occult,” Prince warned. He described a society characterized by “the deterioration of human character, a lot of nominal Christianity that doesn’t exhibit its power, and an

explosion of the occult.” These words echo in today’s widespread fascination with the supernatural. Celebrities openly engage in rituals, tarot readings and astrology, while television series and films glamorize witchcraft, demonic possession and sorcery. This normalization of the occult mirrors the cultural shift Prince foresaw—a shift that undermines biblical values and invites spiritual deception.