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Dedication

To all agents of evangelization who have been fighting tirelessly in proclaiming the word of God to all the people of God. To all Christian martyrs who have died in defending their Christian faith. Moreover, I would like to dedicate this work to all people, in one way or another, who have been once victims of the power of the devil, knowingly or without their knowledge, but now they are served by the power of our Lord Jesus Christ.

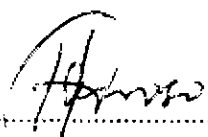
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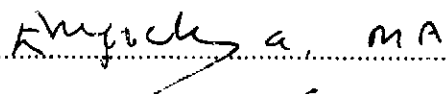
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List of Abbreviations

AD	Anno Domino
Ed	Editor
DEOs	District Education Officer's
DOS	District Officer's
Dr	Doctor
H/m's	Headmaster/mistresses
Ibid	Ibidem
MI	Ministerium Infermerium
NGO	Non Governmental Organizations
No	Number
P	Page
SDA	Seventh Day Adventist
SJ	Society of Jesus
Vol.	Volume

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PREFACE:

People have tried to dismiss Satanism, saying that Satan is only a construction of the Christian church; so, Satanism is only an invention of Christianity. That is missing the broader point. Christians didn't invent Satanism. There is always a Satan, an adversary in every culture. There is always a figure who reprints dark side, the **unexplored** realms, the prideful beast who defies the norms.

Satan has permeated every strata of society insidiously. He has infiltrated sacred and educational institutions, political movements, social and intellectual gatherings and NGO'S.

Those who are involved with Satan are known as " Devil Worshipers". They come from all status; the rich and the poor alike. The devil is the fallen angel and his kingdom; his attraction is temporary and passing.

Devil from the Greek word (diabolos) means divider, and Satan from the Hebrew. The bible mentions sixty five times the wiles of deceits of Satan, the devil, the evil one, and prince of this world. The attractions to devil worship are riches, power and prestige. As great as the devil powers are however, they are under the dominion of Christ who has imparted to his Church the power to forgive sins and to drive out demons.

The Religion prescribes certain Rites, and these rites are always bloody.

The popular Hollywood portrayal of the Satanist is that of the blood drinking and baby killing Monster, reciting the black mass and having lots of orgies. Serving a deity that can manifest itself in all sorts of powerful and scary forms. Practicing magic, casting spells and having the power of the supernatural available at their finger tips.

The Satanists claim that Christians waste their lives in prayer and submission.

God on the other hand, generally represents conventionality predictability, the safety of normality, and the comfort of the larger group and the rewards of staying within the bonds of propriety.

In Kenya, Satanism and devil worship is not without mention. The Kenyan government's setting up a committee which was later elevated to a commission of inquiry to look into satanic practices proves that the constant claims and allegations of cultism and devilish rituals were serious enough to warrant serious investigations from as early as 1994.

GENERAL INTRODUCTION

In the recent past, more especially starting from the beginning of 90's to this present time, there has been widespread and continuous stories about kidnapping, disappearances of children, mysterious killings of people in different parts of the country with their bodies being found without some body parts, or some organs removed, or mutilated, etc. Moreover, a sacrifice of human beings accompanies all these stories.

However, these stories about killings, kidnappings and mysterious disappearances of small children are believed to be carried out by members of a secret cult of the devil worshippers who believe in sacrificing human beings, especially children when performing their ceremonial rituals.

The situation has brought a lot of worries and confusion in our society, moreover, parents are worrying about the lives of their children especially when they are out for school as it is said that most of those events of kidnappings occur during day time when the children are going or coming from school.

The whole society however, is trying to find the truth about the whole issue, even the government as the state organ that has the mandate to protect the lives of the people, is not silent on this issue. To show the seriousness and concern about it, the government has gone ahead and formed the "Presidential Commission of Inquiry" to try to find out and study devil-worshipping activities in Kenya.

This Commission was appointed by the then president Moi on October 21, 1994, chaired by Archbishop Nicodemus Kirima of Nyeri archdiocese. So, on the Nation News Paper of August 4, 1999, the report of the Presidential Commission of the Inquiry came up with the results that it is true that 'Devil Worship Exists in Kenya.' The commission therefore recommended the setting up of a special police force to investigate occult crimes. But despite of all these efforts by the government, there are still a lot of these mysterious killings and disappearing of children that are associated with devil worshipping activities and moreover, the government is doing nothing to stop or condemn them.

Purpose of Choosing this Topic

Truly, the report by the government is telling us of the existence of devil worship in our society, but it is not giving us all the necessary information that can help us to fight against it or to avoid being trapped. Moreover, being an agent of evangelization, and Christian in faith, it is my duty and obligation to find out the truth of it as an individual so that I may help the people of God to be cautious and be aware about any manipulations and tricks which the agents of the devil use to gain new members. Furthermore, this people, devil worshippers are enemies of Christ, so they can use all means to win new converts; they promise material wealth and all that associated with it. So, I hope that my little research on this issue will help me to get more insights and knowledge which will help me and also I will use to help our faithful Christians to be more diligent and watchful and fight against any

signs or movements that may manipulate them in order to join this devilish movement.

Methodology

Initially I had planned to set up questionnaires and send them to different categories of people so that they would give me some information or their views on the issue, but then after many a random attempts to question people, inquiring people like priests, university students, some school teachers and so on, everybody was hesitant to talk about it; there was a lot of fear and suspicions. However, I used a method of discussing with some individual members of the public who were willing to talk with me about it. Most of them told me that this issue is sensitive because many “big” people are involved, don’t involve yourself to it, is too risky. So, I depended on reading from relevant literatures, Internet link, visiting some alleged places whereby it is claimed that members of devil worship used to socialize. I contacted also some recorded information from videocassettes by UKWELI Video production and so on.

Limitations

Since the movement of devil worship is very secretive and strange organization which is unfamiliar to many people, it became very hard for me to face individuals directly and inquire anything concerning having any knowledge about it. Moreover the movement is illegal so it was for me to be very cautious not to associate anybody with it otherwise I might prosecuted. To show you how difficulty

it was for me to get information, I happened to write a letter to His Grace Archbishop Nicodemus Kirima of archdiocese of Nyeri, asking an audience with him so that we could discuss some matters of this issue, but I didn't get any reply. If you need a copy, is available.

Further still, even the Commission of Inquiry set by the government when going to visit these alleged places or some individuals who were implicated, they went with government security personnel. So, for me it became more difficult to face some individuals. Even up to to-date secrecy surrounds the findings of the team that was led by Archbishop Nicodemus Kirima. Therefore, this is to show you how limited I was in my research. Then one university lecturer advised me to open a web site address and send my appeal to the public to send through it to me any information anonymously. It was a good idea, but where could I get money! I was very much incapacitated in my research.

Contents

This work is divided into six chapters as follows: Chapter one of this essay focuses on the “ Genesis of Evil”, my interest here is to try briefly to find out where really the source of evil came from since we Christians believe that God created everything good (Genesis 1:31). Mostly I shall base my references on the Bible and also I shall refer to other traditions like African traditions, some Near East pagan cultures like Mesopotamia, Canaan and Egypt. Note that the intention of this chapter is to make a bridge to help me to enter smoothly to my main subject matter that is ‘Devil Worship’ which is the predecessor of evil. In the chapter two I will

talk about the rising if Satanism in amore detailed way especially its historical development. The third chapter is all about the nature of this creature devil and reason why people do worship him.

In the chapter four it is considering other selected few associations that are suspected to be devil worshippers due to the way they conduct their activities. Such associations are many but here I select only two; the Freemasons and Halloweeners, as our example. Chapter five will give some few testimonies given out by some individuals who have happened to be involved in the cult of devil worship but now they are saved. The aim of this chapter is to show you that devil worship is something real in our midst and not creation of mind as some other people claim. Last but not least, chapter six shall consider church's position over the issue and give you some practical recommendations on the problem of devil worship. In the appendix you shall find some common symbols that the Satanists use in their endeavor.

CHAPTER ONE

1.0 THE GENESIS OF EVIL:

1.1 Introduction:

Evil has been a major problem in the world since generations and generations past up now. Many wise people from different cultures and traditions, even pagan myths had tried to hypothesize about where is the real source of evil, but no body came up with a certain, concrete findings. It becomes more difficult especially for Christians and many other non-Christian cultures who believe that God created everything, and everything is good.

So, in this chapter I am perusing some few cultures and see what they believe about the source of evil. Furthermore, the Bible shall be my center of reference though I shall refer to others sources like some of the near East Pagan Cultures and some African traditions and Religions

1.2 From The Near East Pagan Culture Foundation:

The concept of evil and its origin is not only found and understood in a Christian biblical world, but also is found in other pagan cultures like those of the Near East and the Mediterranean areas like Babylon, Mesopotamia, and Egypt. Evil and its origin has been also a real major problem for them since long time ago in the history. Moreover, the people of these areas put all their blames about evil as

something caused, or rather coming from outside. They claim to be irresponsible whatever any evil and its consequences happened in their community.

For example, In Mesopotamian myth of creation of man, Gilgamesh epic gives us profound example of how evil and its effects came to happen in their community.

Here below is the epic;

“ Gilgamesh is the hero of the city of Uruk. To counter balance his power, the gods create a monster, Enkidu, who lives with the wild animals. On the advice of a huntsman, a sacred prostitute offers herself to him. He goes with her for six days and seven nights, and then sated, he wants to return to the wild animals, but they flee. Enkidu wants to follow them, but this is impossible. He has lost his strength but he has become a man.”¹

However, haunted by the idea of death, Gilgamesh leaves in search of immortality. The hero of the flood reveals to him the existence of a herb of life. Gilgamesh succeeds in plucking it from the abyss and wants to take it to his city. He goes for two days and stopped. He saw a well whose water was cool. He went down into it to bath in the water. *“A serpent sniffed the fragrance of the plant. Silently it came up from the earth and carried off the plant; immediately it shed its old skin. There upon Gilgamesh sat down and wept, his tears running down over his face”.*²

The tale appears in Sumerian times and is known to have been written down soon 2000 B.C. Gilgamesh was a real person, ruling at Uruk. The man Enkidu, his fall

¹. Etienne Charpentier, *How to Read the Old Testament*, London, SCM Press Ltd, 1981. P. 40

². Etien Charpenter, P. 41

from his innocence is sexual, a seduction by a harlot, and thereafter, though the outcome for him is civilization, he loses his happy association with natural world.³

Moreover, the serpent played a prominent role in this mythology as you can learn from the Gilgamesh epic. Even In Egypt, the serpent opposed the sun god during the night, trying to prevent him from rising.

In Ancient Egypt God was known as 'RE,' which literally means 'sun' created everything by the decree of his heart.⁴

Let us also see briefly the Babylonians theodicy,

*"The king of the gods, creator of mankind, the god Ea who modeled their clay, the goddess who fashioned them, gave man a perverse spirit, they gave him for ever not truth, but lie."*⁵

So, Babylon remains a mystery of iniquity and is the spring of all iniquity that ever appears either openly or even secretly in the conscience.

From the above examples, evil therefore is the result of the powerful forces which enters into the dominion of human beings, take possession over their life and control them, leaving them helpless. Human beings find themselves into the situation that was not theirs before.

1.3 Biblical Foundation on the Origin of Evil:

³ . J. M. Roberts, *History of the World*, London, Penguin Group, 1976. P. 87

⁴ .J.M.Roberts, P. 79

⁵ . Etienne Charpentier, P. 42

In his Revelation God tells us who He wishes to be for what and us we are allowed to be for him. Between God and us there exists a relation of Creator to creatures, by creating us in his image, (Genesis 1:29). That relation supposes that we give a response to God's invitation, a welcoming response in faith or a declining response in sin.

Unfortunately, since from the very beginning, human beings almost asserted their free will by rebelling against God rather than obeying him. In the first four chapters of the book of Genesis, provide us with one of the most magnificent explanation of why it happened that man chose to rebel against God and what was the consequence. They attempt, veiled in the language of symbols, give an explanation of the meaning of human life, as God wanted it to be, however, they give us the theological and spiritual reflections on why human beings encounter difficulties and sufferings in their efforts to realize their own destinies.

Furthermore, in the book of Genesis we find that humanity is given and treated as the central part of the whole of the creation. Human being is crowned and treated at the highest point. Quoting the book of Genesis, Fr`ere Ivan in his book, *Desert and the City*, writes;

*" In the day that the Lord God made the earth and the heavens, when no plant of the field was yet in the earth and no herb of the field had yet sprung up.... then the Lord God formed man from the dust of ground and breathed in to his nostrils the breath of life; and then man became a living Being. "*⁶

So, humans are seen as being at the summit and center of the universe. They are at

⁶ . Fr`ere Ivan, *Desert and the City*, Kildaren Ireland, St. Paul's, 1993, P. 27

the highest point of a great upward sweep. They blossom as a fulfillment, giving sense to all that has gone before, but they are destined to lead the way to something new, having received in their nostrils the mystery breath of God.

This passage above gives a hint, as Fr`ere Ivan sees, the possibility of disaster because human beings are born of the earth, fashioned from clay in the same way as every other animals, yet they bear themselves a “breath” which comes from God, and which destined them to same greater end. More so, it is the breath of the spirit, the breath of the freedom, of a consciousness open to the infinity God that human beings are given by God. Created free beings, humans are called into communion with God to attain to the supremely spiritual condition of friendship with God sharing in his life and his divine nature itself.

Yet, despite this “breath” of consciousness and freedom, in the same time there exists within them a strong upward urge towards freedom from self, arising from that liberty which is called to move towards God and to prone itself more and more to be the means to communion with God. Thus, from the outset, human beings are divided and torn apart within, reaching out towards a destiny which is only realized in a very hazardous way, since it is dependent on their freedom.

Genesis three story of the temptation tries to make accessible the drama of human liberty;

“Now the serpent was more crafty than any other wild animal that the Lord God had made. He said to a woman, ‘Did God say you shall not eat from any tree in the garden?’” (Genesis 3:1)

In this instant, occurs that great rupture which brought the dichotomy within human beings and which was to lead to deep - rooted disintegration of the Personality. From this moment human beings have lost their inner unity.

Eve eats the forbidden fruit, an act of material disobedience. But in fact this passage provides a much deeper analysis. Before the material act of disobedience there was a decision, a choice that is of much greater important. It is spiritual sin, sin of pride.

Satan had in fact given Eve this hope, “ You will be like God.... knowing good and evil” (Genesis 3:5). This is spiritual pride per se. Human beings refuse to accept God’s laws, claiming the right to govern themselves and to decide what is good and right, insisting on complete freedom from God.

Further, Satan is seen as playing a leading role in this perversion of the human intelligence. Satan is he who suggests that the divine law against eating the fruit of the tree of life is a plot devised by God to prevent human beings from being like him, “knowing good and evil” (Genesis 3:4). So, here Satan presents God as a rival to human beings by every means at his disposal. God here becomes evil being, a tyrant whose power is to destroy!

Now, the points above enable us to understand the truly spiritual roots of the spiritual pride which is misguided, demands for autonomy, personal greatness and self - worship. This demand leads to spiritual rebellion expressed in the concrete material refusal to obey laws established by transcendental wisdom, who is God.

Moreover, as a result of it all, our world is made a 'broken world' doomed to tragedy and death. Separation and hatred among the family members becomes the order of the day, for example, Adam after sinning, separated from Eve; "the woman whom you gave to be with me, she gave me the fruit from the tree, and I ate"(Genesis 3:12). Eve who was born of his flesh, with whom he had lived in transparency of perfect union, has been made into an object, a stranger, a temptress, and the accomplice of the great adversary.

Another typical rupture described in Genesis three is of the ties of human kingship: Cain kills his brother Abel. The deep-seated rift between man and man, initiates a new mode of existence for humanity that is no longer one of communion but of opposition. Again, ultimate root of evil is; tension, divisions, hatred, murders, etc. Therefore, evil is that attitude that human beings have in front of God, refusing his love. Human evil is a personal fault. In Genesis three, we see human beings placed themselves on unnatural situation. Sin is not God's fault. Creation is good. Even the serpent is only the 'tempter' He is not who fault but he is only suggesting. The root of evil is within human being, the matter of choice.

1.4 Mystery - Babylon of the Bible:

In the book of Genesis chapter eleven, Babylon appears and is portrayed as a mystery of all iniquities, as She has been appeared in the Babylonian myth because she was given a perverse spirit by the goddess during creation. So Babylon became a source of all evils forever;

“ And the whole earth was of one language and one speech. And it came to pass that as they journeyed eastward that they found a plain in the land of Shiner and they dwelt there. And they said, come; let us build a city and tower whose top may reach unto heaven. And let us make a name, lest we be scattered abroad on the face of the earth.” (Genesis 11:4 - 5)

The first element in this enterprise that developed in Babylon is pride. “ *Let us make a name*” This characteristic present Babylon as the most proud, and extremely selfish. Moreover, this pride manifests itself against the Lord (Jeremiah 50:29, 31 – 32); however, it was at Babel that there was established the first kingship and kingly power of state, kingdom and empire. “ Nimrod begun to be a might one” ... or was the first might one in the earth. And the beginning of the kingdom was Babel and Erech and Accad and Calneh in the land of shiner.” (Genesis 10:8 - 10)

This still in the same spirit of pride that the kingdoms were started, proudly against the Lord and of violently fronting against him (God). Before God, no ruler bore or claimed the title or dignity of king.

The name Nimrod signifies “rebellion, supercilious, contempt, or an extremely impious rebel.” Nimrod asserted his authority over religion along with all other this and compelled all within the dominion to be of the idolatrous religion, which he dictated.

Babylon is not a geographical place, but rather, Babylon is a spiritual degeneration of condition of man. So, the real Babylon of the bible is always a mystery, always the working of unseen forces, is the spiritual and intellectual forces of the natural world.

The king of Babylon is and has always been none, but than Satan.

1.5 African Understanding of the Origin of Evil:

African people are much aware of evil in the world, and in various ways they endeavor to fight it. However, concerning the source of evil, many societies agree that God did not create or cause evil, nor does He do them any evil whatsoever. Some societies see evil as originating, or associated with spiritual beings other than God. But other societies thought spirits to be not only source of evil but also agents of evil. Therefore, all evil now comes that lot. Part of this concept is a personification of evil itself. Thus, kinds of a dual exist, between good and evil forces in the world.

Here below we shall see what the Kikuyu community says about the source of evil as one example from African understanding of the source of evil.

1.5.1 Kikuyu Concept of the Origin of Evil:

There is a belief in Kikuyu that illness is carried to the people by some kind of evil spirits. These evil spirits are believed to conceal themselves in the bushes round the homesteads; and when they want to launch a mass attack on the people they are carried by winds from one homestead to another.⁷ On this occasion, the evil spirits are said to travel during the day. On the outbreak of an epidemic or illness, the cause of which people cannot clearly understand nor find any effective remedies in their wide range of herbal treatments, the elders of various grades meet to consult seers and diviners to find out how they can relieve the people from their suffering.

⁷ . Jomo Kenyatta, *Facing Mount Kenya*, London, Secker Warburg, 1974, P. 260

In this consultation it is reported that medical aid has failed and that physical force has to be applied against the enemy. Here it is then decided that the only way to get rid of such a malady is to prepare a real fight with the evil spirits which have so unkindly brought suffering upon the community.

It is ritually considered that the evening is the best time to wage war against the evil spirits. They are then believed to be round about the unfortunate homesteads, so as to be able to make records of their victims.⁸ The most favorable moment for the ritual fight is when the moon comes out, about seven o'clock in the evening. So, for the Kikuyu, evil, misfortunes and all that causes suffering to human beings originates from outside man, and is caused by evil spirits.

1.5.2 African Religion and the Concept of the Source of Evil:

In African Religion, "Sin", or "Evil", is expressed by the concept of 'Wrong - doing', 'badness' or destruction of life. Sin is always attached to wrong - doer and, ultimately wrong - doer is a human person. The sense here, then, is that sin and evil do not and cannot exist in human experience except as perceived in people. It is people who are evil or sinful, whether or not they are aided by invisible forces. For even when invisible forces intervene in human life to cause harm, it is more often than not because they are used by evil people or are manipulated by forces on earth.

Peter Wasswa in his book; *African Theology in The contemporary Context*,

⁸ . Magesa Laurent, *African religion/Moral Traditions of Abundant Life*, Maryknoll, Orbis Books, New York, 1997, P. 150

gives us his a profound contribution on this matter when he says, "*Based on various studies on African beliefs, evil spirits belong to a category of being which include ancestral spirits which have turned out to be evil, and then plus world of evil spirits.*"⁹

However, it is perceived that life - force is understood to be diffused in all parts of the human body, but it is believed to be more concentrated in some parts than in others. Blood is believed to have a very high concentration of the power of life, so much so that it is often identified with life itself. Consequently, are the many taboos surrounding blood as well as the function of sharing blood in covenant blood - pact or blood - friendships and in assuring transitions through the critical stages of life.

Furthermore, just as vital power is diffused in all parts of the body and yet more concentrated in some, so is the power that leads to wrong - doing. In this latter respect the head, the heart, the stomach and the eyes are particularly significant.

With various African peoples, harmful intentions originate from one or the other of these organs because once again this is where the concentration forces for possible wrong - doing is to be found. On account of their vital properties, the same elements in animals can also be used to harm humans.

These insights will help us to understand why devil worshippers use blood, or some other parts of the human bodies especially heart, of the victim when they offer human sacrifices, therefore, the connection obvious.

⁹ . Wasswa Peter, *African Christian theology*, Kisubi, Marianum Publishing, 2002. P. 218

1.6 Conclusion:

I dedicated chapter one fully in trying to find out where is real the source of evil comes from if God created everything good and behold it was very good (Genesis 1:31).

So, we have seen from these few sources and from other traditions i.e. pagan, non-Christian's traditions from the near East and that of the Christian tradition, that God is not at all the source of evil in the world. Man wants to be independent from God and this brings doom to his/her life. Others put their blame into spirits like Kikuyu and any other source, but not on God. Hence, God is never the source of evil in the world.

However, it is still a puzzle to many since God created everything good, but not let us put our blames on God.

CHAPTER TWO

2.0 THE RISE OF SATANISM

2.1 Introduction:

Satan is God's great enemy both to Christians and Moslems. However, Satan is worshiped in many least expected places all over the world. In London, for instance, followers from various social status groups meet at Kensington town to attend the black mass. In America, the headquarters of Satanism is the church of Satan in San Francisco, California.

According to recent TV and radio broadcasts, two million children a year are reported missing, many too young to be run away and five thousand unidentifiable bodies of children are found each year in the US.¹⁰

Moreover, Satanism is a very well organized religion, though secretive, all over the world. It has wide followers all over the world and all its teachings are well reasoned out to appeal to all sorts of people. Satanism is the source of all evil to humanity, a temptation to humanity bent on enslaving the world through drug abuse, sexual immorality and all other body indulgences, which are all contrary to the teachings of the Bible and the Church.

¹⁰ . <http://www.jvim.com/catalog/idwv.html>

In this chapter I am going to deal with the problem of Satanism in a more detailed way and I shall try to find out how it originated, or rather, history of devil worship, i.e. the founder and place, different stages of its development, initiation rites for the converts, their way of worship, why music is so much associated with it, what are the conditions to abide with while you are a full member, and so on. .

2.2 History of Devil Worship:

It is said that devil worship dates as far as 399 BC. It then developed fast in the Dark Ages. It was attacked during the age of reason in the 17th, and 18th centuries. In the 19th century, scientists revived it.

Satanism as it is known today was started by an American caller Alster Crowley (1875 - 1947). In 1966, Antony Scandoo established for the first Satan's church in the USA. The following year, April 30th, 1967, Antony La Vey at night, shaved his head and revived the church of Satanism in Los Angeles - California. In 1969 Antony Scandoo's church opened its doors to the public. Now that the thirty sixtieth anniversary of that fateful night has passed, has the world begun to understand the real meaning behind the only organized religion in history to take as its symbol the ultimate figure of pride and rebellion of evil.

One of the primary points of Antony La Vey's diabolical philosophy is that it is our role to be practitioners of the unexpected. As a Satanist, he continued, "it's your responsibility to toy with people's expectations of you. Just when they think they've got you properly pigeon-holed, you reveal an aspect of yourself both more

frightening and more intriguing. Contrasts, surprises, real horrors hidden behind the spooky papier-mâché scenery - discover these and use them to your advantage"¹¹

Once interviewed by a radio broadcaster in connection with the release of his latest book, Satan Speaks, why calls "church of Satan", Antony LaVey's answered,

*"You know, everything you say makes a lot of sense. But that name, 'Satan', is a real turn-off for people"*¹²

Again the interviewer asked him why don't he just call it 'Humanism' or something else so that he would get more followers, LaVey emphatically answered, " Of course, the first point is, we don't need a lot of followers; we need more leaders in society in general and Satanism is a philosophy of leaders. That's the glib answer, he continued. The more complete answer for him is that Satanists find more strength in images of defiance, fortitude against all odds and self-determination than we do in the image of the guy hanging on the Cross.¹³ La Vey continues to boast by claiming that the Satanists are sickened by the complacency, hypocrisy, prejudice, and self-righteousness that most conventional religions encourage in people. For instant, he said that when his back is up against the wall, he is not strengthened by Jesus' supposed martyrdom, or by the idea of praying and being saved, or mooning over some glorious afterlife, so he doesn't take responsibility for this life. Satanists' scorn for such drivel is in their hard-wiring, and

¹¹ . <http://www.jvim.com/catalog/idwv.html>

¹² . Ibid. . <http://www.jvim.com/catalog/idwv.html>

¹³ . Ibid.

they could no more " give their lives to Christ" than they could cut off one of their own limbs, he claims.

2.2.1 Devil Worship in The Middle Ages:

The chaos and upheaval that characterized European society in the Middle Ages served as a breeding ground for many. One of the most interesting is undoubtedly the explosion of witch-hunts and related activity. This "witch mania" eventually spread throughout most of the continent leaving behind it a trail of death and distorted ideas that made impression upon popular opinion that is still felt in this century. Devil worship was a very common element in much of the witchcraft controversy of this period.

For Christians, devil meant the "Satan," who was the symbol of iniquity. Now the reason set forth by scholars for the epidemic of Devil worship are many and varied. One of the most popular is that witchcraft and devil worship could be traced to pre-Christian Europe's ancient religious practices. As Christianity spread in the years following the disintegration of Greco-Roman practices, it is thought that it did not fully penetrate outlying areas for centuries. In many cases, Christianity was observed simultaneously with the old nature religions. Elements of the two fused, and hybrids such as Dualism emerged which were considered heretic by the Church, and called "Devil worship."

The group given credit for initiating the spread of pseudo-Devil worship in the Christian world are **Gnostics**. Their dualistic theory of the universe included

reversals of Christian belief, such as the idea that the world is really hell, and that mankind was created by a race of rebel angels known as Archons.¹⁴ The supreme Archon was identified with the god of the Old Testament, whom Gnostics saw as savage and cruel.

Still other groups of Gnostics believed that the world was created by seven fallen angels, led again by the Old Testament God. It he who inspired the prophets to lead mankind astray. Astray from whom? The devil who was a good angel in opposition to the evil God of the Jews. Strangely enough, many of them saw Jesus Christ as a savior who was to liberate humans from the evil God who had led them astray. This was not enough to convince Christians that they were not worshipping the Devil, however, and the Church Fathers sought to warn good Christians to steer clear of these heretics.

It is the reversal of the Christian concepts of good and evil that make genuine Satanists an anathema to members of the Church. If God in the Christian model is bad and Satan is good, and benevolent deity, it logically follows that denial of the Judeo-Christian moral code and any rules based upon it is almost necessary. Actions usually condemned as evil are cherished for their mystical effects.

It has been said that Devil worshippers get "perverse pleasure in doing things which are felt to be evil combined with a conviction that doing these things is really virtuous"¹⁵

¹⁴ . Cavendish Richard, *The Margical arts*; London, Arkana Paperbacks, 1984. P.291

¹⁵ . Cavendish Richard, P. 291

Starting with the Gnostics and similar groups in the first few centuries after Christ, the Church was faced repeatedly with what they perceived as threats to Christendom; these came both from outside of Europe by Muslims, and from within by heretics.

2.2.2 Some of the Heretic Groups that Emerged in the Middle Age:

One of the first groups accused by the Church of worshipping Satan in the traditionally accepted way were the **Paulicians**. They were a group of Armenians who lived in the Southeastern part of the Empire, out of the direct control of the Armenian Church. At a synod in 719A.D, John of Ojun, who headed the church in that area, declared that Paulicians were "sons of Satan."¹⁶ He asserted that they gathered at night in order to "commit incest with their own mothers" as well as put infant blood in a Eucharist -like mixture. Also, he said that they paid homage to Satan while prostrating themselves and foaming at the mouth. These ideas were to become a model for later descriptions of the activities of Satanism for they form an integral part of the conception of the Black Mass.¹⁷

Norman Cohn in his book, *Europe's inner demons*, continues to say that Western Christendom had been troubled far less than the East by religious dissent. In the year 1022 A.D, however, a group of heretics in the French city of Orleans were among the first in Western Europe to be executed for their crimes. For the first time

¹⁶ . Cohn Norman, *Europe's Inner Demons*, New York, Basic Books, 1975, P. 18

¹⁷ . Cohn, Norman P. 20

since the mass executions of maligned Christians by Pagans in that area 800 years before, cannibalism and incest were rumored to be a part of religious worship.

These heretics, who included the queen's former confessor, nuns, and others, lived a simple and pious life, and this is probably how they attracted followers. The problem was, according to the contemporary reports, that they were tricked into worshipping the Devil by a man who gave them the ashes of unborn children to eat, and took part in ceremonies in which the Devil appeared in the form of an animal. *"They were also supposed to have concocted potions (probably hallucinogenic), bunt babies, and had orgies"*.¹⁸

The Orleans group also denied key elements of Christian doctrine, including the ideas of virgin birth, the Resurrection, Baptism, the Eucharist, and prayer to the saints. They did feel, however, that they were the recipients of divine grace and would be protected by the Holy Spirit, even while being burnt at the stake for heresy.

After the Orleans heretics had been taken care of, another sect took root in essentially the same area. This movement known as **Catharsis** was a blend of Greek and Persian dualistic ideas fuelled by the dualist elements in Christianity itself, such as the separation of the divine and material worlds, the superiority of the flesh to the spirit.

By 1150 A.D, Catharism was present in most of Southern France, as well as Flanders and parts of German. There was even a Cathars Bishop in Northern France, and travelling missionaries in Northern Italy.

¹⁸ Cohn Norman, P. 21

Cathars believed, as did the Gnostics, that the God of the Old Testament was Devil, who created this world. He was lord of the physical body, death, and material world. In true Dualist fashion, most Cathars believed that he existed as an equal rival of the true God, and would continue to be for all eternity. Morally, they offended Christians by believing that it was a sin to procreate, because the command to be fruitful and multiply was given by the evil God of antiquity.¹⁹ Higher-ranking Cathars abstain from all forms of sex, violence, lying, property holding, oath taking, and food of animal origin. They were held up as embodiments of Christ. Lower echelons of the Cathars, however, believed that they were enslaved by the Devil and that nothing that they did could possibly hurt them. In addition to encouraging vice in this way, Cathars also denounced the Church and their Baptism at the time of initiation. This was seen as such a threat by the Church that Pope Innocent III preached a Crusade against the Albigensians, as the Cathars of Southern France were called, in 1208. No one can really say if the Cathars actually worshipped the devil in earnest, but the idea that the devil was in fact the God of the Old Testament, coupled with the fact that most had been raised to worship this God might have resulted in devil worship.

2.2.3 The Waldeansians or Vaudois:

This was another group of heretics that gained the attention of the Church in 1179. They were accused of cannibalism, holding orgies, worship of the Devil in the form of a dog, and sorcery. This group originated as a sect of aesthetes founded by a

¹⁹ . Cavendish , P. 294

rich young man who disposed of all his worldly goods in imitation of the apostles. Their problems began when, unlike the Franciscans who originated in similar way, they were denied papal approval to preach. When they continued to do so, they were Excommunicated in 1181, and condemned as heretics in 1184. There are treatises, such as the *Errors Valdensium*, that associate this group with a manner of satanic ritual.

2.2.4 The Luciferians of the 13th Century:

This group, Luciferians, attracted papal attention for Devil worship, and this time there can be little doubt that this is exactly what was going on. These Luciferians believed that Lucifer and his host of demons had been unfairly expelled from heaven. Some day, they claimed, he would return and overthrow the Christian God at which time he would reign forever. They did everything they could to offend God, since their reward would be everlasting paradise with Lucifer.²⁰ Initiates were made to kiss a toad, or sometimes a duck or goose, in either of two distasteful areas. New members also kissed a pale man who was icy cold, and in this instant they were supposed to have lost their Christian faith. There was a large feast with a huge black cat present, and those worthy of the honor kissed the cat's rear end. The candles were then extinguished, and a massive orgy ensued. After they were through with that portion of the ceremony, a man appeared from a dark corner whose bottom half was like a cat.

²⁰ . Cohn Norman, P. 56

2.3 Devil Worship and Instrumental Music:

History tells us that all ancient traditions have instrumental music supplied by Satan to attack every body sensor to keep the word of God from penetrating into the mind. It is said that neither among the Jews nor in the vilest pagan temples did the musicians enter into the Holy Places. Among the Jews, the Holy Places is a carnal type of the spiritual body of Christ. No Leviticus musician could enter into this type of the church of Christ even to clean out garbage.

The temple musicians in a "religious sense" (grouped with prostitutes in pagan religions) were in the court making a loud mocking noise during the sacrifice and burning of animals. In fulfillment of the prophetic type, it was prophesied in Psalm 41 and fulfilled in the Dead Sea Scroll translation that Judas and the military musicians would attempt to turn Jesus into a coward. Further, speaking of the religious ritual condemned by Amos and others we note that: "With the wine-drinking (which is the literal meaning of the Hebrew for feasting), went music and dancing"²². In pagan traditions, musical instruments are invented by gods or demi-gods, such as titans. In the Bible, credit is assigned to antediluvian patriarchs, for example, the descendants of Cain in Genesis 4:21. There is no any other biblical tradition about the invention of musical instruments.

So worship with music came from the pagan "gods", (see **Appendix 6**). There is no other tradition.²³ However, music is not evil but science and common sense know that you cannot give attention to the reading of the word and watch the performance

²². <http://www.piney.com/SerpentWorship.html>

²³. Freed Man D. Noel, *Bible Review*., Summer, 1985, P. 51

at the same time. Moreover, traditionalism makes it hard to get out of the music trap once you have been seduced, that is the meaning of the following collection of connecting music as worship uniquely to Satan.

Now we see that Lucifer's sin was bestowing the gifts of heaven such as music to mankind. This was to pre-empt God, create the false sense of salvation and get the worship for himself. The appeal to the harps of revelation are an attempt to use what Satan revealed while the message to those on earth is: "preach the gospel." Music is so much associated with devil a worship activity that's why devil worshippers use music in their ceremonies.

2.4 Devil Worship in Kenya:

In the early 1990's, the phenomenon of devil worship was frequently mentioned in the Kenyan media. By 1993, numerous complaints were expressed by concerned parents who claimed that the practice had infiltrated schools. Soon, government ministers, teachers and church leaders joined in the chorus. The mid-week issue of the Standard (1993:13) had an article on "Satanism's grip on the youth". In that same article, the then education minister Joseph Kamotho was quoted as having given a directive to head teachers to take drastic measures against students allegedly engaged in devil worshipping in various schools. Of course this cult may have started much earlier in Kenya. The climax of acceptance of possible Satanism in Kenya was the creation of a committee of inquiry by President Moi in 1994. During Kenyatta Day celebrations on 20th October 1994 the President ordered an investigation into the alleged devil worship in the institutions of learning in Kenya.

The following day 21st October, 1994 the committee was constituted through gazette notice No 6783.

The committee was later raised to a commission of inquiry through Gazette Notice No. 991&992 of 1st March 1995. The commission was appointed to inquire into allegation of the existence of the cult of devil worship in Kenya and its reported linkages to drug abuse and other antisocial activities. The head of state ordered the commission to execute its work with diligence and speed and to make the report without undue delay.

The commission was made up of; Most Rev. Nicodemus Kirima - the Archbishop of Nyeri Catholic Archdiocese, headed the committee. Other members were Josiah O. Okumu & W. W Maina (Mrs) joint secretaries, Rev. Dr. Jonas Kaleli - Member (African Inland Church), Crispo W. Ongoro - Member(Former CID Director), Fred Odhiambo - Member(A Nairobi Lawyer), Dr. Philista Onyango - Member(Mrs), Prof. Jude Ongon'ga, bishop Horace Etemes - Member(Church of the Province of Kenya), Rev. Bernard Muindi - member(the Mediator of the Presbyterian Church of East Africa's General Assembly) and Pastor Boniface Adoyo - Member.

The commission set to work at the Anniversary Towers. From there they moved all over the country interviewing:

Members of the public

Religious Leaders

Politicians

Civil servants of all cadres

Senior government officials (PC's, DO's, DEO's, H/m's and teachers)

Students

Any other organization or persons implicated.

It did its work as directed by the president and submitted its findings in 1995. In Section 21 of the report, the commission states, "From all the evidence presented, the commission was of the opinion that the cult of devil worship existed in Kenya."²⁴ All the people who confessed to have been involved in devil worship live, work or study in different parts of Kenya and belong to various ethnic groups, the report said. The report added also that there was a lot of convergence in the details given by devil worshippers. The witnesses had unshakable confidence in what they said despite the mind control techniques applied in initiating them to devil worship. The presence of scars, tattoos and other marks on the bodies of the former members of the cult which they showed to the commission members confirmed that they had been members of the cult. Moreover, various forms of paraphernalia were found in their possession. Some also spoke of use of symbols, signs, and codes for communication. The report said the symbols included a homed hand, the Swastika(see **appendixes 5'F**), the upside-down pentagram with a goat head sign, Satan's international symbol of pride; human skulls, figure 666, the snake scorpion and magic of witchcraft, among others.

²⁴ .<http://www.rickross.com/reference/Satanism/satanism58.html>(Evidence From the Commission o Inquiry on the Devil Worship)

The Commissioners said they had observed that there was a category of people who are generally suspected to be devil worshippers, but they denied the fact. They seemed to use every trick to convince the commission that they were not in fact devil worshipers.

The reported therefore asserted: " From all the evidence presented, the commission is of the opinion that the cult of devil worship exists in Kenya both in the learning institutions and the society" (See Commission Report No. 22). However, they observed that the cult was at its formative stage in institutions of learning. The commission concluded that because of the minute details in the story (of devil worship) and their consistency, they must have been true.

Although the commission submitted these findings in 1995, they were not made public until 1999. Many people complained that the report had been doctored since senior people in the government had been implicated.

2.5 Conclusion:

From the information collected and through the fact that a commission was set up to probe the practice of devil worship in Kenya, we can now say with confidence and clear conscious that Satanism is a reality in Kenya.

CHAPTER THREE

3.0 Why Do People Worship the Devil:

3.1 Introduction:

After we have seen from the previous chapter the reality of the existence of devil worship and moreover that the cult has been there in practice since many centuries past up to now, let us come home and try to find out why do people engage in this ungodly practices in our present society.

However, in this chapter we shall have an opportunity to study more about this creature, “Devil”, the meaning of why to worship him, who are the members, and last but not least we shall see, in brief, different types of devil worship.

Let us not forget that, my main focus here is to try to find out why people really engage in the practices of devil worship instead of worship the true one God the Father. And once we get the reason, it will be easier to find, or rather, propose ways of preventing, or fighting against the practice.

3.2 Who is the Devil:

Chapter one of this essay dealt mostly with the concept of the genesis of evil from different traditions and perspectives, but eventually I also brought in the details about who this creature devil is. Here I am focusing on the nature of this creature, ‘devil,’ in the more biblical perspective and understanding.

The Genesis three story tells us the fall of Adam and Eve in the Garden of Eden as the result of the devil's action under the guise of a serpent (Gen.3:4 - 5). In the book of Job chapters 1 - 2, the devil is called Satan and the text indicates that he was one of God's sons who frequently appeared before him (Job 1:6; 2:1). He appeared before his father (God) to accuse Job (Job 1:9 - 11). Now how did he later become the greatest enemy of his own Father, we get the answer from the book of Revelation chapter 12:7 - 9. Here, the devil or Satan is now called dragon, (Appendix 4). But he was also an Angel. The text tells us that Michael and his angels defeated him in heaven and he was cast down to earth (Rev. 20: 1 - 3). The devil was then chained for a thousand years and must be released after that period of time.

From the passages quoted above, it is clear that Satan is a supernatural being because he is a fallen angel. The devil therefore, has a lot of power over human beings. St. James gives us proper advice in which he speaks of resistance against the devil: "Give in to God, then resist the devil, and he will run away from you."²⁵ Other names of Satan are Lucifer, Opposer of God, the enemy, murderer, and symbolically 666. He is also called the old serpent. Why number 666, we shall see the reasons here below.

²⁵ . Millingo Emmanuel, *Face to Face with the Devil*, Australia, Keys Ministries, 1991, P.93

3.2.1 Number 666 According to the Book of Revelation:

The book of Revelations, the last book of the Bible, is the only book in the Bible that explains how the devil will appear in the final days. In this book, number 666 stands for the beast. It is the number by which all believers of the devil will be known for they will bear that number on their fore heads or on their hands.

That number 666 is the number by which all believers of the devil will be identified. During the last days the mark will be used to buy and sell things, according to the book of Revelations.

“ This calls for wisdom. If any one has insight, let him calculate the number of the beast, for it is man's number. His number is 666. ”(Rev. 13:18)

There are some anti catholic churches that claim that the number 666 refers to the Pope. “ The Pope is of so great authority and power that he can modify , explain, or interprets even divine law, since his power is not of man but of God, and he acts as vicegerent of God upon earth with most ample power of binding and loosing his sheep,”²⁶ These anti-Catholic claim that the Church of Rome has shed more innocent blood than any other institution that has ever existed among mankind according to the author of this book; ‘*The Antichrist*’ Moreover, some members of Jehovah’s witnesses & SDA are notorious for this claim. They claim this number refers to the Pope’s Latin title “Vicarius Filii Dei” (the Vicar of the Son of God). They affix Latin numbers to each letter of the title as follows:

1. V I C A R I U S

$$5-1-100-0-0-1-5-0 = 112$$

²⁶ Nelson M. Laurence, *The Antichrist*, Gweru, Modern Press, Zimbabwe, 1996, P. 21

2. F I L I I

$$-1-50-1-1= 53$$

3. D E I

$$500 + 0 + 1 \qquad \underline{506}$$

$$666$$

Catholics and serious biblical scholars reject this claim basing their arguments on the following facts; these churches erroneously assume that Latin language had influence on the New Testament. John wrote the book of Revelation at the time when Hebrew and Greek were the main languages of the scriptures. Latin influence came into the church only after the year 200 AD.

‘Vicarius Filii Dei’ has never been used as the title of the Pope. The correct title is,

“*Vicarious Christ*” (Vicar of Christ), and never Vicarious Filii Dei. This title does not and has never existed on any papal crown as claimed by the adversaries of the church. The title Vicarious Christi does not add up to 666.

This accusation reveals terrible ignorance of history deep knowledge of the scriptures and ancient biblical languages. The Apostle John was writing Revelation at a time when emperor Domitian was ruling in Rome. Rev. 17:3 - 17 refer to Babylon. (see **Appendix 4**). In the Old Testament Daniel 7 refers to the people of God in exile. John uses the same name Babylon to refer to Rome under Domitian the present persecutor of the new people of God. He remembers the start of

persecution of the Church under the emperor Nero (54 - 68AD).He considered Nero to be the greatest enemy of the church because of the terrible persecution he unleashed against the early Christians in 64 AD. John wished to code the name of

Nero (In Greek “Nero”) Caesar as the beast of the Apocalypse as follows: **N R W N/Q S R**. Corresponding Nos. $50 + 200 + 6 + 50 + 100 + 60 + 200 = 666$

Thus the consonants **NRWN QSR** corresponding to the Roman Name **NERON CEASAR** is coded as 666. Here are points to remember; First, Ancient Hebrew had no written vowels, only consonants, second, Hebrew and Greek have no letter ‘C’.... the nearest to sound in both languages is “Q”. Thirdly, the letter “W” in Hebrew is a consonant and corresponds with the Greek letter Omega (which is a long “O” sound).

The Beast with seven heads (see **appendix.4**) is in fact the same city of Rome standing on seven hills. (Revelation. 17:7), the woman referred to is the city of Rome (Roma in Latin is famine). So the beast is the emperor and the names of blasphemy is emperor worship (burning incenses invoking the name and genius of the emperor).

The 666 is a number of somebody who is already here to take over the leadership of the world and is already showing himself in the unholy trinity of the devil as the beast, false prophets and the anti-Christ. He is going to perform many miracles and win many followers

3.3 Why Worship the Devil:

Before going deep into the context, let us see the meaning of ‘worshipping the Devil’. In worship, one offers and directs prayers and petitions to the object of

worship that is considered to be God. The object is adored, praised and given thanks for his benevolence to the worshippers.

There are series of rituals that are performed, a creed recited and a code of conduct to be kept and followed. Now going further, there are people who do all these in honor of the devil. This is why it is quite correct to state that Satanism is a religion. It is a religion that flourishes in secrecy. It's dogmas and practices are shrouded in mystery. The secrets are jealously guarded and are released to members in peace meal²⁷

This is why Satanism is a cult or occult. Occults are always secretive. Cult from the Latin cultus means adoration. This reveals that in Satanism the Devil is adored as the object of worship.

3.3.1 Detailed Reasons for Worship the devil:

According to Archbishop Kirima of Nyeri Catholic Archdiocese and chairman of the presidential probe committee devil is inspired by economic, social, and political ambitions.²⁸

Some people argue that there is freedom of worship in Kenya, so people are free to worship what they want. That was in fact the reaction of Rev. Dr. Timothy Njoya of the Presbyterian church and John Keen (former cabinet minister and secretary general of Democratic party) when the commission was set up(cf. FINANCE 31st January, 1995 pp13 ff)

²⁷ . Eni Emmanuel, *Delivered From the Powers of Darkness*, Kijabe Kenya, 1987, P. 13

²⁸ . Habari Zetu, *Who are Kenya's Devil Worshippers*, Thika Ecumenical News letter Nov./Dec. P. 3

Unemployment of many people and especially graduates has led to extreme poverty. Desperately poor and unemployed people are easy victims of Satanists. There seems to be a deliberate looting and impoverishing of the Kenyan citizens to levels where many have no alternative. Poverty and unemployment create a fertile ground for recruitment.

The need to belong can force people to join any group without proper investigations into their activities.²⁹ Too many people are too lonely. Such are easy recruits since any willing company will do.

There are those who want to acquire status in society. They are ready to use any means available to realize this. Satanism promises them immediate wealth and prestige. Many professionals become devil worshippers in order to keep their jobs and positions. Business people want to remain in it. Satanists claim to have understanding and control of mystical powers. They also claim to possess secrets that ordinary people do not have. Some claim power to receive money mysteriously from other people's boxes and pockets (cf. Commission Report No.123 - 131).

They are those who worship the devil because they are brought up by parents, relatives and friends who are Satanists. They simply inherit the practice. Many young people belong to certain religious groups just because their parents belong there. Some people resort to evil due to all forms of frustration; rupture of relationships with dear ones leading to loss of existential meaning. Devil worship, says psychiatric Dr. Samuel Gatere, is the consequence of frustration arising from

²⁹ . Lochhaas H. Philip, *The New "Christian" Religions*, St. Louis Missouri, Concordia, 1979, P. 8

failed life expectations. At times people like these resort to things and activities that are anti social, so Satanism comes in handy here.

People resort to Satanism because their prayers are answered immediately by Satan unlike the Christian God who seems to portray an uncaring attitude. Those who worship Satan are very wealthy. The God of the Christians and indeed other religions does not seem to care about poverty. In fact, He (God) even praises poverty by saying that the poor are blessed! Heaven will be theirs' is the helpless in the face of many problems experienced by faithful followers. The reality of evil in the world proves Gods weakness. But those who are on the devils side apparently prosper.

Other young people join the cult because peer pressure. They may join consciously or unconsciously. In this case one joins in order to be accepted by peers. However, there are people who join it without knowing. These are people who are recruited via dirty literature, films or filthy music (particularly messages in Rock music e. g. Reggae), this is called psychological conversion.

This is how it happens; the human brain does not have to receive messages in a logical manner in order to accept them. Studies have shown that if the human brain gets a message such as Satan is Lord God, it scans itself to find a rejection and not finding anything they contradicting the information received, is stored in the memory for later retrieval. Later when a similar forceful message is received such as Satan lives or worship, scanning is done once again. But the brain only finds a similar information already stored. The brain then begins to accept these negative messages. If the brain is continuously bombarded with immoral songs, it snaps(that's why

music is widely used by the Satanists). The loud music in *matatus* are a means to re-in force what the youth have already read and watched such as pornographic literature and films. It should be opted that in Music, there is powerful magic. Music has tremendous influence on the human brain and soul.

In the 1950's rock and roll music in the USA was associated with love affairs in the back seats of cars and hence rock and roll - the reggae songs on Rock me rock me baby is one example of the many. Many young people are hooked into devil worship this way. Ideas are planted into them through music - a kind of hypnosis. Even Church Fathers raised question on instrumental music when they said that worship with music came from the pagan gods, and it is very hard to get out of the music trap once you have been seduced. This is because emotionally charged messages can trigger off behavior in predictable way.

3.4 Types of Devil Worship

There are four different groups of Satanist cults which include:

- a)Traditional (Generational)Satanists; b)Organized (Religious)Satanists;
- c)Self styled (Dabblers) Satanists; and d)Occultic Satanist.

The above types of devil worship are discussed here below as follows:

3.4.1 Traditional (Generational)Satanists:

This group is said to include certain cult whose activities are known to be very secretive and suspicious. The membership of this group is acquired through

inheritance. Individuals are normally members because their families or relatives had been involved in the cult.

Some of these groups claim to believe and worship God while others attempt to accommodate all faiths and teach doctrines which are opposed to established religions. Membership of traditional Satanists include very influential people in the society such as politicians, military leaders, professionals, such as medical doctors, educators, and wealthy business people. This explains why the cult why the cult of devil worships is associated with economic gains. This caliber of people can easily provide the needed expertise and financial resources.

Aleister Crowley whom I have made reference to, belonged to this group. Antoney LaVey who considers himself the successor of Crowley who instituted the church of Satan in San Francisco,(USA) in 1967 and had it registered as an official religion for the group.

In 1975, Michael Aquino started a splinter group to emphasize the destruction of the Christian religion, besides worshipping the devil (cf. LaVey 141). This group is known as the Temple of Set whose rituals are based on ancient Egyptian Cult.

3.2.2 Organized (Religious) Satanists:

This group is not very much different from the traditional one and indeed, its followers exalt LaVey as their pope. They claim to respect all man made laws, yet when one looks at their doctrines in detail, they tend to promote activities advocated

in the satanic bible, satanic rituals and the book of magic written by Aleister Crowley. These activities include:

- Witchcraft and the conjuring of demons
- Frequent sexual abuse of children and minors;
- Threat of severe punishment for defaulters who break the vow of secrecy;
and
- Outrageous immoral practices and rituals.
- The cult members are said to act with various brutality to suspected inquisitive non initiates.

3.4.3 Self Styled Satanists (Dabblers).

This group appeals more to the higher level of members of the society and the youths. The young form what is known as “youth Subculture.”

Some of their main activities and practices are:

Strong belief in the authority of the Satanic Bible and the Book of Rituals;

Tendency to appreciate anything that proves to be different from what is taken to be normal values;

- Meeting in secluded places to practice incantations and ritual dances.
- Sacrificing animals by burning or cutting their throats;
- Catching or buying birds, killing them slowly, and then burying them
- This followed by planting inverted crosses over their graves
- Wearing T - shirts with satanic symbols and messages or tattooing their
bodies.

3.4.4 Occultic Satanists:

An example of this group is the Masonic community (I shall discuss about it later in detail), which was founded by Charles Mason in the seventies. It is also known for its deliberate belief to cause harm and commit crimes. The members feel that they are above the law and as such, have no respect any law. This, in one way or another, distinguishes them from other satanic cults that tend to carry their activities in secret because of fear of the law.

It should be emphasized that any group or institution that stands in opposition to the good society may qualify to be called satanic. What puts these various cults together is that they are all secretive, destructive and deliberate. All go in for anything that may be contrary to the divine moral common or against human harmony and expectation.

3.5 Some Common Rituals and Practices of Satanic Cults:

Generally, satanic rituals and other demonic occults have major common practices, which include:

- The presence of snake
- Cannibalism and human sacrifice and drinking of human blood
- Black mass and wine; in the black masses and the witch festivals, are displayed the total denial of morality as established by natural law or by existing religious denominations.
- Sex is the greatest instrument to destroy human conscience, and is the climax for the celebration in both the black masses and the witch-craft

festivals. However, sexual abuse and rape especially of children and the minors is the common practice.

- Nudity of the participants in the ritual.
- Incantation in unintelligible language
- Use of symbols, signs and paraphernalia, black magic and some facets of drugs
- Cemetery: the place of worship and ceremonies. The initiates have to experience the cemetery life. Then they undergo a lot of transformation.
- The pact with the devil: The initiates had to make an explicitly disavowal of the Christian faith. The symbolic quality of this disavowal is obvious, for being an anti-Christian movement Satanism depreciated Christian belief. At another level, this practice served a further purpose, for in defiling certain holy relics, in trampling or defecting 'on the crucifix, in blaspheming God and the church, a clear break was made with the old way of life.

3.6 Conclusion:

Satan uses many tricks to capture his followers, and mostly he uses gifts such as material things which are provided as you ask from him, he gives immediately unlike Christian God who does not work according to human will. Moreover, Satan provides anything you ask from him here on earth, he does not promise things of the future. This makes people to be captured easily by the devil

CHAPTER FOUR

4.0 Some Associations Linked to Satanism (The Freemasons)

4.1 Introduction:

The art of stone building is called masonry. Initially the Freemasons were builders of old gothic cathedrals, palaces and castles. Freemasons argue that God the Creator is the grandmaster architect and mason. He founded freemasonry and passed the patronage to Adam and Eve. They add that it was the masons who built Noah's Ark, the Tower of Babel, the Pyramids of Egypt and Solomon's Temple. Freemasons were highly skilled workers interested in protecting their trade. They had no fixed abode always moving from site to site. They were indeed free builders. Every so often they would gather in their temporary quarters known as lodges.

This movement is associated strongly with Satanism and Devil Worship practices because they conduct and perform their activities of worship and prayers at night and in a very secretive ways. It is from this reasons that I decided to select this movement among many that are also linked to devil worship and research on it because of it's close association with Satanism.

4.2 History of Masonry:

The origins of masonry have not been perfectly elucidated, although at present no one believes that it has come from the workers that constructed the Temple of Jerusalem, under the direction of Hiram of Tyre, nor descended from the medieval association such as the Order of the Templars. Masonry is a typical product of the rationalism of the 17th and 18th centuries, even though it gathers together elements from different sources.³⁰

Historically, present-day masonry was born on 24th June 1717, even though two previous phenomenon are very important in its foundation: the medieval construction corporations, and the secret associations originating from *Rosicrucianism*.

During the Middle Ages, the bricklayers (masons) were grouped together under local corporations (lodges) which enjoyed sufficient autonomy and had their own statutes and feasts; from this comes the name Freemasons. To these professional corporations, persons who had nothing to do with the trade could also join as honorary members (accepted masons).³¹

Rosicrucianism was a movement of secret associations, founded in the middle of the 15th century in German, which brought together the alchemists, cabalists, and theosophists of that time (pertinacious seekers of the philosopher's stone). Its aims were philanthropic, the establishment of universal peace, and also of

³⁰ . Crane Paul, SJ. Ed., *Christian Orders*, Vol. 30, March No 3, 1989, P. 174

³¹ . Ibid. 174

a universal religion. Historical freemasonry was born from the union of the professional Freemasons and Rosicrucianism: from the first was derived the vocabulary (names of construction tools: hammer, rule, compass, square...) and the different ranks of members (apprentice, journeyman, master); and from *Rosicrucianism* came the humanist indifferentism, hostile to the Catholic Church.

The terminology and symbolism of Masonry seems to come mostly from the actual craft of stonemasonry during the Middle Ages. Stonemasons gathered as unions to develop their craft and keep secrets from others. It is uncertain where the “free” is derived from in the word “Freemasonry”. Some think it was used because masons worked with freestones, or stones that could be cut without splitting. Such workmen were first called masons of free stones, then, free stonemasons, and finally freemasons.

The term “free” in Masonry is also taught to mean “free-born”; that is, never having been a slave.

4.2.1 How They are Classified:

Stonemasons had three classifications for workers practicing their craft: Apprentice, Fellow Craft and Master Mason. This, Master mason, is also the terminology used for the first three degrees in Masonry. Masons of the first degrees form the Blue Lodge of Masonry. Blue apparently is symbolic of the sky, and so the Blue Lodge relates to universal Masonry.

A man is not considered a full-fledged Mason until he has reached the Third Degree - Master Mason. In a sense, he can never be a higher Mason than he is after having received this Third Degree, even if he goes on to other degrees.

Once a man has become a Master Mason, he doesn't need to go any further; and apparently most do not. But those who wish to pursue more of the mysteries of Masonry - to search for greater light - can become a part of Scottish Rite or the York Rite. The Scottish Rite offers degrees 4 through 32 (the 33rd is honorary). The York Rite has fewer titles, but they are equivalent to various degrees of the Scottish Rite. For example, the Order of the Knights Templar of the York Rite is equivalent to the 32nd Degree of the Scottish Rite³²

4.2.2 Condition For Joining:

Masons claim they never invite anyone to join their membership-that it is necessary for an interested person to ask to become a member. There is a thin line, however, between merely telling a person the advantages of being a Mason and implying that he should become one. But Masonry says, "*All you have to do is ask*" Even using the passage from the Bible: "*Ask, and it shall be given you; ask, and you shall find; knock, and it shall be opened unto you*"³³

(Matthew 7:7) Moreover, Freemasonry is an association of men only who are above 18 years old and financially stable. They call for respect for social distinction, so that while some must rule others must obey cheerfully and accept their positions as

³² . Coil W. Henry, *33rd Degree, Coil's Masonic Encyclopedia*, New York, Maacoy & Masonic, 1961, P. 266

³³ . Berry J. Harold, *Masons*, Lincoln, NE 68501 USA, 1990, P. 10

inferior. Members are also expected to maintain absolute secrecy. If this rule is breached:

- One may have his tongue cut
- One may have his heart ripped out
- The motto is “hear, watch and keep silent”.

Furthermore, it is interesting to note that the Queen of England is the Grand Patroness of the movement, but she is however not allowed to enter a Masonic Temple! Note that Modern Freemasonry has its roots in Britain. Members are mainly from the top cream in the society forming one brother hood.

Local membership is often organized into a small group called a lodge or a chapter. The local lodges combine to form an association under one leader called the ‘grandmaster’. These combine to form the grand lodgers that may fall under the United Lodge of England. This lodge enjoys the British royal patronage. The union of the first four lodges in Britain took place in 1717. It attracted the royals and church leaders who often met to discuss matters of common interest. It is important to point out that the Roman Catholicism of the Middle ages was very closely associated with freemasons, but then the Church has officially banned it.

4.4.2.3 How They Identify Members:

Members can identify each other through a variety of symbols that are the Freemasons way of communication. These symbols have to be learned, memorized and practiced.

The symbols can be:

- A word
- A figure of speech
- A Questione
- A Mark
- A sign
- A handshake
- A letter
- A way of sitting or standing
- Insignia/budge
- Flower

Another way they use to identify members include; use of love signs, use of God names and numbers, knives, horns, borne of human skull, drawings with Rastafarian head, inscriptions of the word Jah, usage of red, green, and black colors and horned hand.

At time various currencies have carried the Masonic signs. For example the Eye in the American dollar bill or the serpent in the Kenyan 100 shilling note of the 1988 - 1990.

4.3 Freemasonry in Kenya:

We have seen in the introduction that this movement came to Kenya with the colonialists and they have lodges in Nairobi, Nakuru, Kisumu, Eldoret, Kitale, Nyeri and Mombassa. Here in Kenya they accept even female members but mostly from high-class families.

The Commission of inquiry summoned all these lodges but they denied any association with Satanism. However, when the commission visited their lodge in Nairobi, they saw:

- Working tools of the mason
- A compass
- Pentagram with letter G in middle
- Star of David
- Underground room with 12 pillars representing the 12 Tribes of Israel
- The Holy books i.e. the Holy Bible, the Holy Quran, and the Gita
- Masonic Museum with regalia.

Note that masons use these symbols as cover up for their secret activities, to remove any suspicions from non-members.

In spite of the denials of any association with Satanism the African Watch of 5th July 1990 tells us that Devil Worship or diabolism in Kenya is observed by secrets of various Freemason association or so called secret societies.³⁴

4.4 Initiation of Members:

It takes place in secluded places such as cemeteries and performed at night. Some take place in the Masonic temples. The initiates are expected to strip naked in the presence of others. The 'high priest' conducts prayers in unfamiliar language. Incisions are then made on the bodies of the initiates to drain blood. The blood is then mixed with some substances and then given to both the old and new recruits to lick. This acts as oathing ceremony. A fresh human body may then be brought in and pieces are cut and given to those present. If you show fear, you may be killed. Human blood is also given to the members to drink. Once a member has sworn oaths and made covenant, the 'high priest' of the sect gives the secrets of the society to the member and new recruit is warned of dire consequences of quitting. Try are threatened with death.³⁵

So in every lodge, freemasons do; conduct prayers at night in the dark while nude, drink human blood, eat human flesh, strip naked during rituals, walk backwards while entering and while leaving their temple, and offer human sacrifice.

4.5 Other Related Association (Halloweeners):

³⁴ . African watch, *Devil Worship in a god fearing Nation*, 5th July, 1990, P. 3

³⁵ . Commission of Inquiry Report on Devil Worship, No 145 - 156

In the 1980's people began to hear of Halloween celebration in Kenya. Many schools and restaurants celebrated it.

Media Spotlight 1989 as adopted in the Video Tracks Revival of October/November 1993 says:

*"Is your child being recruited into Satanism without your knowledge?.....Many schools in Kenya are preparing for Halloween or they have already had theirs. It is the season. Restaurants are also recruiting people to Halloween through our local dailies. Please be warned and don't let your children or yourself be involved in Satan's birthday."*³⁶

Halloween is one of Satan's high days. The name means the eve before all hallows. Originally the day was named after Saman, god of the dead. The European Druids worshipped the sun god by name Bel (Ba'al) who was believed to have died on October 31st. The purpose of Halloween was to ensure his return. This was done through human blood sacrifices especially of infants who were considered innocent. Human blood was believed to open the gates of the underworld so that the spirits of the dead could be free to roam on earth during the night of 31st October. Halloween is therefore celebrated on 31st October each year.

³⁶ . Finance Special Report, 16

Further, subtle infiltration of devil worship into Kenya society under the guise of Halloween celebrations is verified by the Standard News Paper of 24th October, 1993, which carried the following advertisement:

“A frightful good ideal Halloween costume party. The highlight of the month is the Halloween costume party in the Mawingo Room, starting at 8.00 p.m on the 30th October. We hope to see you all at the Dinner Dance. The famous Seduction Band will play and get you in the mood to swing with your favorite Angel or Devil. Prizes will be won for the best costumes and other traditional Halloween activities. The function was supposed to be held at the Nairobi Safari Club, Lillian Towers.”³⁷

4.6 Conclusion:

Despite of their strong denials of involving with devil worship activities, the motivations and intentions of this society Freemasons and one of its related group, Halloweeners, is worshipping the devil.

³⁷ . Finance Special Report 16

CHAPTER FIVE

5.0 TESTMONIES FROM EX - DEVIL WORSHIPPERS:

5.1 Introduction:

I have selected some testimonies from different people who claimed to have been involved actively in the activities of devil worship but now they are claimed to be saved by the powers of Jesus Christ. Some of these people also gave their testimonies to the Commission of Inquiry formed by the government to investigate the matter as you shall see here below.

5.2 First Testimony:

This is the case narrated by archbishop Emanuel Millingo in his book; *Face to face with the Devil*; whereby a religious nun who was a secret agent of the cult of the devil worshippers in Rome used to carry the blessed Eucharist to the black masses. The story tells us that the sister Superior always felt she was nothing before her own subject, who was not only possessed by the devil, but also had acquired the powers of the devil. She (the Superior) knew it too late. Lucky enough, the community of the sisters was fortunate because the victimized nun was able to explain to the sister Superior about her involvement in the cult before she really became hardened. This is because there was no communication between her and the Superior later on. The story continues to explain that this nun was a sacristan. Hence she had access to the key of the tabernacle. But as to how she came in contact with the Satanists. Superior did not give the details. So, this nun used to take the Eucharist from the tabernacle,

and bring it at the celebration of the black mass. She gave it to the celebrants, who did some rituals with it. In the meantime she was given something to drink, which transformed her together with the rest of the assembly at the black mass. Then came the time of all kinds of abominations that can be thought of. Among these abominations was sex that crowned it all. With the result, that the religious nun was twice pregnant, but later on aborted. In this case we are told that her aborted baby should be used in the ritual, smearing all present with the dead baby's meat. And under each arm they carried that object as necessary to the performance of the black mass as bread and wine are to the Catholic Mass, the body of a baby was to them. It is horrible, not only as one reads about it, but even to imagine it being done to a human being.

The story continues to tell us that the victim nun was a rare victim to be offered to the devil because she was a virgin and a consecrated person. As such the devil received homage of the first class, from someone who formerly belonged totally to God. So in this action the devil felt he was equal to God, because he too deserved to receive the best human sacrifice, a virgin and a consecrated person.³⁸

The story ended by telling that this religious nun became a negative force in the community.

³⁸ . Millingo Emmanuel, *Face to Face with the Devil*, P. 83

However, being capable of training the novices, the superiors of the congregation gave her the responsibility in the house of formation. In one year they lost all the novices. They went away.

5.3 Second testimony:

This case involves a girl who narrated her experience to the Commission in the presence of her pastor who was counseling her in an effort to rehabilitate her. She informed the Commission that her experience in devil worship started when she visited her sister in Embu. One day, while her sister and neighbor were away on business, the girl and her sister's friend named Catherine were left to take care of the neighbor's baby. The girl and the baby shared the same bed while Catherine slept in a different room. In the middle of the night, the girl was woken up by some strange noises on the roof, only to find the baby was missing from the bed and was nowhere to be found. She was scared and could not get out of the room to look for the baby or go back to sleep. At around 3. 00 a.m., Catherine returned the baby and claimed that she had taken it away for nursing after falling out of bed without the girl's notice. The girl was not convinced by Catherine's explanation but she did not understand what was happening.

The following Sunday, as other people went to church, she was requested by Catherine to accompany her for a tour to Kerugoya. Before reaching their destination, Catherine mysteriously disappeared from the *matatu* to the surprise of other travelers. On reaching Kerugoya bus stop, at around 3.00 p.m., she found

Catherine waiting for her. Catherine led her to a beautiful and full fenced house where they found one woman and two men. In the evening, she was surprised to see Catherine strip naked as she entered another room; the other occupants did the same. The girl was not sure what they used to do in that room as they used to communicate in English that she was not able to understand. During her one week's stay in that house, she also encountered the following strange incidents:

- She would be given tea in the morning which appeared to be mixed with blood
- She was informed that blood had been removed from her without her knowledge.
- She saw a shining snake which later turned into a woman.
- She would sleep while fully dressed and wake up in the morning to find herself naked
- She witnessed a baby being killed and the flesh was later served to her and others to eat
- Although she resisted eating the flesh, she eventually found herself having eaten all the flesh and licking the plate.

After these experiences, she left her sister's home and returned to her parent's home. She joined Bethel Church and confessed to the pastor about her strange experiences while Embu/Kerugoya. Thereafter, a letter was sent to her by the people she had met in Kerugoya warning those counseling her to cease doing so forthwith. They claimed that she became a member of their cult at the time blood was removed from her. The woman whom they had found at the house in Kerugoya came looking for her at school but she hid from her.

5.4 Third Testimony:

This is the story narrated to me by a certain woman known as *Mama Wanjohi* who resides some where in Ongata Rongai. I came to know her through the religious sister who used to visit her place for normal apostolate activities and one day she explained it to her.

Mama Wanjohi started her striking story by saying that her first born son by name John who works with the Arab Emirates and now residing in Dubai, came across his girl friend from Mangu here in Nairobi known by name Mary. Immediately they started dating each other, the mother of Mary died. She (Mary) did not have a job but met John at his place of work while looking for a job. She first went out with John's boss, a Nigerian by nationality, but was not employed. She then kept visiting the office regularly and was able to lure my son John through relating sad instances of her life to him.

During this time, Mama Wanjohi continued by saying that Mary could manage to go outside the country for her shopping as far as South Africa, Cameroon, Uganda etc., with a man whom she claimed to be her uncle. She was living at Eastleigh in a house worth seven thousand shillings per month, yet jobless! Mama Wanjohi remembered when they came home with John for the first time how she was totally shaken by the way Mary dressed and how Mama Wanjohi's blood could not agree at all with her.

Now, after Mary getting used to her sisters and Mama Wanjohi herself, she could tell stories concerning her family events that were frightening like that of her grandmother being a mastermind of robbery that took place in a home of a prominent politician in the past.

The most frightening story Mary told them according to Mama Wanjohi was that of her own (Mary's), sister got involved in the "Ten Commandment Sect" where many people committed mass suicide in Uganda. Rachel was Mary's sister and could never agree on anything.

During Mary's many trips to Uganda, Mama Wanjohi suspected that Mary introduced her sister Rachel to that man from Mangu (whom she claimed to be her uncle), who had high rank in devil worship. So Rachel innocently was lured, but before she was fully initiated she discovered where she was being taken and started praying until she was able to run back to Kenya.

When Mary was narrating this story to Mama Wanjohi, Rachel her sister was suffering terribly since she could experience the presence of the evil spirits who disturbed her a lot yet those other present could not see them. Rachel was a secondary school teacher but she had to stop teaching. Mary even told Mama Wanjohi that they were worried because Rachel had been made to swallow eggs of a snake. On asking Mary why she swallowed snake's eggs, Mary commented and said, *"to enable her change to whatever she would want at any one time."*

How Mary came to know such details about her sister Rachel, Mama Wanjohi could not understand.

After intense prayers, Rachel seemed to have been delivered but after a short while, the same problems came back and now more serious. She was admitted in one of the hospitals. Her sister Mary was now working in Dubai where she joined John after swearing that she always gets what she wants sent some money to clear hospital bill for her sister. John who was coming home brought the money and once after clearing her bill, Rachel died. Mary did not attend the burial of her sister. Strange enough John told his mother that Rachel had no blood at all when she died.

Moreover, the so called Mary's uncle, was an international drug trafficker and Mary is supposed to stage a boy friend in each airport where they think they could be used by them for this business.

Mama Wanjohi concluded her sad story by saying that Mary was a full member of Freemasons!

5.5 Fourth Testimony:

John Omino is a thirty year old confessed former Satanist. He tells his spine chilling experiences of how he was lifted from a poor ordinary boy in Starehe, Nairobi to the posh life of the wealthy, travelled the world over, but paid dearly for his sins.

The story is very long and with different events which could not be possible to be included in here because of space limit.

I shall present to you only two parts of his confession which is very moving and terrifying.

The story starts as follows;

“ My name is John Omino. I was born in Ziwani estate, Starehe, Nairobi in 1970. I am the first born in a family of seven; three boys and four girls. I attended Dr. Aggrey Primary School but I could not proceed to secondary school because my parents were poor.

After completing my Certificate of Primary Education (CPE) at the age of sixteen, I started off as an untrained mechanic in a nearby garage called Kaburini situated between Ziwani estate and Gikomba market. By 1990, I was still struggling to earn a living, barely able to make ends meet.

One of my regular customers, a man by the name Ali was particularly fond of my work. He often tipped me very generously and told me that I was dedicated, thorough and that he would try and get a job for me at a better place where I would be able to lead a decent life.

At the time, he lived in Lavington and it always baffled me why he came all the way to have his vehicles, which were several and sleek, fixed at Kaburini. At times, he would take me with him to fix small jobs at his home like repairing his children's bikes, swings and fixtures in his luxurious home. This way I made a little extra money. Ali was a foreigner and as we got to know each other, I learnt that he was a Cameroonian by birth but he had lived in many countries in Africa. For the past four years however, he had settled in Kenya with his family. He said he loved the political stability and the climate.

After visiting his house severally, I discovered that he was very interested in the occult. He was an amateur palmist and an astrologer though he was a businessman by profession. One day, he jokingly looked into my future and told me that my star is very high up, I would live to be very wealthy man and all I had to do was go for my dream, chase it and capture it. I thought this was ridiculous and ignored the whole thing, until one day, he came to my garage and told me he had a job offer for me.

It was in 1992, just before the elections, there was a lot of money in circulation and I could earn as much as seven thousand shillings a month. Ali offered me a full - time job at his place as a driver cum mechanic. He offered me fifteen thousand shillings a month that was an offer too good to turn down. We drove to his offices at Barclays Plaza in his dark blue Pajero and signed a contract. I went home and packed my few belongings in a small bag as I would be living in his servant's quarter. My mother was a bit hesitant but I assured her that everything would be fine.

I would service his vehicles, pick and drop his children to school and run small errands. By 1994, I was elevated to the post of personal assistant due to my efforts. My salary rose to twenty thousand shillings and I was able to help a great deal at home. I was now thinking of getting married and moving from my boss's house. I approached him for a loan because I was planning to marry a girl called Miriam whom I loved dearly. Ali was not very keen, he told me that I had a big task to perform which would pay off well then I could marry anyone I wished and buy a beautiful house for my wife. "In fact, if you really need to make

some extra money, there is something for us to do tonight.” He said. “Tonight?” I asked somehow puzzled. “Yes, meet me at the back gate at exactly seven p.m.” Ali’s words were final. I did not doubt him as he had helped me a great deal. That evening at exactly seven o’clock, I was at the back gate of Mr. Ali’s house in Lavington. The backyard of his beautiful house looked a bit eerie but I thought he just had weird taste. He had stone statues of untitled nude men and women.

Shortly, Ali arrived dressed casually in sandals, a red polo-shirt and black jeans, making me feel over dressed in my pin-striped suit which was one among three I had bought since my salary increment. We walked down to what seemed like a basement. The gate was well concealed and well maintained. I wondered what he kept in here as he had an attic and a store as well. Besides I’d never had anyone talk about it. He used a set of large skeleton keys to open the place which was well kept but smell dump. There was reception-like area, which led into a larger area which had an operating table. I would have thought it was a hospital theatre long ago but it’s location was unsuitable. He neared the operating table, lit two candles and put on an overhead light at the top of the table. On it was a large suitcase. After carefully locking the door behind us, he unlocked the suitcase and to my shock and horror, there were two identical babies, most probably twins. They were both boys of very dark skin, they reminded me of my brothers when they were small.

The kids were unconscious and their mouths had been gagged. Ali had disappeared, he returned from an inner room wearing a red robe and what looked like a bishops hat. He wore disposable gloves from a kit by the table, took out a

hypodermic syringe and injected the boys. Each child was injected on the neck, and groin with yellowish fluid that made them shake violently all over. A bad feeling overcame me, I had never watched someone die before or seen a baby in such pain. I felt like vomiting, I was sweating profusely. At the same time he chanted a language I did not understand. He cut each boy's penis, tongue, hands and feet and packed each severally in black carrier bags. These were then put in the suitcase, which, I noticed, was like an icebox. I was ordered to clear the table, which I obliged although I was feeling very shocked and uneasy.

I carried the suitcase to his navy blue Mercedes Benz, my hand still trembling, I had direction to transport it to Kenol Petrol Station on Mombassa Road, where I would deliver it to a man who used the code name Jack in a white Nissan high rider. At exactly 8.00 that evening, I was at the petrol station, and there was a parked white Nissan High rider with long antennas and a foreign number plate waiting. I parked just behind it and waited. A middle aged African man, about five feet approached the car and I rolled down the windows. This is Jack, he said. Without much dialogue, I handed the suitcase and he in return gave me a brown envelop for Ali. I sped back to Lavington still feeling very disgusted with myself. I handed the envelop to Mr. Ali. He opened it in my presence; it was filled with new 100 US dollar bills. He gave me a stack and bade me good night.

The next morning Ali knocked on my door, I had hardly slept the night before. As I drove him for a meeting we spoke lightly and he told me that there was more work coming and that I should be ready to do the surgery as this is what he wanted me to do. I was quiet, wishing I could get a drink or talk to someone. I could not think of anyone to consult for advice and I wasn't sure that I was ready to quit

this job, as my future out there was bleak. Ali said that I was going to be traveling soon after clearing up some pending jobs. I knew that I had to postpone my marriage plans, which would disappoint Miriam very much.

That evening, I accompanied Ali to Kawangware where he picked up a certain lady by name of Lucy. She appeared to me like a hooker and she seemed very uncomfortable. He asked me to have drinks with her at a joint of my choice to pass time while he sorted something out. It was over the drinks that she told me she had just met Mr. Ali a couple of days ago, he had given her his mobile telephone number to call him so that they could go for a drink. She said her only need was money and she knew Ali had lots of it. She lived in Kawangware and was actually a hooker by profession. After sometime Ali joined us at the Dolce club where he ordered for a drink. When the girl went for a short call, he (Ali), dropped a pill in her drink. After a few sips, she lost control and seemed very drowsy. Ali asked me to escort her to the car while he followed closely behind. I sat at the back with Lucy, supporting her and she was soon fast asleep. We took her to the basement and the same procedure was to follow, only this time I was to perform the surgery.

We slowly laid her on the table; I was given a pair of gloves and asked to undress her. I did this obligingly, and then reached out for the needle and the fluid which was in an unlabelled brown bottle. I couldn't help noticing that she had a beautiful body which we were soon going to destroy. I had had a couple of drinks but my hands were still shivering. Ali, somehow irritated, took the syringe from me and injected her violently on the neck and next to her vagina. To my horror, her vagina swelled a lot and so did her breasts and the rest of her body. Ali carefully and with expertise cut out her womanhood and her breasts and packed them in bigger carrier bags. He

also plucked out her tongue mercilessly and parked it separately. These body parts were packed into plastic coolers and carefully sealed. I was ordered to take them to a different destination this time in the Pajero where I was to hand them over to a certain 'John'. On my way out' Ali warned me that he did not treat cowards and chicken hearted people lightly. " Pull yourself together and act like a man if you don't like to be the next victim." His words kept ringing in my ears all the way to Jamhuri Park where I repeated the same procedure. On returning to my Boss's home, I found him quarrelling with his wife and he told me there was no tip for me. I silently went to my quarters after handing him the envelope. Something told me that if I did something stupid I was going to die. On waking up the following morning I spoke to Ali who was in a better mood and explained that I was ready to do whatever it takes. " Good, my lad, now you're getting to know how life works." He gave me a cheque worth three hundred thousand. I transferred my account to a more prestigious bank where I also deposited the dollars and knew it was time to join the high life society. I planned to do this business for a year only then open up a decent business and have a family.....³⁹

³⁹ SATANISM, Devil Worship in Kenya, PP. 17 -22

5.6 CONCLUSION

I have more than ten other testimonies and confessions which are not included in this chapter, and it will not be possible to report all of them here because of the limitation of the space. These few cases above are hereby just to give you a clue what is really happening for those who worship devils. Be aware and cautious for whoever you meet especially strangers who will pretend to be so nice to you.

CHAPTER SIX

Effects of Devil Worship to the Church:

6.1 Introduction:

This chapter seeks to point out some of the major effects to the Church from devil worship and some pastoral solutions and recommendations to this challenge that the Church and the whole family of the people of God is called to do in order to win the battle against the enemy. I start with the major effects.

6.1.1 Blaspheming God:

Due to lack of knowledge among our faithful concerning the powers and tactics employed by the devil, the great number of many faithful is continually attacked by such devilish forces aimed at destroying faith and commitment to the Triune God. Since they (Satanists), base their teachings and belief on Satan, they claim Satan is the bearer of light, the spirit of the air and the personification of enlightenment. One here is required to confess that he/she is in the dark, is in seeking enlightenment. They also claim that Christ is not the true Messiah and the Bible is not the word of God. This doctrines destroys completely our Christian Church's doctrine whereby Christ the Lord in whom the entire revelation of the most high God is summed up, who commanded the apostles to preach the gospel which had been promised beforehand by the prophets, and which he fulfilled in his own person and promulgated with his own lips.⁴⁰

The Church here is affected severely because God who is the center of worship is replaced by Satan in stead. They dilute the teachings and doctrines of the Church and as a result, the Church may loose some of her members to the devil especially those of weak faith. Moreover, the aim of the Church is to win the battle against the enemy for Christ, to bring all people to Christ, but then here Satan becomes an object of worship instead of our true One God. Hence, the power of darkness get space in the hearts of people and now Christ becomes an object of laughter to the devil.

6.1.2 Divisions:

Since Satan is God's enemy to the Christians, and moreover he bases his doctrines on the accumulation of worldly material and happiness while in the world, he wins those who are weak in faith, and mostly those who come to Church in the hope of solving their economical problems. He then, Satan, promises them wealthy and bright future life and success to his converts.

This process brings a lot of confusion and misunderstandings especially to the Christian faithful who sometimes see that those people who are engaged in corrupt and ungodly activities are prospering day after day while themselves are continuing in their state of poverty and suffering. As a result some of them give up Christian faith and join Satanism easily when opportunity comes.

More so, Satanism brings division also in all aspects of life; in the community, family, nation and even in to the individual him/herself because the Devil himself is in constant contrast with God who is unity. Nowadays we witness also a lot of

religious movements that are mushrooming in our society, and most of these movements are anti-Catholics because they base their teachings in attacking the Catholic Church and the Pope. For example they refer number 666 that is in the book of Revelation of the Bible as the title of the Pope. This number is found in *Revelation 13:18*. Some members of Jehovah's witnesses and Seventh Day Advents are good example of this claims.

Other movements like that of a Redeemed Gospel, where by in the recent past, one of its spokesperson's opinion declared that nobody needed a Church in order to be saved.⁴¹ These movements stress on a personal and mature faith, that does not need the help of a faith community in order to grow. Here we can see that there is a very high sense of deep-seated distrust of the Catholic Church who always stresses in her teaching, Church as the body of Christ

We can see how the devil is using all means he can to bring divisions among the people of God, even by using the ministers of the word themselves without them knowing that they are working to promote devil's dominion and power. I say this because when you use condemnation and false accusation to your brothers and sisters, you are using the same measure the devil used to accuse Job false to God (Job 1: 9 - 11).

6.1.3 Profaning Church's Teaching on Gospel of Life:

In his Encyclical Letter, *Evangelium Vitae*, Pope John Paul the second starts by saying, " *The Gospel of life is at Jesus' message. Lovingly received day after day*

⁴¹ . Shorter Alward and Njiru N. Joseph, *New Religious Movements in Africa*, Nairobi, Paulines publications, Kenya, 2001, P. 55

by the Church, it is to be preached with dauntless fidelity as "good news" to the people of every age and culture."⁴²

Going further in his letter he continued by saying that man is called to a fullness of life that far exceeds the dimensions of his earthly existence, because it consists in sharing the very life of God. Now the doctrine of Satanists is to promoting murder and all forms that opposes life like abortions, genocide, euthanasia, or willful self-destruction such as mutilation, torments inflicted on body or mind, prostitution etc. This is completely against Church's teachings and moreover, against the message of Christ who came so that we may have life, life abundantly (John 10:10).

As we can recall that the first effect of sin after humanity's fall was murder whereby Cain killed his brother Abel, was due to envy and anger (Genesis 4:4 - 5).

Satanists too kill human beings in their rituals during worship. So they advocate and promote all forms that go against human life.

Here also we see that Satan is envious and angry to God that's why his doctrine is in opposition with God. That's why the Church remains all the times firm against devil's doctrine because it is ant human life

Nevertheless, in spite of all her efforts(the Church), we witness a growing very fast a sense of culture of death in our society today. In this way, a kind of conspiracy against life is unleashed. And this conspiracy involves all dimensions of life; family, community, society as whole, and even at national and international level. I can give an example of the campaign of population control as one of

⁴² John Paul II, Encyclical, *Evangelium Vitae*, No. 1, 25 March, 1995.

devilish campaign against the gospel of life that the Church is fighting against in all her efforts.

In conclusion to this part I can say that despite of increasingly these activities of opposing the efforts of the Church to promote human life every day, the Church will continuing standing firmly on her teachings towards promotion of human life as this is the mandate she is given by Jesus Christ. The powers of the devil will never ever be given chance to rule over the powers of Jesus Christ.

Note that these are just few major effects I highlighted in this part, but there are many other effects that the Church is constantly struggling and fighting against them that are not included here.

6.1.4 Pastoral Solution and Recommendations:

Pastoral Solution

The Church has been always guiding her flocks against in involving in any group or association which come with ideologies and unsound doctrines that are doubtful even if they use the holy bible or any other spiritual texts. I say 'Unsound doctrine and ideology' When I mean any teaching which is contrary to the teachings of the Church on matters of faith and morals. To be more practical on this issue, when the Freemasons emerged with its unclear and doubtful doctrine, the Church steadily issued a document to state her position on the movement. Seven Popes namely; Clement XII, Pius VII, Leo XIII, Pius VIII, Gregory XVI and Pius IX stated clearly that Freemason is forbidden for Catholics.

In his *Humanus Genus* of 20th April 1884, Pope Leo XIII stated that the Magisterium of the Church has denounced in Freemasonry philosophical ideas and moral conceptions opposed to Catholic doctrine.⁴³ The Pope urged bishops to tear the mask of freemasonry and let it be seen for what it is really.

In his Letter to the Italian People *Custodi* (8 December 1892), he wrote:

*“Let us remember that Christianity and Freemasonry are essentially irreconcilable, so that enrolment in one means separation from the other.”*⁴⁴

To cement her stand, the old code of Canon Law (No. 2335 of 1907) threatened to excommunicate members who will be involved to the Freemasons. As a result of this, the Church of England, which initially supported the movement and even had bishops as members, has now withdrawn its support and membership.

6.2 Present Magisterium:

In the new code of Canon Law no explicitly mention of Freemasonry but Pope John Paul II following the steps of his predecessors, continues to support and defend the doctrine of the Church on the issues of faith and morals. One example is when he issued his eleventh Encyclical letter on the value and inviolability of human life. In this encyclical letter, *Evangelium Vitae*, the Supreme Pontiff addressed to the bishops, priests and deacons, men and women religious, lay faithful and all people of good will on the value and inviolability of human life.

⁴³ . Pope Leo XIII, Encyclical, *Humanum Genus*, 20 April, 1884, No. 31

⁴⁴ . Christian Order, March, Ireland, 1989, P. 165

Furthermore, Human life is therefore also a social good; its protection is a basic purpose for which societies and legal systems are established.

“When the Church declares that unconditional respect for the right to life of every innocent person -from conception to natural death - is one of the pillars on which every civil society stands, she wants simply to promote a human state. A state, which recognizes the defense of the fundamental rights of the human person, especially of the weakest, as its primary duty”.

In this regard, the Magisterium listed among basic human rights “the right to life, to bodily integrity, and to the means which are necessary and suitable for the proper development of life. Therefore, the Church has never kept quiet, and it will never keep quiet, when the lives of the people are threatened or violated by anybody or group of peoples whatever reasons or means they come with.

6.3 Recommendations:

There is a cause for alarm amongst the Christians as in Kenya more and more Christian churches continue to flock the society. Most of them are thinly disguised as scientific clubs, brotherhoods or non-religious organizations. Among the Christians, they bring up thought like ‘Why should people give alms in the church, or is the

Bible real god's word, etc. They even offer some cash money to people for attending and even more cash for recruiting new followers.

So, it is the right for the public to know who operates in their land, what he/she does and why doing this and in the open instead of in the secrecy.

However, since there is no one formula of joining the cult of devil worship, and even the reasons are differing from one individual to the other, my recommendations will base mostly on this line. These are the recommendations:

- Since the youths are targets especially in the schools, heads of schools should be given seminars and workshops on the danger of the cult and how to be able discover any student who is involved in the cult in order to act immediately
- To have some counseling centers in schools in order to help and rehabilitate those who confessed to be involved in the cult
- All visitors who come to visit students in schools should be monitored
- Religious Education should be introduced to all schools
- The Church should make sure that Christian faith is properly taught to the faithful especially during catechism classes, more emphasis should be put on the bible.
- The Church should conscientize her faithful about the presence of the cult and make them aware of their tricky methods they use to capture followers. Here the Church can use small Christian community meetings to educate her people

- The Church also be careful and cautious in admitting those people who cross from one denomination to our Church because others might come with malicious intentions. They have to be Scrutinized properly before admission
- However, the Church should organize some small 'Self Help Projects' to help those who less fortunate in the community to get some fund from it and do small business. Saint John the Evangelist Parish Langata is an example of self help project because during Sunday's announcements we hear them announcing to the people and they have got many members who are helped. Here we give less chance for those who are less fortune to be lured by the Satanists who use money to get new follower.
- The Church should organize from time to time seminars and workshop for the youth to educate them about the dangers of drug abuses and teach them about the importance of observing and living Christian values because nowadays they live in the midst of confused world whereby other values rather than Christian are given priority.
- However, for the agents of evangelization, they should teach our people that the gospel message of Jesus Christ is not necessarily equated with material success, otherwise Jesus himself could come in the world in a very majestic, rich and honorable way. Even when Satan tempted him in the desert promising him to give him all the wealth of the world (Matthew 4:8 - 10), Jesus sent him away. So, the gospel values here are not equal to material gains, this should be properly communicated to our people.

- In the families, parents should be very careful not entrust their young children to strangers otherwise they might end loosing them to Satanists who will sacrifice them to the devil. Here I mean also to be very careful in accepting housemaids who are not known well their backgrounds.
- People should avoid visiting dangerous prone areas like night clubs, casinos, brothels, discos etc., because these areas and of the likes are where most of these agents of the cult do hunt people for joining them or people for sacrifice during worship. I appeal to our young ladies to be very careful about these areas as they might find themselves victims.
- The government should also be reminded that it is their duty make sure that the lives of her citizens should be protected and that the economy of the country should be improved and shared justly so that there will be no much hardship of life in the country as this may give an opportunity to the Satanists to lure some people to them.
- Prayers of deliverance should be exercised very often so that the powers of Jesus Christ may reign in the world over those of the devil.

6.4 Conclusion:

Fighting the devil's power is not an easy job since he is a supernatural being. However, Christ the Lord who is our commander in this battle, when we trust in him without reservation and let him lead us, we shall win this battle. Therefore put all your trust in the Lord.

GENERAL CONCLUSION:

Coming to the end of my work, it is clear that, Satanism is not a creation of mind as some people have claimed it, but it is a present reality in our society and it has caused a lot of damage to the people. Satanism has penetrated to every sphere of life even to our churches. We Christians particularly are the most targeted group among others because Satan is the greatest enemy of God and Jesus Christ.

Now by recognizing the mighty powers of the devil, the tricks he uses to win more followers, Christians should be cautious not to fall victim of the devil's hand. Christians should base their believes and actions on the teachings of the holy Bible and that of the Church, offering sacrifice and prayers to God for wisdom and guidance whenever in doubt.

It is therefore important to stay awake all the times and believe in Jesus Christ's redeeming power in every day all our lives.

Moreover, since the Satanists use riches, power and prestige to lure his followers, it is important for all agents of evangelization to avoid falling victims to this tricky attracting means which the devil implores, otherwise they might find themselves promoting the devil's dominion in our society instead of Christ's reign over the world.

However, the modern generation who feel that God has failed because morally upright people do not seem to be doing as well as the corrupt and sinful in

their midst who live affluent lives, the Church must take her prophetic role by bringing Good News to them

through evangelization and living a life of Christian testimony. When these people found that the Church is in solidarity with them, they feel cared, therefore they live the life of instead of despair.

Finally, may I end here by saying that even though how powerful the devil might ever be, but the message of the Gospel is victory for us through faith in Jesus Christ, who fought the battle against the enemy on the cross and in His perfect life, obtaining for us that victory over sin, death, and all powers of darkness as evidence in His resurrection from the dead.

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THE KENYA GAZETTE NOTICE NO. 6783 OF 21ST OCTOBER 1994

APPOINTMENTS

It is notified for public information that His Excellency, President Daniel Toroitich arap Moi, C.G.H., M.P., on Thursday, 20th October, 1994, appointed a Committee of social workers, law enforcement officers and spiritual leaders to investigate into the allegations of the existence of the cult of devil worship in our country and its reported linkage to drug abuse and other anti-social activities. The Committee will be composed of:-

Archbishop Nicodemus Kirima - Chairman
 Josiah O. Okumu }
 W.W. Maina (Mrs) } (Joint Secretaries)

MEMBERS:

Jones Kaleli (Dr) (Rev), Fred Ojiambo, Crispo W. Ongoro, Phillista Onyango (Dr) Mrs), Jude Ongonga (Prof), Bishop Horace Etemesi.

The terms of reference for this Committee will be:

- To investigate into the allegations of the existence of the cult of devil worship in Kenya.
- To establish the extent the cult of devil worship may have affected our learning institutions and other elements of our society.
- To establish the reported linkage to drug abuse and other anti-social activities.
- To report on measures necessary to deal firmly with this menace.
- To examine any other matters which the Probe Committee considers relevant.

The Committee is to submit its report in three (3) months.

Dated the 21st October, 1994

P.M. Mbithi

Permanent Secretary, Secretary to the Cabinet and Head of Public Service

GAZETTE NOTICE NO.6800 OF 24TH OCTOBER, 1994 COMMITTEE ON DEVIL WORSHIP

Appointment of Additional Member

It is notified for public information that His Excellency, President Daniel Toroitich arap Moi, C.G.H., M.P., appoints:- **BERNARD MUINDI (REV)** to be additional member of the Committee on Devil Worship.

Dated the 24th October, 1994.

P.M. Mbithi

Permanent Secretary, Secretary to the Cabinet and Head of Public Service

GAZETTE NO. 7158 OF 1 NOVEMBER, 1994 COMMITTEE ON DEVIL WORSHIP

Appointment of Additional Member

It is notified for public information that His Excellency, the President, Daniel Toroitich arap Moi, C.G.H., appoints:- **BONIFACE ADOYO (REV)** to be additional member of the Committee on Devil Worship.

Dated the 7th November, 1994

P.M. Mbithi

Permanent Secretary, Secretary to the Cabinet and Head of Public Service

THE COMMISSIONS OF INQUIRY (CAP.102)

Appointment of Commission of Inquiry

In EXERCISE of the powers conferred by section 10 of the Commission of Inquiry Act, I, Daniel Toroitich arap Moi, President and Commander in-Chief of the Armed Forces of the Republic of Kenya, being of the opinion that it is in the public interest to do so, do appoint a Commission of Inquiry to inquire into allegations of the existence of the cult of devil worship in Kenya, and its reported linkage to drug abuse and other anti social activities, to come up with the following:-

Archbishop Nicodemus Kirima - Chairman

Jones Kaleli (Dr.) Rev., Fred Omondi Oliver Njoroge, Crispo Willis Ongoro, Jude Ongonga, Bishop Horace Etemesi, Bernard Muindi (Rev.), Boniface Adoyo (Rev.) to be Commissioners, and Josiah O. Okumu, Virginia Wairimu Maina (Mrs.), to be joint secretaries to the commission, and Joe Wandago Ochieng, Duncan Mwanyumba to be counsels to assist the commission.


D.T. Arap Moi,
President

THE KENYA GAZETTE NOTICE NO. 7158 OF 1ST MARCH 1995

THE COMMISSIONS OF INQUIRY (Cap 102) COMMISSION OF INQUIRY

Citation

A COMMISSION to inquire into allegations of the existence of the cult of devil worship in Kenya and its reported linkage to drug abuse and other anti-social activities.



The Chairman of the Commission on Devil Worship, Catholic Archbishop Nicodemus Kiriwa (right) with some of the commissioners during one of their meetings and interviews with members of the public. The government should investigate activities of Freemasonry."

THEY TELL LIES AND HAVE A PENCHANT for blood, both human and animal. Moreover, they feed on human flesh. They have wicked and outrageous imaginations and engage in orgies of sex, their victims being mostly children and minors. They are engaged in false prophesy and double talk as well as horrifying crimes which include mutilating and severing parts of the bodies of their victims such as tongues, genitals, eyes, ears and limbs. Other criminal activities include human sacrifice, drug abuse, use of violent and vulgar language, kidnapping of people especially children, rape and child abuse as part of their occultic rituals. They defy authority, participate in mass discipline and engage in corrupt activities. They embrace homosexuality and lesbianism.

These are devil worshippers, satanists and any other outrageous and destructive characters, groups and institutions whose beliefs, practices and conducts are contrary to the good society. They are secretive, destructive and deliberate. They all go for anything that may be contrary to the divine moral command or against human harmony and expectation. Among their common rituals are, the presence of snakes, human sacrifice, drinking of human blood and eating of human flesh, black mass and wine, nudity of participants in the ritual, sexual abuse and rape of minors.

Whereas in the past, cults or systems of religious worship especially as expressed in rituals, devotion or homage to persons or things, were associated with the poor and underprivileged, today they tend to appeal to the affluent, middle and upper class people. Increasingly,

the cult of devil worship in Kenya is being associated with economic gain because most satanists include the ruling class, i.e. the military, public servants and political leaders; and professionals such as lawyers, doctors.

It is because of revelations of numerous incidents of devil worship and practices of satanism; their infiltration into various groups, organisations and institutions with devastating consequences; and the profound public concern including the apprehension by parents about their children, that prompted President Daniel arap Moi to appoint a committee to investigate those allegations.

The above are some of the views expressed by the Presidential Commission of Inquiry into the Cult of Devil Worship in Kenya appointed by Moi on October 21, 1994. It is instructive that despite the direction from the President that the Commission execute the inquiry "with all the diligence and speed and make the report without undue delay", it is not until this month that the report was tabled in Parliament as a result of consistent and persistent public outcry. Previously the report had been released to sections of the Churches and its excerpts highlighted in sections of the media.

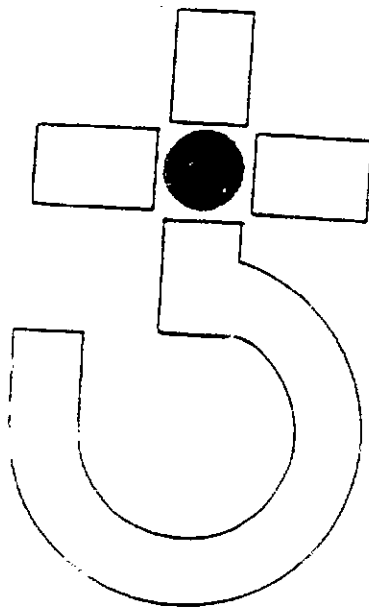
FINANCE considers the report of such public interest as to deserve full production in three *Special Editions*, starting with this issue. The next one will highlight the *General Observations, The Impact of Devil Worship in Learning Institutions and Society in General* while the last part will feature the *Summary of Recommendations*.



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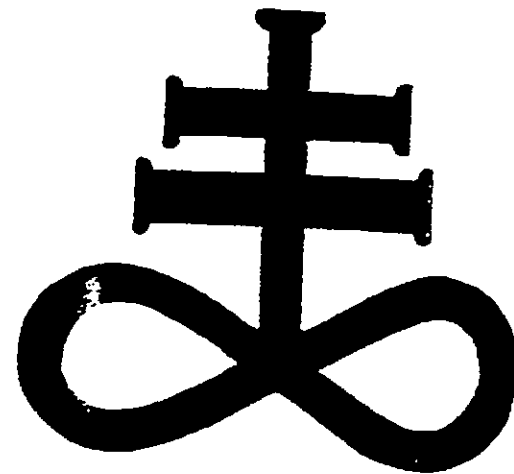
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The Dragon
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SATANIC CROSS

The Satanic Cross or Cross of Confusion is meant to invert the message of the Christian faith and the effects of the cross of Christ. The inverted question mark symbolically asks "Did Jesus really die for us?" This symbol can be seen on the guitars and album covers of the rock groups Blue Oyster Cult.

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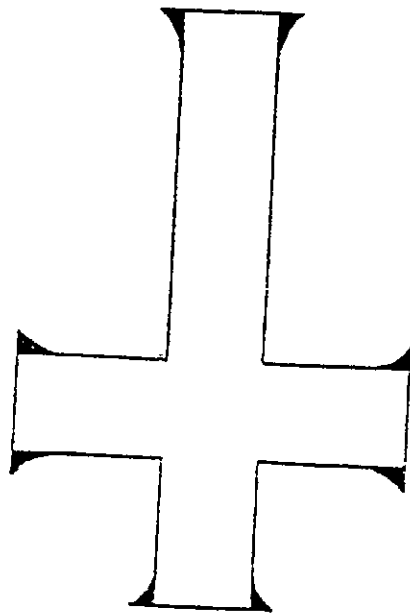


CROSS OF LORRAINE

The Cross of Lorraine can be seen in the Satanic Bible as well as on rock album covers.

At the base of the cross we see the horizontal figure eight, which is the mathematical symbol for infinity. Many believe that the longer cross bar, which is *between* the cross bar on which Jesus was nailed and the infinity symbol below, represents the breaking of Christ's power.

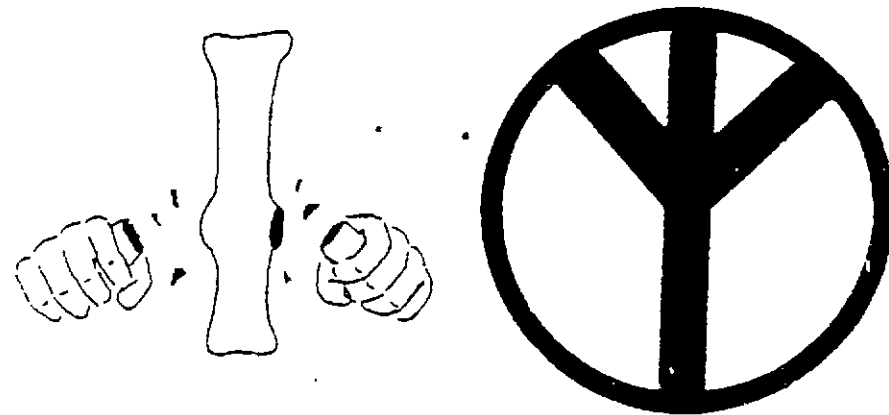
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INVERTED CROSS

The Inverted or Southern Cross symbolizes a rejection and mockery of the cross of Jesus Christ and the salvation that it stands for. The cross is turned upside down in order to let the Christianity drain from it.

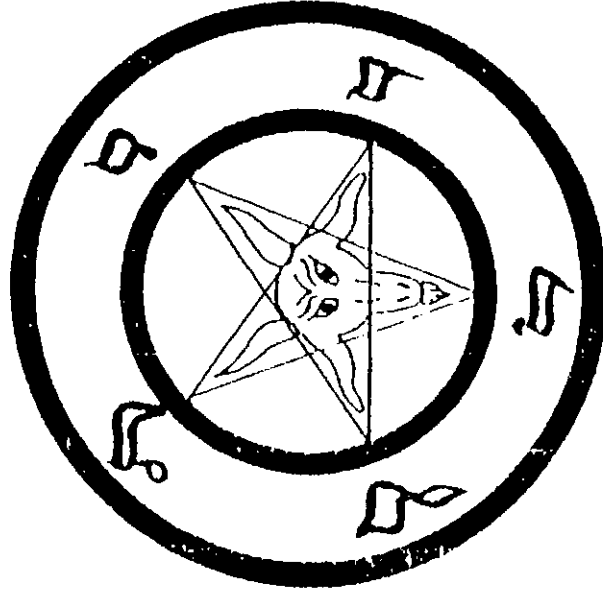
Some Satanists actually have crosses fastened on the soles of their feet so that they are constantly treading upon the cross of Jesus. Others may simply draw a cross on the bottoms of their shoes for the same purpose.



PEACE SIGN

Some satanic cults take the inverted cross (described above) one step further in order to renounce the cross of Christ. An initiate is given a small ceramic cross, which he turns upside down in order to let the Christianity drain from it. He then grasps the inverted cross by the cross bars and breaks them downward (Fig. 1). Some people believe that this is what the "peace symbol" originally stood for.

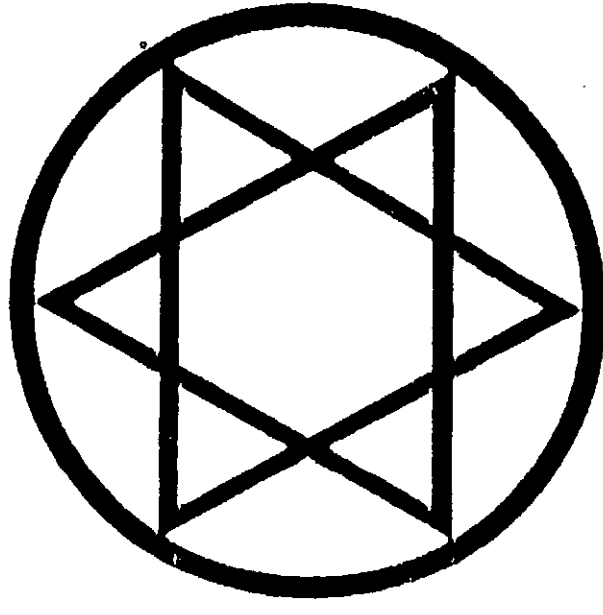
However, as with the Star of David, there can be no doubt that countless individuals who display the peace symbol (Fig. 2) on their clothing or jewelry display it to promote peace and probably are unaware of its occult meaning.



EMBLEM OF BAPHOMET

The inverted pentagram easily becomes the Emblem of Baphomet, with the two upper points of the star representing horns, the two side points representing ears, and the bottom point of the star representing the chin. Baphomet is considered a demonic deity, depicting Satan.

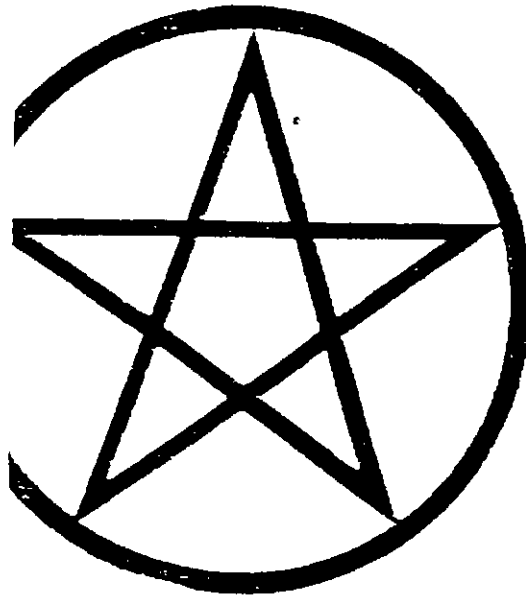
The Emblem of Baphomet appears on the front cover of Anton LaVey's *Satanic Bible* and is also found in other



THE HEXAGRAM

The hexagram is generally considered to be the most powerful symbol in the occult arts. We use the root word "hex" when referring to a witch or Satanist casting a spell on someone.

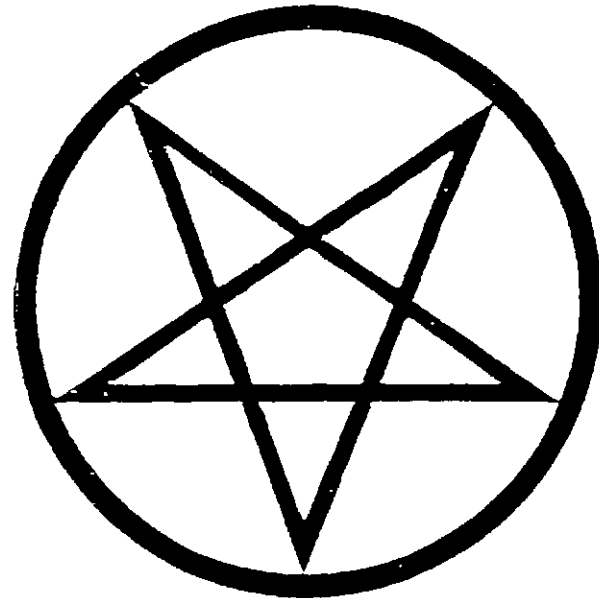
It is believed that the Israelites began using this symbol during their captivity in Babylon. However, the Jewish



THE PENTAGRAM

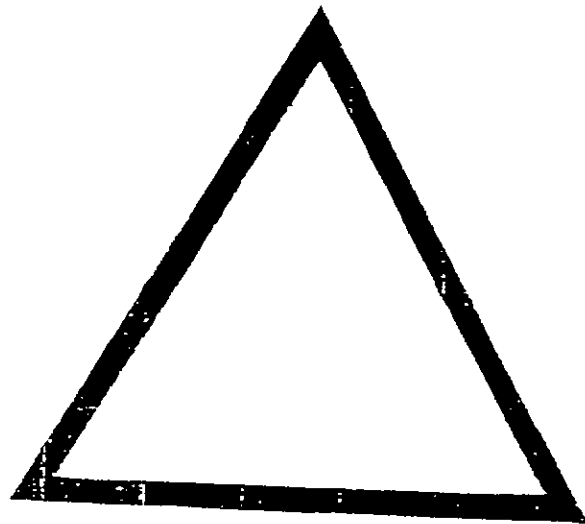
The pentagram is perhaps one of the most popular symbols around today. It can be seen on rock albums, and of course, necklaces and rings.

The pentagram is associated with witchcraft and usually



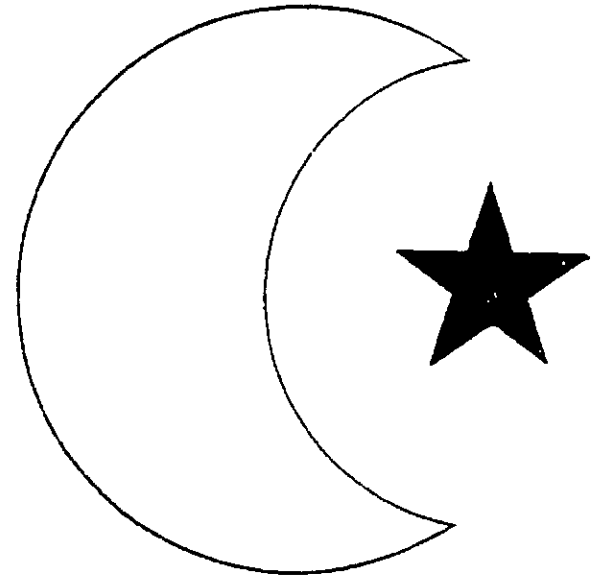
INVERTED PENTAGRAM

The inverted pentagram on the other hand is a symbol that generally represents evil or Black Magic. It is considered a powerful symbol and is used in satanic practices.



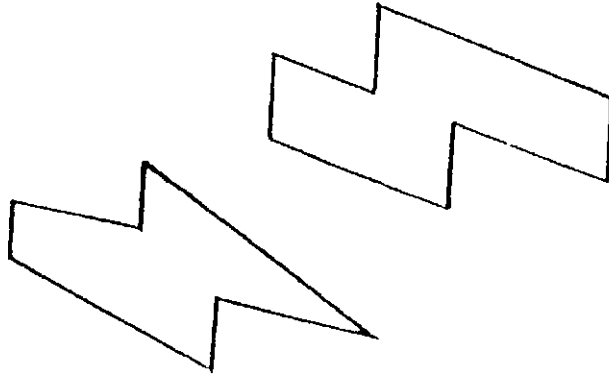
THAUMATURGIC TRIANGLE

The symbol depicted here is used for such magica
for the purpose of the devil



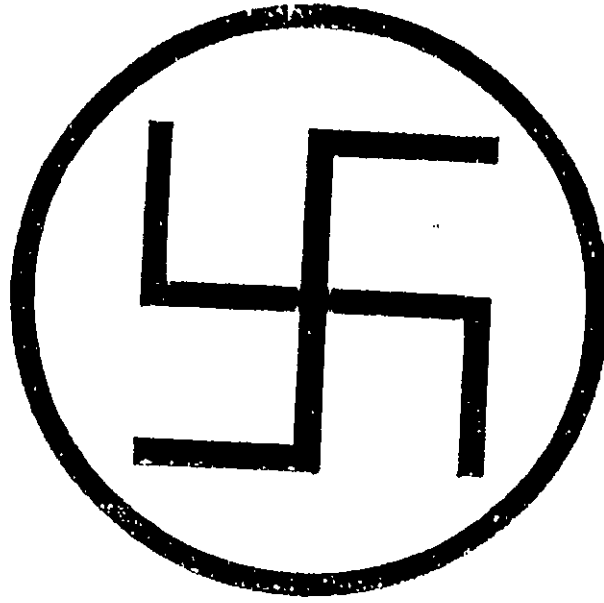
CRESCENT MOON & STAR

The Crescent Moon and Star is used to represent
 Diana the Queen or Goddess of Heaven, Moon, and Earth
 This talisman may be worn as jewelry for protection against
the evil eye



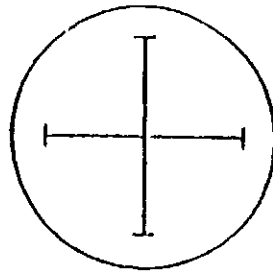
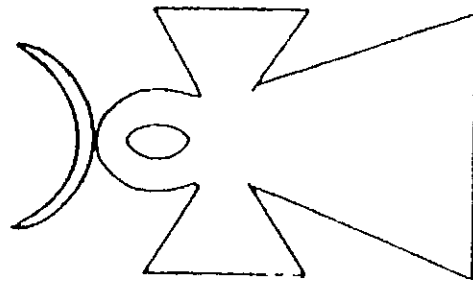
SATANIC LIGHTNING BOLT

This symbol which was used for Adolf Hitler's
SS (Schutzstaffel) was also used by the
Nazis to represent the sun.



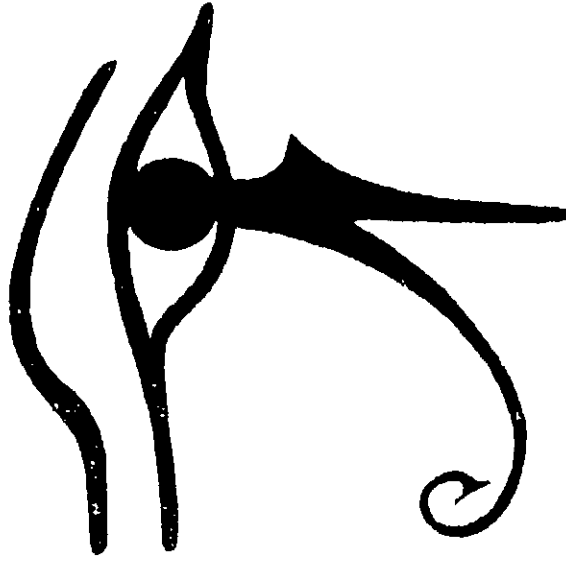
SWASTIKA

This ancient symbol is generally believed to represent the sun or the four arms of a Hindu deity. It was used by Hitler and the Nazis to represent the sun.



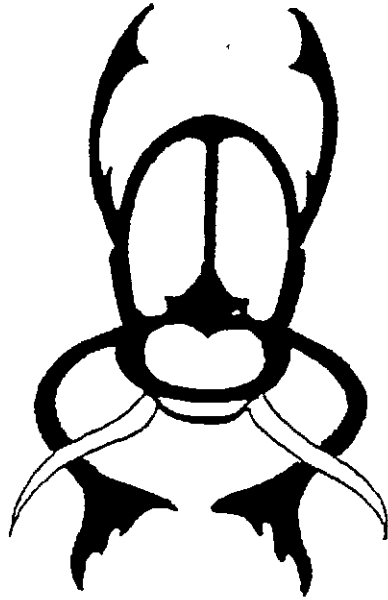
THE BLACK MASS

The symbols shown above are used to indicate a
Black Mass.



THE ALL-SEEING EYE

Also called Udjat or The Eye of Horus, this symbol
is referred to as the creator of men and things in the Egyptian Book of the Dead.



DUNG BEETLE

The Egyptian dung beetle, or scarab, is a symbol of reincarnation. As with other Egyptian symbols, the scarab can be found on some rock album covers.

NATAS

REDRUM

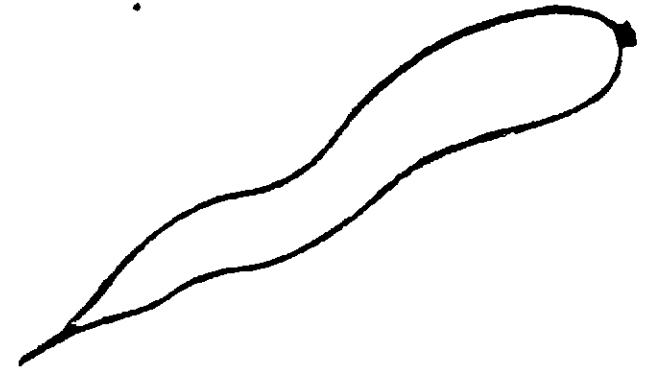
BACKWARD WRITING

Satanists frequently write words backwards both as a mockery of the proper way of doing things as well as to confuse the average layman. The words above, *NATAS*, which is *SATAN* spelled backwards, and *REDRUM*, which is *MURDER* spelled backwards, are two of the most popular words among teen-agers and dabblers. Such words are often seen on school notebooks and as graffiti on buildings and bridges.



THE ANKH

The ankh is a symbol from ancient Egypt. It represents fertility and reincarnation. Many people who wear this symbol as a necklace seem to feel that it is simply a more fashionable, or up-to-date version of the Christian cross. In truth, however, it most assuredly has nothing to do with the Christian faith.



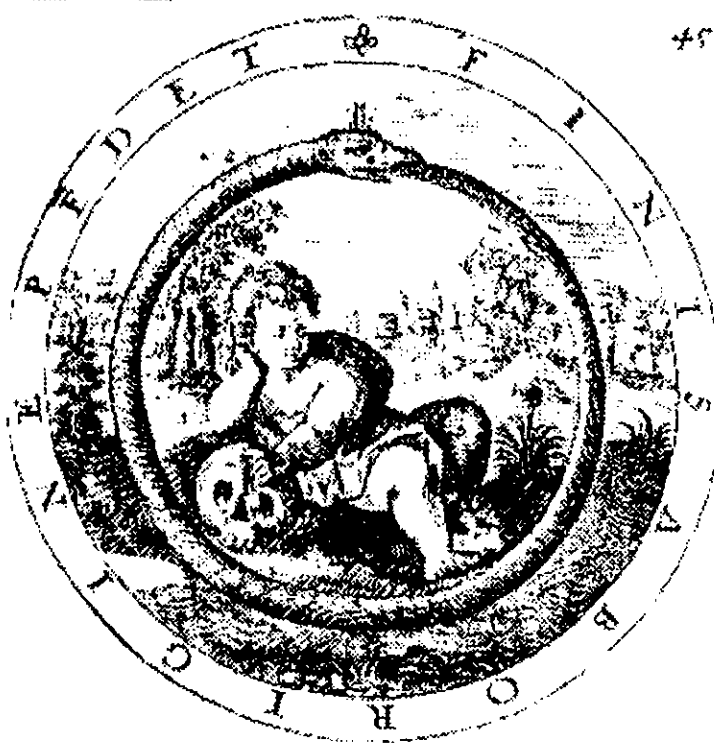
THE UNICORN HORN

Also known as the Italian Horn, Leprechaun's Staff, and Fairy Wand, this symbol signifies that the wearer is trusting Satan for his finances.

This symbol is extremely popular as a necklace but can also be seen resembling a large red pepper hanging from the rear view mirror of a car.



The Egyptian Cobra is the "trumpet" image of Satan whose "hiss" is the magic of brass instruments with the power to paralyze the mind God created in humans. Jesus did say that the truth was hidden in parables "from the foundation of the world" to keep truth away from those who do not love truth.



✠ This symbol is also called, "Ouroboros", but its meaning is deeper. "This snake, sometimes called the Ouroboros, is a symbol of Time, from which alone **Wisdom (Sophia)** springs. The snake encircles the two symbols of the extremes of created **life (Zoe)** -- the child and the death-symbol of the skull. Between them, the child and skull are intended to symbolize the 'beginning and then end'. As a whole, the emblem may be interpreted as meaning, 'In the end, is my beginning', or 'The End is Found in the Beginning', which is approximately what the Latin around the circle

means." [Magic Symbols, Ibid.] These two statements are speaking of the pagan belief in Reincarnation I also am offended by the fact that the Satanist views the entire created world as being surrounded and controlled by the serpent, as this second Ouroboros depicts. But, I guess the Bible states that Satan is the "Lord of this World", is the "**Prince of the Power of the Air**", and is generally in control of this wicked world until Jesus Christ returns. **From**

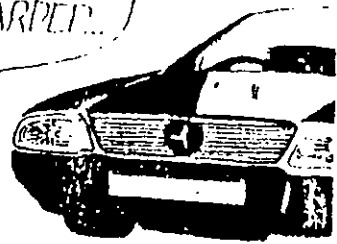
See the gods of the air in 1 Corinthians.

NEVER TELL THE TRUTH

THE THIRTEEN COMMANDMENTS

1. THOU SHALT NEVER WAVER FROM DEVIL WORSHIP
2. THOU SHALT INSPIRE TERROR UNTO MANKIND
3. THOU SHALT FOREVER REMAIN CORRUPT
4. NEVER TELL THE TRUTH
5. THOU SHALT WORSHIP IN DARKNESS
6. THOU SHALT ENCOURAGE IDOL WORSHIP
7. THOU SHALT MURDER WITHOUT MERCY
8. THOU SHALT EATETH HUMAN FLESH & DRINK THY BLOOD
9. THOU SHALT PRACTICE SEXUAL ABUSE
10. THOU SHALT OFFER HUMAN SACRIFICES
11. THOU SHALT FOREVER REMAIN GREEDY
12. THOU SHALT NOT PAY THY DEBTS
13. THOU SHALT NEVER TIRE IN OUR GRABBING MISSIONS

NOW, THOU SHALT BE REWARDED



The Antichrist

