

# DEVIL WORSHIP: WHAT DOES GERALDO SAY?

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Tuesday, October 25th, as students were still arriving on campus from Fall Break, Howerton lobby was packed with students. All ears were tuned to a special presentation by talk show host Geraldo Rivera, called "Devil Worship: Satan's Underground Exposed." The 2 hour special aired on NBC.

This special presentation revealed all types of murders, tortures, human and animal sacrifices and other satanic rituals related to this cult. These rituals are performed to Satan in hopes of the worshipper obtaining power in Hell. The "priests" in this cult brainwash the worshippers to believe in thier Satanic Bible. A strong belief of Satan worshippers is that "good is evil and evil is good". These people see nothing wrong with sacrificing an innocent newborn baby or torturing a teenager to death.

Law enforcement officials were interviewed before and during this special presentation. Some of these officers have seen and witnessed these cult rituals. Some of these officers have arrested and tried to prosecute the sick minds within these cults. One such example is the murderer Charles Manson, who stated in a taped interview with Geraldo that he (Manson) "is the devil and God is dead".

Prosecution of Satan worshippers is next to impossible because of the lack of evidence. Rarely is there found

a body or skeleton of a human sacrifice or torture. If the body is not burned to ashes, the remains are eaten by worshippers or the remains are chopped up and disposed of like trash.

Geraldo interviewed numerous parents whose children have been abused, tortured and/or murdered by these Satan worshippers. The story of one woman's children sacrificed to Satan is told in her book "Satan's Worship." The release of her book has prompted hundreds of parents to report their children's involvement in Satan worship and the sacrifice rituals their children are involved in.

Geraldo also interviewed the children. Some of these children interviewed were as young as four and five years of age. The viewers were shocked to hear children tell explicit stories of how they were sexually abused, tortured and some who were even forced to kill other children in Satanic worship. It was very heart wrenching to know of the physical, emotional, and mental scars these children will have for the rest of thier lives.

A former Satan worshipper who is due to die by lethal injection for the murder of his father, step-mother and a convenience store clerk, was interviewed from the Minnesota State Penitentiary. The teenager, Sean Sellars, is sixteen years old. When

asked if he had used Satanism as an excuse for the murders he committed, Sean replied, "Absolutely not!" He went on to tell television viewers that he had accepted Jesus as his personal savior and the only way for anyone to fully get out of any Satanic cult, was through Jesus Christ. A few of the viewers in Howerton expressed their disbelief as to Sean's salvation but I believe him. I believe when we get to heaven, he'll be there.

I was extremely impressed by Geraldo's words and actions throughout the program. Every 15 minutes, he would stop the show and tell television viewers that it was NOT for children to watch. He kept repeating that parental discretion was advised and with the stories and pictures shown, children should not be watching.

The program was very informing although somewhat alarming to realize how widespread the Satanic worships have gone. Years ago, it only involved "wierdos" and strange people. Now, your next door neighbor could be involved and you would never know. That's scary.

Mark 12:29 "... the Lord our God is one Lord..." 12:32 "... there is one God: and there is none other but he." Some Satan worshippers believe that Satan is the only ruler of the world and believe Satan is the only god. We know better!

## MONTREAT

Montreat-Anderson College,  
a college with a heart.

On any given day, one  
can find a hundred special  
things to say.

No one turns the other way,  
instead everyone is genuinely  
interested.

To be a friend is to listen,  
to listen is to be quiet.

Reaping the blessings He  
has given us, we  
students Love our God.

Each day brings a  
Newness, something  
we've never known.

And brings us closer  
together, as we are  
far from home.

The place to be for a God  
centered education,  
And a Love that has no  
End.

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gripe and complain about what is provided in the cafeteria or anywhere else for you. I think Jack does a super job in the cafeteria in providing new and special things. There has been quite a change since I first came here four years ago. Believe me, it's a lot better and it keeps improving. It really aggravates me to hear people complain about the food. Did you know that God tells us not to complain? Philippians 2:14 says, do all things without complaining and arguing." Just remember that there is always someone who is less fortunate than you are and you could have been one of those less fortunate, but God chose to bless you in this area. So why not take a few minutes right now and really thank Him.

## STRYPER

### TRUSTS IN GOD BUT MISSES THE MARK

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"In God We Trust," the title cut from Stryper's newest album was first seen by me on MTV-- played between two other rockin' groups, Poison and Cinderella. I was pleased. Being the Stryper fan that I am, I went out in search of Stryper. Unfortunately, the controversy surrounding this group has made most of my usual Christian Bookstore haunts unwilling and/or "unable" to carry any of Stryper's music, so I headed on out to the good ole' record store.

Of all groups, I would love to give Stryper's album a rave review but to me this album was quite a dissapointment.

Although I appreciate Stryper's effort to make us aware of America's present state of affairs through the songs "In God We Trust" and "The Reign," I can't appreciate the actual songs. "In God We Trust" is a short song which sounds like at least five other Stryper songs. "The Reign" screams out the lyrics "Cars, mansions and planes/ Income that never refrains," which is a foreshadowing of the song, which

never refrains but seems to loosely scream out some ideas with no metre or rhythm included. With screaming guitars (or is it keyboards and drums?) the soloist crescendos and decresendos, once again crescendoing into a throat rasping screech. "The Reign" carries poetic license too far. (Carl Sandburg might as well have written something called "Chicago.")

There are some redeeming features, such as Stryper's consistent release of albums. The songs "Come to the Everlife" and "The World of You and I" are better than the afore mentioned songs but there again, predictable.

Another song that caught my attention was "It's Up 2 U." That's right folks, not "To You" but "2 U." What is Stryper trying to say? "Hmmm... you be the judge."

Despite this lousy review, I am still a loyal Stryper fan. I somehow can't help but admire a Christian group that appears on MTV between Poison and Cinderella. One bad album out of thier many other sucesses, I hope is just a fluke.

## REAL LIFE CONVERSATIONS

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"Real Life Conversations" by Steven Curtis Chapman is a definite statement of the maturing of this artist's talent. Chapman's previous album "First Hand" was an upbeat album with many good messages but without a lot of variation in style. (I always felt like I was listening to either a "slow song" or a "fast song.") Although this album isn't a 100% break from Chapman's stylistic accomplishments--that's okay! Succeeding in polishing his already "good" music Chapman has made this one terrific album! There is a lot more variation between the two albums and between options on "Real Life Conversations."

As far as "best song" goes, I think Chapman should be highly commended for "Jesus' Eyes". This song differs from the usual rhyme and word play Chapman likes to employ. I consider the lyrics in this song to be pure poetry set to music. The orchestration in the song is blended beautifully with the lyrics, serving to enhance the poetic effect even more.

Other accomplishments include, "Faithful Too," "His Strength Is Perfect," and "Wait." Songs with a particularly moving message are "For Who He Really Is," and "Truth or Consequences," a song which, I think, we all can find particularly easy to relate to. "The TV said just make sure you're old enough/ And let your feelings tell you when it's right/ What went wrong? She thought it was really love/ Now she wonders why she just can't sleep at night/ She knew the rules but they were too old fashioned/ Was it worth the the price she had to pay/ It's either truth or consequences..."

Regardless of where your preferred musical tastes lie, Chapman's style and masterful lyrics create a definite and wonderful message of God's grace in the midst of our weaknesses. Chapman's honesty and sincerity is appreciated by this listener.