

SERMON NOTES FOR SUNDAY – OCTOBER 31, 2010
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TITLE: “Are You Dabbling In the Occult?”

TEXT: 2 Corinthians 4:3-4; Ephesians 6:11-13

INTRODUCTION: Young and old alike are dabbling in the three different parts of the occult ...

1. Fortune telling (astrology, horoscopes, palmistry, etc.).
2. Magic (white and black) Not to be confused with entertainment.
3. Spiritism (communications with the spirit world).

Three questions to ask....

1. Is it an innocent pastime?
2. Can a Christian play around with it for fun?
3. What does God say about it?

Today’s text indicates that all of this is under the leadership of the “god of this age”.

I: HIS PERSONALITY

1. A great spiritual individuality (see Jude 9)
2. No ordinary wicked spirit could dare tempt Jesus Himself with the kingdoms of this world.
3. He is not worshiped as an ugly, cruel-faced devil ... He is “an angel of light”.
4. His personality is that of a DECEIVER.

II: HIS OVERCOMERS

1. Fill yourself with good things ...
 - a) An empty soul is an invitation to Satan
 - b) Dwell on the good things of God (Philippians 4:8)
2. Satan is roaming the world looking for dabblers to devour. BE AN OVERCOMER!

CONCLUSION: “Put on the whole armor of God, that you may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil.” GREAT ADVICE!