

The Power Behind the Music - Aleister Crowley's Influence on Rock Music

"It is better to hear the rebuke of the wise, than for a man to hear the song of fools." - Ecclesiastes 7:5

It's better for someone to tell you the truth, even if it's ugly and harsh, than for someone to make you feel good with lies and entertainment.

It seems as if all anyone wants to hear today is the song of fools to lull them into a false sense of happiness. Music is used by many as an escape from the insane world we live in. Music is like a drug that makes you feel good, numbs the pain, and leaves you craving for more. Music is used as an outlet for emotion like depression, anger, and frustration, while at the same time intensifying and fueling these same emotions.

Music is a very powerful force that can shape attitudes and opinions of entire generations. It influences worldviews, speech, attitudes, and appearance. To some, music is a way of life and they could not live without it.

To say that music does not affect people, is the height of willful ignorance.

Some questions you want to ask your self are:

Could music be used to manipulate you? Could music be used by by unseen intelligent forces to influence your behavior to conform to their will? In the end, does the music you listen to help you or harm you?

You may have heard or read a Christian talk about rock music before as "the devil's music" and they called it "satanic". This usually prompts a response of laughter and mockery by those who listen to rock, metal, etc. because they think such things are silly superstition made up by ignorant Christians.

The question we should ask is: what makes something "satanic"?

The fact is many rock and metal artists make reference to satan in their lyrics. They talk about the devil as if he is not such a bad guy(N.I.B. by Black Sabbath) and that hell is really a party(Highway to Hell by AC/DC). Most people respond to this by saying that all the references to satan are purely tongue in cheek or simply for the sake of rebellion against the status quo of society and religion.

The problem with that is that you don't take into consideration the beliefs of the band themselves and what they admit to believing. If you would study lyrics, album covers, and interviews with many bands you would see a huge influence by a man by the name of Aleister Crowley.

Aleister Crowley is probably the most infamous satanist in history. He committed heinous acts of child rape and sacrifice, practiced black magick by summoning up demons, and was called the wickedest man that ever lived.

You may say to yourself, "Come on man, child sacrifice? You're insane." Okay, read Crowley's words yourself:

"For the highest spiritual working one must according choose that victim which contains the greatest and purest force. A male child of perfect innocence and high intelligence is the most satisfactory and suitable victim. . . But the bloody sacrifice, though more dangerous, is more efficacious: and for nearly all purposes human sacrifice is the best". (Aleister Crowley, Magick: Liber ABA, book four, parts I-IV, part Three-Magick in Theory and Practice, 1994 Ordo Templi Orientis edition, pp. 207, 208)

Now you must ask yourself why would all these bands be so greatly influenced by such an evil man? You should also ask yourself, if none of these bands believe satan is real, why are they influenced by a man who did?

"I simply went over to Satan's side; and to this hour I cannot tell why."- Aleister Crowley, Confessions of Aleister Crowley, p.65

"I was not content to believe in a personal devil and serve him, in the ordinary sense of the word. I wanted to get hold of him personally and become his chief of staff." - Aleister Crowley, Confessions of Aleister Crowley, p.66

"That religion they call Christianity; the devil they honor they call God. I accept these definitions, as a poet must do, if he is to be at all intelligible to his age, and it is their God and their religion that I HATE and will DESTROY." - Aleister Crowley, The World's Tragedy, p. xxxv

Aleister Crowley is on the cover of The Beatles' album Sgt. Pepper's Lonely hearts as one of their heroes, Jimmy Page of Led Zeppelin moved into Crowley's old house at Loch Ness and inscribed Crowley's motto "Do what thou wilt" on the vinyl of Led Zeppelin III, Ozzy Osbourne said Crowley was "a phenomenon of his time" and dedicated a song to him - "Mr. Crowley" which contains the following lyrics: "You fooled all the people with magic...You waited on Satan's call . . .Mr. Crowley, won't you ride my white horse", The Doors put a bust of Crowley on the back of their album "13", Bruce Dickinson of Iron Maiden wrote the song "Man of Sorrows" about Crowley and wrote the screenplay for the movie "Chemical Wedding" about Crowley, David Bowie also looked up to Crowley - In Bowie's 1971 song 'Quicksand' he sang: "I'm closer to the Golden Dawn...Immersed in Crowley's uniform of imagery."

More examples could be given of Crowley's influence on rock and metal, but this should be sufficient to prove the point. What is the point? The point is that these bands looked to the satanist Aleister Crowley's teachings for power. Power that is obtained by connecting with spirits from another realm in order to obtain fame, fortune, and other worldly musical talent.

In exchange for this power what do the bands do? They promote Crowley's central teaching to their masses of fans which is "DO WHAT THOU WILT".

"Do what thou wilt" is truly a satanic doctrine. Do you know what it means? Do whatever you want, in other words - rebellion. The main thing that makes rock and metal satanic is the promotion of rebellion. This is what God says about rebellion:

"For rebellion is as the sin of witchcraft" - I Samuel 15:23

" An evil man seeketh only rebellion:" - Proverbs 17:11

Rebellion is witchcraft and evil the word of God says. It also says rebellion is sin, what is sin?

"for sin is the transgression of the law." - I John 3:4

Rebellion is against God and His law. Did you know breaking God's commandments is satanic?

"He that committeth sin is of the devil; for the devil sinneth from the beginning" - I John 3:8

Your behavior shows you who your father is. If your behavior is characterized by rebellion, it means your father is the devil and not God:

Jesus said, "Ye are of your father the devil, and the lusts of your father ye will do." - John 8:44

What would be some examples of these lusts that people indulge in?

"[19] Now the works of the flesh are manifest, which are these; Adultery, fornication, uncleanness, lasciviousness,[20] Idolatry, witchcraft, hatred, variance, emulations, wrath, strife, seditions, heresies,[21] Envyings, murders, drunkenness, revellings, and such like: of the which I tell you before, as I have also told you in time past, that they which do such things shall not inherit the kingdom of God." - Galatians 5:19-21

This rebellion against God must be punished by God or else He would be an unjust Judge. If God let Hitler or Aleister Crowley in heaven and didn't punish them, He would be a corrupt Judge, but since God is just, He will punish all sinners who have rebelled against Him:

"[14]Behold, the Lord cometh with ten thousands of his saints,[15] To execute judgment upon all, and to convince all that are ungodly among them of all their ungodly deeds which they have ungodly committed, and of all their hard speeches which ungodly sinners have spoken against him." - Jude 1:14,15

The punishment is torment in the lake of fire for eternity:

"[8] But the fearful, and unbelieving, and the abominable, and murderers, and whoremongers, and sorcerers, and idolaters, and all liars, shall have their part in the lake which burneth with fire and brimstone: which is the second death." - Revelation 21:8

Since God is also love and desires to make peace with the rebels, He satisfied the demands of the law that we could not keep. Everyone has sinned(Rom. 3:23) and there is no such thing as a good person when compared to God's standard(Rom. 3:10), because man is a sinner and cannot perfectly keep God's law, someone had to die in our place as a substitute or we would all go to hell.

That person is Jesus Christ. He perfectly kept all of God's commandments and then was punished on the

cross to satisfy the demands of God's justice. Jesus took the punishment you deserve as a rebel against God.

"[8] But God commendeth his love toward us, in that, while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us." - Romans 5:8

Christ died for your sins so that you could be forgiven and make peace with God. The way to make peace with God is simple: repent and put your faith in Jesus Christ.

"[21] Testifying both to the Jews, and also to the Greeks, repentance toward God, and faith toward our Lord Jesus Christ." - Acts 20:21

Repent means to turn your back on your life of rebellion against God. Be sorry for and hate your sin.

"Repent, and turn yourselves from all your transgressions; so iniquity shall not be your ruin." - Ezekiel 18:30

Putting your faith in Christ means believing that he died for your sins, that he was buried, and rose again the third day. It means to trust Him with all your heart as your only hope of salvation.

"[9] That if thou shalt confess with thy mouth the Lord Jesus, and shalt believe in thine heart that God hath raised him from the dead, thou shalt be saved. [10] For with the heart man believeth unto righteousness; and with the mouth confession is made unto salvation. [13] For whosoever shall call upon the name of the Lord shall be saved." - Romans 10:9,10,13

If God is convicting you of your sin and rebellion against Him, cry out to Him for forgiveness and believe on the Lord Jesus Christ for salvation from sin and hell.

"[14] In whom we have redemption through his blood, even the forgiveness of sins:" - Colossians 1:14

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