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Subject: There's Power in the Blood

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Well we all know that right? Well here is a new take!

I get Christianity Today magazine. Mostly because I like to keep up with the news in the xian world. It can be rather dry but for a non- charismatic mag it hasn't been bad. Over the yrs there have some very deep well written full of meat articles. I haven't seen one for some time though. Which brings me to the latest issue.

Entitled "There's power in the Blood"

sub titled " On the heels of the Twilight Saga's success, Christian novelists are tapping the riches of vampire mythology"

Yes you read that right. "Christian" and "Vampire" in the same sentence. It gets worse. There were a number of individuals quoted in the article. Authors, theology professors, publishing exec. editors etc. Here are some quotes

[I]"BFJ a theology Prof at Wheaton and author of Touched by a Vampire: Discovering the Hidden Messages in the Twilight Saga believes Meyers series is so popular because its romance resonates with readers desire for radical love . . . The idea of achieving immortality through blood is central to both traditions" . . . "Vampire legends are rich with Christian symbols"

"Thomas Nelson was one of the first (xian)publishers to revisit the parallels between Christian thought and vampire myth" . . . "evil vampires who crave the blood of Christian believers yet know it will destroy them"

"AA senior vice pres of Thomas Nelson fiction was on board from the begining . . . the story of xianity is one of redemption  
. . . xian fiction should depict that regardless of subject matter"

"As to the xian communitys reaction . . . (author Wilson said) the brave try it first and then word of mouth brings in the curious."

"Xian novelist Tracey Bateman's own Vampire themed book . . . I knew writing a Christian vampire themed novel was going to be tricky. But what greater message is there than a creature ravaged by sin . . . finding redemption . . . and how fitting that redemption comes by way of blood"

"Shannon Marchese, senior editor . . . at Waterbrook says . . . Xians who have followed vampire

stories . . . have been fascinated by the powerful theme of seperation from God running through these stories"

(Author and recently saved - my note here) Ann "Rice thinks the worry over vampire fantasies is overblown" . . . in other words the myth is very compatible with xian ideas. . . The real evils in this world are not vampires Rice says . They are hunger injustice . . . Vampire stories are a relatively safe way to explore human nature.

In recent yrs I have heard men (Chuck Colson and others) on xian radio saying there is nothing wrong with Harry Potter and Lord of the Rings. God help us.

I believe that as a "group" not individuals a "group" the charismatic and evangelical churches are going to follow the antichrist. Because they don't know any better and they have leaders who have no clue which way is up spiritually. I sincerely hope I'm wrong. This article was in the premier xian magazine in the evangelical world. Everything I quoted above was written by xians. God help us.

Revelation 18/4 Just prior to the judgement of Babylon at the very end of time we have God calling his people out of the apostate church. What on earth are they doing there? The article above shows one reason why. Because they simply don't know any better. Because they have leaders who in this area are just brute beasts & dumb dogs who cannot bark.

Some time ago the Lord gave me a vision of a particular senior charismatic minister and leader of a very popular meeting (in a big city north of the US border shall we say) It was very well known for its great anointing.

I saw the senior leader of the group on that day standing in front of Jesus weeping and crying because he saw that because he a xian minister did not take heed to the scriptures but followed the supernatural multitudes came through his meetings and picked up deceiving spirits and in the very end of time when discernment was absolutely critical it reached out its hand covered their eyes and they ended up taking the mark of the beast and walking out of Jesus Kingdom. It was his fault and he knew it. How absolutely tragic

That seems to apply to articles like this as well.

Lastly the mag has recently undertaken an appeal for funds because of declining revenue. Probably any xian mag sees its focus as being the Lord and ministry its intent to some degree at least. With articles like this it is not difficult for me to understand why their funds are drying up.