

# Letter to the Youth

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## **Dear friends, awake, you are being betrayed!**

You have been told

“Enjoy your sex-life, live out your sexual energies, then you will be happy!”

The Word of God says:

“Blessed are the pure in heart; for they shall see God” (Matthew 5,8).

“Fornicators and adulterers God will judge” (Hebrews 13,4).

You have been told:

“Turn up your amplifiers, make deafening, ear-breaking music, then you will feel good!”

The Word of God says:

“In quietness and trust is your strength...” (Isaiah 30,15).

“Let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts ... as you teach and admonish one another with all wisdom and as you sing psalms, hymns and spiritual songs with gratitude in your hearts to the Lord” (Colossians 3,15 f.).

You have been told:

“Switch off your mind, relax, don’t criticise and don’t think negative! Enlighten your consciousness by meditation, drugs and psycho-technologies!”

The Word of God says:

“The end of all things is at hand; therefore be sober and watch unto prayer” (1 Peter 4,7).

“Be sober, be vigilant; because your adversary the devil walks like a roaring lion, seeking whom he may devour. Resist him, steadfast in the faith!” (1 Peter 5,8 f.).

You have been told:

“Learn occult practices - magic, witchcraft, sorcery - , then you will gain supernatural knowledge and power!”

The Word of God says:

“There shall not be found among you anyone who makes his son or his daughter pass through the fire, or one who practices witchcraft, or a soothsayer, or one who interprets omens, or a sorcerer, or one who conjures spells, or a medium, or a spiritualist, or one who calls up the dead. For all who do these things are an abomination to the Lord” (Deuteronomy 18,10-12).

“But outside (of the heavenly city) are dogs and sorcerers and sexually immoral and murderers and idolaters, and whoever loves and practices a lie.” They have their part “in the lake which burns with fire and brimstone, which is the second death” (Revelation 22,15; 21,8).

You have been told:

“Go there, where great signs and wonders are performed, where miraculous visions and revelations will appear, and where you can experience the extraordinary!”

The Word of God says:

“Beloved, do not believe every spirit, but test the spirits, whether they are of God; because many false prophets have gone out into the world” (1 John 4,1).

“For false christs and false prophets will rise and perform great signs and miracles to deceive, if possible, even the elect” (Matthew 24,24).

You have been told:

“Become all united, for all religions worship the same god!”

God speaks:

“I am the Lord your God ... You shall have no other gods before Me!” (Exodus 20,2 f.).

Jesus Christ, Gods only Son, speaks:

“I am the way, the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through Me” (John 14,6).

You have been told:

“Everybody is a child of God, for in every human being lives the Holy Spirit.”

The Word of God says:

“But as many have received Him (Jesus Christ), to them He gave the right to become children of God, to those who believe in His name, who were born ... of God” (John 1,12 f.).

“And having been perfected, He (Christ) became the author of eternal salvation to all who obey Him” (Hebrew 5,9).

You have been told:

“Do not call anything ‘sin’, but only ‘mistakes’, ‘accidents’, ‘slipping’ and ‘misfortunes’! Good and evil are the same.”

The Word of God says:

“Sin is a disgrace to any people” (Proverbs 14,34).

“Woe to those who call evil good, and good evil, who put darkness for light, and light for darkness; who put bitter for sweet, and sweet for bitter!” (Isaiah 5,20).

You have been told:

“Concentrate your mind on your inner self-being, for in yourself you find the truth, if you meditate long enough!”

The Word of God says:

“Out of the heart proceed evil thoughts, murders, adulteries, fornications, thefts, false witness, and blasphemies. These are the things which make a man ‘unclean’” (Matthew 15,19).

“I know that in me (that is, in my flesh) nothing good dwells” (Romans 7,18).

You have been told:

“Tolerate everybody’s faith, culture and way of life; may each one be happy with his / her own lifestyle!”

The Word of God says:

“Do you not know that the unrighteous will not inherit the kingdom of God? Do not be deceived! Neither fornicators, nor idolaters, nor adulterers, nor homosexuals, nor sodomites, nor thieves, nor covetous, nor drunkards, nor revilers, nor swindlers will inherit the kingdom of God. And such were some of you. But you were washed, but you were sanctified, but you were justified in the name of the Lord Jesus and by the Spirit of our God” (1 Corinthians 6,9-11).

### **Therefore:**

Resist the influence of deceivers in journals, radio, television and internet, who talk about “love”, but mean sexual immorality and guide you into ruin!

Keep on the example of Gods Son Jesus Christ, who is pure and holy and who shows us by His life and His teaching what true love is!

Resist the influence of an unbiblical religious mix-up and ecumenism!

Keep on the fourfold “alone” of the Holy Scripture: Jesus Christ alone, the Bible alone, the grace alone, the faith alone!

Resist an unbiblical addiction to signs and wonders!

Hold on to the greatest wonder: the wounds of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has given His life on the cross for our redemption and who has wonderfully risen from the death on the third day!

Resist a “fun-culture” (even wide-spread in so-called “Christian” circles), which degrades the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ to an object of entertainment and thus blasphemes the Holy God!

Hold on to the true triune God, who is at the same time holy and just, loving and merciful.

Stay out of the mystical fog, which suggests you, that your human heart by nature inhabits a “godly spark”!

Hold on to the fact that the human heart by nature is completely evil and lost, and that it can be redeemed and renewed by the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ alone!

Resist a “music-culture”, which means to win people for the Christian faith by using pagan elements (for example ecstatically rhythms, mantra-like word-repetitions or also extremely slow trance-inducing melodies)!

Hold on to pleasant spiritual songs, flowing out of a quiet and mild heart!

Resist the spirit of the times, which is the spirit of the deceiver in disguise!

Hold on to the Spirit of God, who separates you from this world which will pass away, and who guides you into all truth!

“The Lord is near to all who call upon Him, to all who call upon Him in truth” (Psalm 145,18).

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