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## **Wiccan Magick**

Magick is the power inherent in each of us from the time of the creation of the Universe. This power is so latent that it takes courage to think about it, speak about it and utilize it. Over the years, we have been told that we are just pawns for a higher God who decides what is good for us. There are many among us who have come back from near death experiences and attest to the fact that it is not God who judges us, we judge ourselves.

Magick is - believing that each of us has the ability to change or enhance ourselves or this world that is also ethereal by nature. Magick is - knowing that when we hurt others, we will be hurt sooner or later and that the hurt will be a reaction to our impure thoughts or deeds. Magick is - being aware that we are not human beings with a spirit, but a spirit being with a human body.

There were no organized religions when the world was created. Nature was the only power that the people respected and related to. People only used what they needed and they made sure that they left the earth as abundant as it was when they arrived. Life was simple. Most people invoked the spirits of nature for every occasion, such as births, deaths, weddings or rites of passage. Although most of these cultures believed in one God who was omnipotent and omnipresent, meaning that God was in each one of us as well as everything in the Universe. In most cultures, mysticism prevailed.

The magickal people read meanings into the rustle of leaves, the direction of the wind, the shape of a plant, a picture, the aroma of herbs or the incantation of a spell (mantra).

The Babylonian Magick Text, here is an incantation:

Bright oil, pure oil, shining oil,





the purifying oil of the gods,  
oil which softens the sinews of man.  
With the oil of incantation of Ea,  
With the oil of incantation of Marduk,  
I have made thee drip;  
with the oil of softening which Ea has given for soothing  
I have anointed thee;  
the oil of life I have put on thee.

The practice of Wicca (Witchcraft) was one such ancient practice that was almost decimated by the aggressive onslaught of powerful, evil, organized religions. One of the tactics of organized religions was to hunt and burn so called "pagans" who refused to follow their rules. Spreading fear in the hearts of their ignorant followers by spreading tales about demonic witch spells; they urged crowds to kill anyone who did not profess faith in their God. The leaders of these religions were so ignorant that they weren't aware that if there was a Satan, it existed only in their minds! Only ignorance, fear and greed can spur someone to hunt and burn another spiritual being.

In spite of these terrible tragedies, older ways of life were magickally preserved and even thrived in many countries. The ancient African traditions, the followers of the 5000 year old Hindu religion in India that still espouses non-violent methods of negotiation instead of confrontation, the Native Americans, and many other cultures still thrive on non Judeo-Christian principles. The Wicca, like many of these other cultures is growing in large numbers, especially in the United States which was created to enable freedom of religious thought.

Wiccans can be traced back to their roots in ancient Europe. They celebrate our innate connection to the spirit world so that they can find the power that is latent in us. Followers of the Wicca religion form groups called "Covens" which meet at certain times of the year. Wiccans traditionally celebrate the seasons, phases of the Moon, planets, Sunrise and Sunset along with respecting all things in nature as sacred to their hearts.

Wiccans also create Magick using spells, talismans, amulets, good luck charms for people needing some help in difficult times. Spells are incantations that push forth our energy into the Universe and enable us to realize our dreams or visions. It takes practice and meditation to learn this art of visualizing an event before it happens. Although this is a form of





prayer, it is not one of supplication, but one of guided authority and command.

To make these Magickal times even more powerful, Wiccans set up an altar where they regularly meditate and pray. On the altar, you may find sacred objects such as the Pentagram, Figurines of the Goddess and God, the Athame, the Cup, candles, , herbs and other magickal items. They may wear robes or other costumes for ceremonial occasions such as initiations and dances which are usually performed inside of magickal circles.

Wiccans are also generous enough to train others in the art of magick. Anyone can use Magick if they believe in it and has fine-tuned their mental abilities. Usually people who use magick to better their lives become more adept at it through years of practice.

By learning magick from the Wicca people, we also create our own spells and amulets to help us tide through times when we don't feel so strong. The spells that we create for ourselves are more powerful since they take birth in our innermost self and are directly connected to our true nature. That is the essence of Wicca!

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