THE TOP FIVE REASONS WHY
WE DO NOT CELEBRATE HALLOWEEN

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Central Theme: **We are called to holiness, light, and truth—not to celebrate darkness, evil, or spiritual practices that contradict the Word of God.**



◆ 1. WE ARE CALLED TO SEPARATION, NOT DARKNESS

1 Peter 1:15-16 (KJV) *"But as he which hath called you is holy, so be ye holy in all manner of conversation; Because it is written, Be ye holy, for I am holy."*

- God has called His people to live a life separated unto Him.
- We should be careful about celebrating things that glorify darkness, evil, and spiritual wickedness.
- Our lives should reflect the character, nature, and holiness of Jesus Christ.

Supporting Scriptures: Ephesians 5:11; 1 Thessalonians 5:22.



◆ 2. WE DO NOT GLORIFY DEATH, FEAR, AND EVIL

Philippians 4:8 (KJV) *"Finally, brethren, whatsoever things are true, whatsoever things are honest, whatsoever things are just, whatsoever things are pure, whatsoever things are lovely, whatsoever things are of good report; if there be any virtue, and if there be any praise, think on these things."*

- Halloween commonly emphasizes frightening imagery, death, ghosts, monsters, and evil.
- As believers, we should be intentional about what we celebrate, normalize, and present as entertainment.
- We are called to magnify Jesus Christ, who is the resurrection and the life—not to glorify darkness.

Supporting Scriptures: Romans 12:9; John 11:25.



◆ 3. WE REJECT OCCULT PRACTICES AND SPIRITUAL DARKNESS

Deuteronomy 18:10-12 (KJV) *"There shall not be found among you any one that maketh his son or his daughter to pass through the fire, or that useth divination, or an observer of times, or an enchenter, or a witch."*

- The Bible clearly warns against witchcraft, divination, and seeking supernatural knowledge apart from God.
- We should not treat occult practices as harmless when Scripture warns us to reject them.
- Our spiritual curiosity must be governed by the Word of God, not by the customs of the world.



Supporting Scriptures: Leviticus 19:31; Galatians 5:19–21.



◆ 4. WE ARE CALLED TO RECOGNIZE AND RESIST SPIRITUAL DECEPTION

1 Peter 5:8 (KJV) *"Be sober, be vigilant; because your adversary the devil, as a roaring lion, walketh about, seeking whom he may devour."*

- Not everything presented as entertainment is spiritually beneficial.
- The enemy can use deception to make darkness appear harmless, attractive, or acceptable.
- We must remain spiritually alert, resist the devil, and stand firmly in the truth of God's Word.

Supporting Scriptures: James 4:7; Ephesians 6:11–12.



◆ 5. WE MUST BE SEPARATE FROM THE WORLD AND TEACH OUR CHILDREN TO FOLLOW GOD

2 Corinthians 6:17 (KJV) *"Wherefore come out from among them, and be ye separate, saith the Lord, and touch not the unclean thing; and I will receive you."*

- We are in the world, but we are not called to adopt every worldly custom.
- Our children need to understand that following Jesus sometimes means choosing a different culture around them.
- We want our homes to be places where truth, holiness, righteousness, and the prese celebrated.



Supporting Scriptures: Romans 12:2; Joshua 24:15.

OUR DECLARATION

We do not celebrate Halloween because our commitment is to holiness over darkness, truth over deception, and Jesus Christ over the values of this world. We are not motivated by fear, nor are we trying to condemn people. We are making a decision to honor God, uphold His Word, and teach the next generation to walk in the light of Jesus Christ.

"As for me and my house, we will serve the LORD." — Joshua 24:15 (KJV)