

FEAR OF WITCHCRAFT?

Q: In my family the elder ones believe in supernatural things. For many years they made it clear to everyone in the family that some members practiced witchcraft and had been controlling the family since its beginning. This planted deep seeds of fear in our consciousness. To make matters worse, the self-righteous ones accuse many members of the family of witchcraft.

First of all, is there such a person as a witch, and does evil attack us in our family? Also, did it affect me and my immediate brothers and sisters? And what can I do to help solve the problems of my family?

A: Unfortunately, there is such a person as a witch. In fact, a witch is anyone who tries to control another by overt or hidden means.

Witchcraft is in every country. It is a practice employed by “good” members of a religious community who use force or guile to make others accept their beliefs. Needless to say, it is a spiritual violation.

What gives a witch power? Fear.

A culture that is saturated in a fear of supernatural things produces a people open to the power of witchcraft.

Beyond such a susceptibility, however, there is an inherent psychic power in witchcraft. It can have effects, or force, within the domain of the witch, be it a witch in the family, one next door, or in the neighborhood.

A simple answer, of course, is to leave such surroundings.

However, such an answer is simplistic. That is especially so when a victim has a duty to others in the family and must bear that responsibility. A witch trying to cast spells upon a chela (spiritual student) of the MAHANTA, the Living ECK Master will, in time, come to grief.

The power of witchcraft will gradually die out in a strong community of ECK Initiates.

Love for the MAHANTA is the antidote for fear. This sweet love grows strong through the daily practice of the Spiritual Exercises of ECK.

Whenever you feel yourself under psychic attack by a witch, you can protect yourself. Sing *HU*, the love song to God, in silence, and fix your whole inner attention upon the loving radiance of the MAHANTA. I am always with you.

—Sri Harold Klemp

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