

The Devil's Vision

The devil once said to his demons below,
"Our work is progressing entirely too slow.

The holiness people stand in our way
Since they do not believe in the show or the play.
They teach that the carnival, circus and dance,
The tavern and honky-tonk with game of chance,
Drinking and smoking, these things are all wrong;
The Christians don't mess with the ungodly throng.

They are quick to condemn everything that we do
To cause unbelievers to be not a few.

They claim that these things are all of the devil;
That Christian folks live on a much higher level.
Now fellows, their theology, while perfectly true
Is blocking the work we are trying to do.

We have to get busy and figure a plan
That will change all their standards as fast as we can.

Now I have a vision of what we can do.

Harken, I'll tell this deception to you.

Then find ye a wise, but degenerate man

Whom I now can use to work out this plan.

There's nothing so real as the things that you see;

The eyes and the mind and the heart will agree.

So what can be better than an object to view?

I say, it will work and convince quite a few.

The home is the place for this sinful device;

The people deceived will think it quite nice.

The world will possess it, most Christians can't tell

That it is all of the devil and plotted in hell!

We'll sell them with pictures of the latest news;

While they're still looking, we'll advertise booze.

At first it will shock them; they'll seem in a daze;

But soon they'll be hardened and continue to gaze.

We'll give them some gospel that isn't too strong,
And a few sacred songs to string them along.

They'll take in the ads, with the latest of fashions,
Soon watching the shows that will stir evil passions.

Murder and love-making scenes they'll behold
Until without realizing, their souls will be cold.

The old family altar which once held such charm
Will soon lose its place without much alarm.

Praying in secret will also be lost

As they look at the screen, not counting the cost.

Compromise preachers, who don't take their stand

Will embrace this new vision and think it is grand.

They'll help fool the people and cause them to sin

By seeking this evil and taking it in.

The Influence great and this you can see;

Just look at my fall and you'll have to agree.

It won't take too long, my demons, to tell

That the vision of Satan will populate Hell!

Divorce will increase, sex crimes will abound;
Much innocent blood will be spilled on the ground.

The home will be damned in short order I say

When this vision of mine comes in for to stay.

Get busy, my cohorts, and put this thing out;

We'll see if the church can continue to shout.

The holiness people who stand in our way
Will soon hush their crying against show and play.

We'll cover the earth with this devilish vision.

Then we'll camouflage it all with the name television.

The people will think they are getting a treat

Till the Antichrist comes and takes over his seat.

He'll rule the world while the viewers behold

The face of the beast, to whom they were sold."

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