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Greetings, all you vastly superior and infinitely refined individuals! It's been a long time since I've thus addressed anyone, but the time for such dignification is at hand. **LET SATANISTS** Satanists, outspokenly and decidedly, you deserve a tribute. Never have Satanists been needed as they are now, in a world turned rancid with its false goodness and excess of pity. **NO 9 1982** Around us we see the wretched tastelessness of evangelical bombast. We tactfully proceed amidst wave upon wave of shoddy godmongering. We wonder at the mass mindlessness which allows us to accept and actually encourages the driving none-sense around us. The death agonies of Christendom have produced a stench of unreason. How refreshing it is that there are actually admitted Satanists in the world. How right we are to take the greatest of pride in ourselves, giants looming over swarms of termites. If ever Nietzsche's superman existed, it is in those who have thrown in with the Devil. I have written of means by which we can deal with

religious nuts in the past. That was when it wasn't fashionable to be a religious nut. Now, it seems, there are two basic kinds of people, religiously speaking: those who are and those who aren't. Those who are, are insufferable. The ones who aren't, feel lost and helpless--not because of lack of faith in God, but because of the discouraging task of dealing with mindlessness. I realize what the short-term discomforts we all share can do to our morale. That's why it is more important than ever to be aware of the long-term power we wield. The godly are being given enough rope. The plan is to weed out the unfit by encouragement of mindless Christianity. With or without realizing it, evangelists have been used as bait, so the spineless numbskulls of the world might be contained. Millions of zombies have already taken a highly visible position. When one of them engages you in conversionary tactics, no human consideration need be forthcoming. Anyone who thinks to "save" or "redeem" you from your life of sin as a Satanist is beyond repair where polite enlightenment is concerned. Your would-be saviour or redeemer is no longer graced with animal or tribal awareness which would permit him to survive within any undistorted social contract. He or she is a *thing*, devoid of the beautiful gift of reason or blessing of purpose which nature intended. He or she is a disruptive and vulnerable machine which cares not who or what you really are, but spasmodically spins in erratic arcs, all the while making noises concomitant with its uselessness. If any purpose is served by such creatures, it is only to act as role models--more bait--for new zombies. Satanism is more than a philosophy; it is a lone stand, a symbolic act of defiance against thought suppression. Even those who claim to be liberal, sprinkle their vocabularies with self-consciously acceptable religionisms. They might hate the Moral Majority, detest the sanctimoniousness of Born Aganites, and reject TV preachments. But they still roll their eyes dutifully and say, "We can just thank God that....." Many people would never have employed those little throwaway lines before they got scared of rejection from the zombies! I say to you: Don't be intimidated by zombies or make a single concession to those who are. Don't lace your speech with acceptable tributes to dying gods. Take a stronger and bolder stand than before. You won't blow as many minds by proclaiming yourself a Satanist now, because most minds are long blown. You will annihilate entire psyches and crush vapid identities. You'll short the circuitboards of already obsolete robots. And you'll stand tall and proud and truly heroic to the oppressed who still live, wherever they might be, and who have felt persecution because they still think. And that horrible word, that blasphemous name of SATAN will be recognized as a synonym for freedom.

MESSAGES AND ERUDITION: RZZ940, Thanks for your contribution re humor; it is definitely fun to be a Satanist. In fact, nothing is more magically sound than to be able to see profundity in what others dismiss as funny and vice-versa. It has been said that all jokes are based on distress of some kind. A large part of the fun in being a Satanist is the distress it appears to cause others, and only because of their cherished stupidity. No, I don't like to distress others needlessly, but if my beliefs do, their unease indicates their real vulnerability. EZZ671, No, I don't smoke. I did until age 25, when I realized it was not tough, but weak, and surely there must be some who can spot it as an indication of insecurity. I understand your plight. It's more addictive and harder to kick than any so-called hard drug, because you continue to smoke others' in a "contact high" manner. WZZ599, *Excalibur* used much of *The Satanic Mass* music and DC Comics' new *Night Force* employs stuff from *The Satanic Rituals*. GBZ688, Saw Muller's piece in *Rits*. Have been watching you for awhile. Contact forthcoming shortly. Highgate in pic?

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