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Satanism, Voo Doo and Black Magic

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Once there was a Gedatsu member in San Francisco, who was suddenly overcome with a physical malady that doctors could not identify. That member went to see Bishop Kishida for consultation. Bishop Kishida informed the member that he/she was under a black magic spell put upon the member by an adversary.

Gedatsu is an all-inclusive religion and we welcome all faiths. However, there is a qualification placed on that stipulation. We welcome all religions that emphasize goodness and well-being upon all people. The three I listed above, and there may be others, seek to harm their adversaries and derive gratification by causing grief and pain to others. One characteristic shared by these practitioners is that they come from primitive societies. The spirits they call upon are likewise underdeveloped, and although they have powers to harm, they do not possess the power over superior developed spirits. Simply put, the powers of goodness are stronger than the powers of badness. Bishop Kishida said that although Gedatsu is tolerant of all other religions, for us ***to follow the negative practices is a reversal of the spiritual goals of Shugendo we should be seeking!***

In the case above for the San Francisco member, Bishop Kishida was strong enough to overcome the spell and free the member from the curse. However, the best and safest solution would be for the individual under the curse to free himself/herself. For less developed members such as you or me, the negative forces behind the curse may become enraged and transfer the curse to anyone interfering; whereas, the original victim is already under the curse and has nothing more to lose by praying for the curse to go away.

The lesson here is that family members can pray for each other because they already share the same karma. Praying for members outside your immediate family circle could subject you to the additional risk of transferring the new risks onto yourself.

I have travelled to many places, but have never been to Haiti. I don't know if this is true or not, but I have been told it is very difficult for barbers to make a

living in Haiti, because many people are afraid to leave their hair clippings behind for their possible enemies to use for voo doo doll curses to be placed upon them.