What Does the Bible Say About Acupuncture

Definition: Acupuncture is the practice of ancient Chinese needle stimulation based upon the occultic religion of Taoism.

Founder: Unknown; the traditional Chinese text is The Yellow Emperor's Classic of Internal Medicine. A European term invented by Wellem Ten Rhyne, a Dutch physician who visited Nagasaki, Japan in the 7th century. It is over 4,000 to 5,000 years old from China, Taoism which is very different from Christianity. **Taoists focus on** living a simple and balanced life in harmony with nature. This is one of the most important principles in **Taoism**.

How Does it Claim to Work?: It is believed that disease is caused by disruption to the flow of energy, also known as qui, chi, (the energy force) in the body. It is believed it promotes the natural self-healing process through the stimulation of specific anatomic acupuncture points.

Scientific Evaluation: Disputed, but largely discredited; while Taoism is ignored in scientific studies, these studies have yet to demonstrate acupuncture's effectiveness scientifically. A definitive three-year study released in 1991 concluded acupuncture was nothing more than, at best, a powerful placebo.

Occultic Potential: Taoist practice and philosophy; psychic practitioners; meditative programs and other occultic practices used in conjunction with acupuncture therapy. The Energy Force is commonly termed Spirits, Jinns, or Demons. The spirits Jinns or demons enter into the host channels/meridians that can mentally impair the individual or even cause death.

Tao impersonally guides things on their way. But the Tao itself is not **God**, nor is it a **god**, nor is it worshipped by **Taoists**.

Major Problem(s): Acupuncture works based on psychological, religious, or occultic principles, not scientific ones or its own stated theories.

Biblical/Christian Evaluation: Classical Acupuncture involves the practice of an ancient pagan medicine inseparably tied to Taoism.

Great surges of energy are typically felt by Eastern and Western gurus, who freely confess they are possessed by spirits, demons, or gods.