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“On Magic & Miracles” by Marian A. Jacobs  
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From classic fantasy like “The Lord of the Rings” and “The Chronicles of Narnia” to modern stories like “Harry Potter,” Christians have been debating the issue of fictional magic for decades as the fantasy genre has exploded into one of the most popular book and film genres on the market. Some Christians read and write fantasy as an expression of their God-given creativity while others feel it’s dangerous and ignorant of the growing threat of the occult.

Is there a difference between the “deep magic” of Aslan at the stone table and the spells cast in “Harry Potter?” In this guidebook by B&H Publishing, author Marian A.

Jacobs explores the theology of magic, gleaned contextual clues surrounding supernatural events found in the Bible. **Jacobs points to scriptural principles that can assist readers, movie-lovers, gamers, and parents in discerning how fantasy can both edify and honor God.**

### About Marian A. Jacobs



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**Marian A. Jacobs** is passionate about writing fantasy, science fiction, and Christian story ethics for the edification of the Church and the glory of God. She and her husband have three children. When not writing, Marian spends time serving on her church's worship team, watching movies, listening to audiobooks, and working on her seminary degree.

### **Suggested Interview Themes:**

- Distinguishing magic from miracles in Scripture
- Fantasy literature and Christian engagement
- Practice of parental discernment in media consumption
- Cultural impact of fantasy narratives

### **Suggested Interview Questions:**

- How do you define the difference between magic and miracles within a biblical framework?
- Is magic real? If so, does it pose a genuine threat in leading toward occult practices?
- What criteria do you suggest for discerning appropriate fantasy content for adults, teens, and children alike?
- Can engaging with fantasy literature pose spiritual risks, or can it be edifying for Christians?
- What role does imagination play in the Christian faith, and how can it be nurtured responsibly?
- What historical or cultural factors do you think have contributed to the fear many Christians have toward fantasy literature, especially stories involving magic?

### **Book Details**

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