Why do zombie themes and horror films have space on a Christian website like *K_Line Christian Online*?



The Exorcism of Emily Rose

I love zombie movies. The genre is about good vs. evil. Usually the match is more aptly described as *partly and imperfectly* good vs. *pure* evil. Scott Derrickson, co-writer and director of the popular horror film, *The Exorcism of Emily Rose*, explained how a Christian can be involved in horror movies in a 2005 article in Christianity Today:

> ***Why would a Christian get involved in horror films, of all things?***
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> *Scott Derrickson: In my opinion, the horror genre is a perfect genre for Christians to be involved with. I think the more compelling question is, Why do so many Christians find it odd that a Christian would be working in this genre? To me, this genre deals more overtly with the supernatural than any other genre, it tackles issues of good and evil more than any other genre, it distinguishes and articulates the essence of good and evil better than any other genre, and my feeling is that a lot of Christians are wary of this genre simply because it's unpleasant. The genre is not about making you*

feel good, it is about making you face your fears. And in my experience, that's something that a lot of Christians don't want to do. [1. See the above link for the full article in Christianity Today]