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7/12/2007--I am a fan of the Harry Potter. So, I will be seeing the new movie, Harry Potter and the Order of the Phoenix, and reading the last installment, Harry Potter and the Deathly Hallows. While I did not choose the title Hallowed Secularism to trade on the Potter popularity, there is a relationship between Harry's world and this one. Magic in Harry's world is everywhere, but the Muggles, the everyday people who are not members of the community of magic, cannot see it. That is what most of us are like most of the time. And it is why perhaps the most unbelievable thing Jesus said was that the Kingdom of God is among us. Since in Hallowed Secularism there is no heaven and no after-life and no promise of a Messiah, this world is it. But it is a world of magic all the same.