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THE CHRISTMAS SEASON: A PAGAN HOLIDAY EXPOSED

In our Christian Holy Scriptures, God gave us eight holy days of celebration which we are to honor throughout the year. Christmas is NOT listed as one of God's Holy Days anywhere in His Word. In fact, here is what God Almighty says about religious days made up by the traditions of men, no matter how well meaning that attempt may be:

*"Your new moons and your appointed feasts my soul hateth:
they are a trouble unto me; I am weary to bear them."
(Isaiah 1:14)*

*"I hate, I despise your feast days --- take thou away from me
the noise of thy songs" (Amos 5: 21 - 26)*

Now let's proceed with an in-depth study that will open our eyes as to how this warning of Yahweh God applies to "Christmas", a man made appointed religious feast that is not in the Holy Scriptures, yet held as "holy" by the majority of Christian church goers.

Positional points examined throughout the MAIN STUDY

- 1) *Christmas does not have a Christian origin***
- 2) *God Almighty gave us 8 Holy Days of celebration in the Scriptures and Christmas is not one of them.***
- 3) *December 25th was not the time of Christ's birth anyhow.***
- 4) *The symbols of Christmas are pagan religious items***

- 5) **God Almighty says in His Written Word that He hates man made religious holidays, and commands us to not celebrate them.**
- 6) **Nowhere in the Bible is the "evergreen tree" a sign of Christian life, but it is an ancient heathen idol used in child murder rituals. The olive tree is the national tree of God's covenant people as revealed in Scripture.**
- 7) **The United States Congressional Record testifies to the truth that Christmas is a holiday of pagan origin!**
- 8) **One's misplaced "good intentions" are not an excuse to sin and disobey God.**

The Non-Christian Origins of Christmas

The Encyclopedia Britannica 1949, article "Christmas", says—

"CHRISTMAS (the 'Mass of Christ') --- Clement of Alexandria (about 200 AD) mentions several speculations on the date of Christ's birth, and condemns them as superstitious --- The exact day and year of Christ's birth have never been satisfactorily settled. When the Fathers of the Church in AD 340 decided upon a date to celebrate the event, they wisely chose the day of the Winter Solstice, which was firmly fixed in the minds of the people, and which was their MOST IMPORTANT FESTIVAL." (Meaning that the population had already been celebrating a winter festival that was not Christian, ed.)

The Encyclopedia Americana 1946, article "Christmas" says the same—

"CHRISTMAS, the 'Mass of Christ'--- In the 5th century the Western Church ordered it to be celebrated forever on the day of the old Roman feast of the Birth of Sol (the Sun)---. Among the German and Celtic tribes, the Winter Solstice was considered an important point of the year, and they held their chief festival of Yule to commemorate the return of the burning-wheel (the sun)."

The Catholic Encyclopedia, 1913 Volume III, 1908 by Robert Appleton Company, article on Christmas, clearly defines the origin of the winter holiday date:

"The well-known solar feast, however, of Natalis Invicti, celebrated on 25 December, has a strong claim on the responsibility for our (Catholic) December date. For the history of the solar cult, its position in the Roman Empire, and syncretism with Mithraism, see Cumont's epoch-making "Textes et Monuments" etc., I, ii, 4, 6, p. 355. Mommsen (Corpus Inscriptionum Latinarum, 12, p. 338) has collected the evidence for the feast, which reached its climax of popularity under Aurelian in 274."

[The Roman "Mass" is a ceremonial offering where Christ is supposedly re-sacrificed weekly at church at the bequest of men priests, while the Bible

teaches, "So Christ was once offered to bear the sins of many; and unto them that look for Him shall He appear the second time without sin unto salvation." (Hebrews 9:28) "Christ-Mass" is not Scriptural]

The date December 25th has no Scriptural origin at all but the date was chosen to satisfy the population which was already holding a pagan winter celebration of the winter solstice when the days began to get longer again. It was a superstitious belief in a return of the "sun god" to Earth, and the feast was called Natalis Invicti. The winter Christmas holiday season was invented to pacify pagans in the Roman Empire and it is a combination of heathen customs, symbols, and rites, along with some Christian Bible verses mixed in for good measure. Christmas is actually an adulterated superstitious holiday in a "Christian wrapper"!

So we see that it was not until 340 years *after* the birth of Christ that the holiday "Christmas" was established by the Roman Catholic Church.

U.S. Congressional Record

This web site article is not the first to expose the fraud of Christmas claiming a Christian background. This fact has been noted and well documented by many historical and theological researchers down through the centuries. The worship of the Sun as a god itself, along with pagan celebrations of late December near the time of the winter solstice, predates even the era of ancient Babylon. The Sun god of Babylon was called "Shamash". In Egypt it was "Ra". In Persia it was "Mithra". In Greece it was "Helios". Many of the objects and symbols in honor of these false gods were incorporated into Christmas and Easter when Roman Emperor Constantine (285 AD - 337 AD) "Christianized" the pagan holidays. Let's quote from the records of our own Federal Government Archives, an excerpt from the Congressional Record (with the reference #):

"As Christmas comes down to us today it is a rich heritage of customs, traditions, folklore, and legend, drawn from many lands and people --- The idea of celebrating on or about December 25 was born among ancient people long before the birth of Christ. In Rome, it was the 'dies natalis invicti solis'- the birthday of the unconquered Sun. In the same manner, other customs originally pagan in origin have been assimilated into our Christmas heritage -- the decorative tree, the glowing candles, the story of Santa, stockings by the fireplace, greeting cards, yule logs -- all are now associated with the birthday of Christ." (Congressional Record E13461 December 14, 1971)

For well over a hundred years our nation's capitol did not lead the way for a national Christmas recognition. As the moral decline of America grew so did the "federal sanction" of the pagan Christmas celebration.

From "[A Brief Story of the National Christmas Tree](#)" written by C.L. Arbelbide for The National Park Service, U.S. Dept. of The Interior ----

"In November 1923, First Lady Grace Coolidge gave permission for the District of Columbia Public Schools to erect a Christmas tree on the Ellipse south of the White House. The organizers named the tree the "National

Christmas Tree." That Christmas Eve, at 5 p.m., President Calvin Coolidge walked from the White House to the Ellipse and "pushed the button" to light the cut 48-foot Balsam fir, as 3,000 enthusiastic spectators looked on."

Therefore, it is the United States Code, 5 USC 6103 (and not our Bible) that establishes "Christmas Day" -- December 25-- as a Federal legal public holiday. Washington D.C., the over-bearing home of present out of control federalism, has made a Federal holiday from a celebration *which it's own records* show to be pagan in origin. Such was not the case with original Americanism found in the freedom loving colonies. The colonists were liberty loving Christians who obeyed many of God's laws for a nation. America was blessed for nearly a century and a half because of what those early founders did to secure God's blessings upon this land. For the most part Christmas was banned in the early colonies because it was only kept by disorderly drunken street roaming party goers. Massachusetts itself never proclaimed Christmas a holiday until 1856. Read the colonial law below:

"For preventing disorders, arising in several places within this jurisdiction by reason of some still observing such festivals as were superstitiously kept in other communities, to the great dishonor of God and offense of others: it is therefore ordered by this court and the authority thereof that whosoever shall be found observing any such day as Christmas or the like, either by forbearing of labor, feasting, or any other way, upon any such account as aforesaid, every such person so offending shall pay for every such offense five shilling as a fine to the county."

Above: From the records of the General Court,
Massachusetts Bay Colony
May 11, 1659

Yes, our nation's official historical record proves that not only is Christmas not Christian, it isn't even an early American tradition, but a celebration rooted in the government of pagan ancient Rome.

Scripture records the time of Christ's Birth in the Fall Season.

God's Written Word never specifically tells us the precise date of Christ's birth. If our Heavenly Father wanted us to celebrate the birth of Jesus Christ, there would be a direct Scriptural command to do so --- but there isn't. The reason for this is clear. The Almighty has given us eight national Feast Day Celebrations throughout the year which tell the complete story of His plan of redemption for Adam's family in the Earth. We are to joyously observe these memorial days as a living testimony to what He has done for us -- rescued us from eternal death by paying for our sins in the person of Jesus Christ.

These Holy Days (holidays) as given in the Bible are: 1) Passover 2) Feast of Unleavened 'Bread' 3) Pentecost 4) Feast of Trumpets 5) Day of Atonement 6) Tabernacles 7) Last Great Day. 8) The true Thanksgiving Feast. The slaying of lambs, rams, goats, on these days was *an added temporary law* of altar sacrifice for a period until Messiah would come. (Gal.3:19) The shed animal blood was a vivid reminder of

what our Savior was (then) coming to do on the cross. Since Christ has come the altar sacrifices are stopped, however the eight Holy Feast Days are perpetual memorial days still to be honored today. Accumulatively, they tell of the great plan of Yahweh's salvation for His family of children. By celebrating these Feast Days we actually "live" the Bible story throughout the year. They are beautiful family gatherings of divine love and inspiration. We are likewise commanded TO NOT partake in counterfeit religious holidays that deviate from the special eight Holy Days our Father has given to us. Good intentions do not excuse anyone from practicing heathen worship even if they use the name of Jesus Christ to do it. Yahweh God knows it always leads to idolatry. Our Father says:

"Your new moons and your appointed feasts my soul hateth: they are a trouble unto me; I am weary to bear them. And when ye spread forth your hands, I will hide mine eyes from you: yea, when ye make many prayers, I will not hear:" (Isaiah 1:14,15)

Although we are not told the exact date of Christ's birth (purposely so that we would not make a holiday out of it) the Holy Scriptures do tell us the season in which He was born, and it is not winter. Scriptures show that our Savior was born in the Fall of the year around the harvest time, probably on the Feast of Trumpets or near the Feast of Tabernacles. (Sept. to mid October -- but no later!)

During the time of Christ's birth we know that Rome called for a great tax upon the people. (Luke 2:3); and that Bethlehem was overflowing with travelers (Luke 2:3) -- so many in fact that there was no room for Joseph and Mary at the inn. (Luke 2:3-7) The Roman time of taxation was at harvest time since the people then had money in hand from their produce goods. Herod, the Idumean ruler of Judea, likewise taxed the harvest produce of the fields as this was simply good business timing for the state to collect revenues. (see Josephus Antiquities XV 9,1)

Specific excerpts:

Antiquities of the Jews - Book XVIII

By Josephus, famous Judean Historian.

CHAPTER 1. (Selections):

1. Now CYRENIUS (Quirinius), a Roman senator, and one who had gone through other magistracies, and had passed through them till he had been consul, and one who, on other accounts, was of great dignity, came at this time into Syria, with a few others, being sent by Caesar to be a judge of that nation, and to take an account of their substance. Coponius also, a man of the equestrian order, was sent together with him, to have the supreme power over the Jews. Moreover, CYRENIUS came himself into JUDEA, which was now added to the province of SYRIA, to take an account of their (Judeans) substance, and to dispose of Archelaus's Money; but the Jews (Judeans) although at the beginning they took the report of a TAXATION heinously, yet did they leave off any further opposition to it, by the persuasion of Joazar, who was the son of Beethus, and high priest; so they, being over-persuaded by Joazar's words, gave an account of their estates, without any dispute about it.

CHAPTER 2. (Josephus-Selections):

1. When CYRENIUS had now disposed of Archelaus's Money, and when the TAXINGS were come to a CONCLUSION, which were made in the thirty-seventh year (on the Anniversary) of CAESAR'S VICTORY over MARK ANTHONY at ACTIUM, . . .

Note: By the above two sections of Josephus' works we see that Rome's tax upon Judea was on the anniversary of the battle of Actium. This battle took place in September as recorded in Roman history. "*Anthony was defeated at the battle of Actium in September--31 B.C. by the forces of Octavian and Agrippa.*" -- source: Roman coinage studies & sales from Time Line Originals Company, Roman Imperial Coinage 49-27 BC.;P.O. Box 193, Upminster, England RM 14 3WH. (Plus many other encyclopedia entries place the battle of Actium at Sept.2)

Mary and Joseph, were then, at Bethlehem mentioned in Luke chapter 2, during the taxation period during the Fall Harvest Feasts of Trumpets, Tabernacles, and Last Great Day according to Hebrew law (Ex.23:14-17; Lev.23:34) ALL OF WHICH FEASTS take place in late September through mid October. (Oct.11th, is the end of these Feasts in fact.) The Westminster Dictionary of the Bible, 1944 edition, page 646 lists these Feasts as corresponding to Sept./Oct. of our calendar.

The Bible declares that this was the season of the birth of Jesus Christ:

"And it came to pass in those days, that there went out a decree from Caesar Augustus, that all the world should be taxed. And this taxing was first made when Cyrenius was governor of Syria. And all went to be taxed, every one into his own city. And Joseph also went up from Galilee, out of the city of Nazareth, into Judaea, unto the city of David, which is called Bethlehem; because he was of the house and lineage of David: To be taxed with Mary his espoused wife, being great with child. And so it was, that, while they were there, the days were accomplished that she should be delivered." (Luke 2:1-6)

This time of year (Fall harvest in Jerusalem) is still warm weather (Isaiah 18:4) when the shepherds remained with their flocks in the opened fields, even all night. Such tending of sheep was not done in the winter of December which is especially a cold rainy season in Jerusalem. By then the flocks were taken into shelter. Yet we know that at the time of Christ's birth "*there were in the same country shepherds abiding in the field, keeping watch over their flock by night.*" (Luke 2:8)

Therefore, not only does December 25th fail to describe the day of Christ's birth, it doesn't even match the season from the records given to us in our Christian Scriptures and by history!

Heathen Rites and Symbols of Christmas

YULE AND YULE LOG



From Midwinter Night's Eve: Yule

by Mike Nichols (Source credit -- <http://www.sacred-texts.com/bos/bos022.htm>)

"For modern Witches, Yule (from the Anglo-Saxon 'Yula', meaning 'wheel' of the year) is usually celebrated on the actual Winter Solstice, which may vary by a few days, though it usually occurs on or around December 21st. It is a Lesser Sabbat or Lower Holiday in the modern Pagan calendar, one of the four quarter-days of the year, but a very important one. This year (1988) it occurs on December 21st at 9:28 am CST. Pagan customs are still enthusiastically followed. Once, the Yule log had been the center of the celebration. It was lighted on the eve of the solstice (it should light on the first try) and must be kept burning for twelve hours, for good luck. It should be made of ash. Later, the Yule log was replaced by the Yule tree but, instead of burning it, burning candles were placed on it."

MISTLETOE



(Source credit: <http://www.thewhitegoddess.co.uk/articles/mistletoe.asp?SID=Mythology>)

According to Peter Haining in his book 'Superstitions', *"The mistletoe, was revered by the ancient Greeks as sacred, yet superstition has it that the reason why it is so lucky to be kissed under it is that the plant once offended the old gods, who thereafter condemned it to have to look on while pretty girls were being kissed!"*.

(---the explanatory article continues ---"*Mistletoe and The Druid -- The ancient Druids believed mistletoe to be an indicator of great sacredness. The winter solstice, called 'Alban Arthan' by the Druids, was according to Bardic Tradition, the time when the Chief Druid would cut the sacred mistletoe from the Oak. The mistletoe is cut using a golden*

sickle on the sixth night of the new moon after the winter solstice. A cloth held below the tree by other members of the order to catch the sprigs of mistletoe as they fell, as it was believed that it would have profaned the mistletoe to fall upon the ground. He would then divide the branches into many sprigs and distributed them to the people, who hung them over doorways as protection against thunder, lightning and other evils. The Druids are thought to have believed that the berries of the mistletoe represented the sperm of the gods. When pressed, a semen like substance issues from the white berries. Mistletoe was considered a magickal aphrodisiac. Girls standing under a sprig of mistletoe were asking for a bit more than a kiss, it seems."

NATIVITY FIGURES



"Nativity figures" are pulled out of their closets once each year for use in the religious holiday Christmas, but God's second commandment says, *"Thou shalt not make unto thee ANY GRAVEN (SHAPED) IMAGE ---"* (Exodus 20:4-8) as related to faith and worship. Yahweh knows that it is far too easy for His people to fall into idolatry by thinking that the statue figurines are in themselves somehow "holy" or attached to "spirits". The use of statues in religion always gives way to the people placing more value on the dead carvings themselves than on obeying the living Word of The Almighty. The Bible tells us that this even happened to the tribe of Judah as they fell into image making idolatry: *"And Judah did evil in the sight of Yahweh, and they provoked him to jealousy with their sins which they had committed, above all that their fathers had done. For they also built them high places, and images, and groves, on every high hill, and under every green tree"*. (I Kings 14:22:23)

In his diligently documented book, Babylon Mystery Religion (1966,1981 ISBN# 091693800X), Ralph Woodrow explains, ---

"Instead of this day (Dec. 25) being the time of our Saviour's birth, it was the very day and season on which the pagans for centuries had celebrated the birth of the Sun-god! December 25th was the day of the old Roman feast of the birth of Sol—one of the names of the sun-god. In pagan days, this birth of the sun-god was especially popular among that branch of the "mysteries" known as Mithraism. Concerning this we read: "The largest pagan religious cult which fostered the celebration of December 25 as a holiday throughout the Roman and Greek worlds was the pagan sun worship—Mithraism. This

winter festival was called *THE NATIVITY*—the nativity of the Sun.' And not only was Mithra, the sun-god of Mithraism, said to be born at this time of the year, but Osiris, Horus, Hercules, Bacchus, Adonis, Jupiter, Tammuz, and other sun-gods were also supposedly born at what is today called the 'Christmas' season—the winter solstice! Says a noted writer: 'The winter solstice was the time at which all the sun-gods from Osiris to Jupiter and Mithra had celebrated their birthdays, the celebration being adorned with the pine tree of Adonis, the holly of Saturn, and the mistletoe...tapers represented the kindling of the newborn sun-god's fire.' Now the fact that the various sun-gods that were worshiped in different countries were all believed to have been born at the same season (in the old fables), would seem to indicate that they were but different forms (under different names) of the original son of The Sun-god, Tammuz, of Babylon, the land from which Sun-worship originally spread. In Babylon, the birthday of Tammuz was celebrated at the time of the winter solstice with great feasts, revelry, and drunkenness—the same way many celebrate today! The ancient celebration spread and became so much an established custom that in pagan Rome and Greece, in the days of the Teutonic barbarians, in the remote times of ancient Egyptian civilization, in the infancy of the race, the period of the winter solstice was ever a period of rejoicing and festivity. When this mid-winter festival came to Rome, it was known as the Saturnalia—Saturn being but another name of Nimrod or Tammuz as *The hidden god.*" -- end quote/book excerpt.

The nativity worship of the sun-god Tammuz was performed with carved idol images that were set up in chamber rooms (manger scene sets) and prayed to. These are mentioned by the prophet of God, Ezekiel:

"Then said he unto me, Son of man, hast thou seen what the ancients of the house of Israel do in the dark, every man in the chambers of his imagery? (that is:"inner rooms of carved idols"; see Strong's Heb.Dict.#s 2315,4906; compare Lev.26:1) "for they say, Yahweh seeth us not; Yahweh hath forsaken the earth. He said also unto me, Turn thee yet again, and thou shalt see greater abominations that they do. Then He brought me to the door of the gate of Yahweh's house which was toward the north; and, behold, there sat women weeping for Tammuz." (Ezek.8:12-14)

The figures of the "modern" nativity sets have been given "Christian names" (such as Mary, Joseph, Three Wise men, shepherds, etc) but these are only an evolved corruption of the real representation of Tammuz worship. The Bible in Matthew 2:11-16 has no mention of a "new-born manger scene" nor "three wise men" visiting Mary and Joseph at the time of Christ's birth. The Scriptures explains that wise men came into a house to visit the messiah child Jesus when He was already two years old!

However we find in the ancient Babylonian religion, traditions of beliefs that Baal priests attended the birth of their baby god Tammuz at the time of the winter solstice. It was this heathen figurine Nativity Scene concept which the Roman Catholic Church incorporated into the story of the birth of Jesus at Bethlehem, which we read about in the Scriptures.

What do these clear facts tell us? The use of little statues, the kind used at Christmas season, is a corruption of God's Truth and is a violation of the second commandment warning against religious idol and figure making.

Decorating the Tree



"The Christmas Tree originated in Egypt because it was used in connection with the festival of the goddess Isis"

(From the book: "1001 Christmas Facts and Fancies", A.C. Hottes, page 155)

"Though intimately associated with Christianity, the Christmas tree has a pagan origin. Many pagan cultures cut down evergreen trees in December and moved them into the home or temple to recognize the winter solstice, which occurs sometime between December 20 and 23."

From the Article: "Christmas Tree, O Christmas Tree, Your branches green delight us"
The Canadian Encyclopedia, 2004 Historica Foundation of Canada

Although we could spend much time documenting endless sources testifying to the fact that the evergreen tree in religion predates the Christian era by thousands of years, the important fact to absorb is that its use is always non-Scriptural and always heathen. The truth seeker needs only to go to the local library or do a "web search" to be inundated with historical documentation of the pagan origins of the Christmas tree. The decorated evergreen tree has been everything from fertility phallic symbols, to appeasements of "spirits", to the embodiment of supposed deities. However, the worst of the unimaginable is connected with the memory of the ancient cult of green tree adornment. Untold numbers of innocent children were offered up by child sacrificial rites to these pagan idols under the trees. This angered our God so much that He ordered our faithful ancestors to destroy this form of worship because of its inherent evil:

"Ye shall utterly destroy all the places, wherein the nations which ye shall possess served their gods, upon the high mountains, and upon the hills, and under every green tree: And ye shall overthrow their altars, and break their pillars, and burn their groves

with fire; and ye shall hew down the graven images of their gods, and destroy the names of them out of that place." (Deut.12:2,3)

"But draw near hither, ye sons of the sorceress, the seed of the adulterer and the whore. Against whom do ye sport yourselves? against whom make ye a wide mouth, and draw out the tongue? are ye not children of transgression, a seed of falsehood, enflaming yourselves with idols under every green tree, *slaying the children* in the valleys under the cliffs of the rocks?" (Isaiah 57:3-5)

Yahweh says "Enough of this", and because of the above He then warns those who trust in Him that we are never to learn (partake of) the heathen custom of tree cutting and decorating it with shiny bobbles with the Moloch star on top. The implications and graphic murderous history of this former child abuse perversion is too much for the Holy Spirit within a Christian believer's heart to entertain. Yahweh tells us "STOP":

"**LEARN NOT THE WAY OF THE HEATHEN** --- for one cutteth a tree out of the forest --- they deck it with silver, and with gold, they fasten it with nails and hammers, that it not move --- they are altogether brutish and foolish---" (Jeremiah 10:2-8 KJV. Note: Christmas supporters in the churches have tampered with this verse to change it from "tree decorating" to merely wooden idol use. Newer Bibles purposely obscure the text. In the original Hebrew language this verse is aimed at the tree cult.)

Yahweh says:

"**I HATE, I DESPISE YOUR FEAST DAYS** --- ye have borne the tabernacle of your Moloch and Chiun your images, **THE STAR OF YOUR GOD, WHICH YE HAVE MADE TO YOURSELVES**" (Amos 5:21-26)

Please note that Yahweh God Almighty does not say "Stop killing children, but it's ok to keep on using idols and decorating green trees." He says in effect, as we would read it today, "I totally HATE these memorials of these disgusting brutish people and what they have done --- DO NOT from here on out even think of cutting a tree and decorating it if you are a follower of Me, God Almighty!"

We have a choice. Are we going to cave in to whining family, friends, and church goers who have no convictions, and in fact flee from the truth? Or are we going to thank Yahweh God that He has led a few, by His mercy, to knowledge that enlightens the heart to serve Him with gladness?

Who is Santa Claus?

Since we have now seen that Christmas never did have anything to do with the birth of Jesus in the Scriptures (who was born in the Fall of the year), we may want to discover precisely what god it is that is really being worshiped at Christmas. This brings us to the personality of the Yule Season itself embodied --- Santa Claus. Other than the obvious play on letters involved between S-A-N-T-A and S-A-T-A-N, is there any evidence of

just who this magical gift bearing elf really is? Who does the Bible warn us about that seeks to be like the Most High Yahweh God, but yet is a deceiving counterfeit? Let's examine the wisdom of our Father's Word to solve this puzzle.

Yahweh says -- *"That thou shalt take up this proverb against the king of Babylon, and say, How hath the oppressor ceased! the golden city ceased! --- For thou hast said in thine heart, I will ascend into heaven, I will exalt my throne above the stars of God: I will sit also upon the mount of the congregation, in the sides of the north: I will ascend above the heights of the clouds; I will be like the most High."* (Isaiah 14: verses 4 & 13-14)

This "king of Babylon" wants to be exalted like God and has said that he will ascend and be "in the North"? We are told the fable that Santa "lives at the North Pole" and can "ascend to the heavens" by taking to his sled and flying with "god-like" power. Of course this is all symbolic, but important nevertheless. To be "on top of the world" as we know means to be in charge. From it's perspective of a sphere, if one would be on "top" (to rule, be in charge) of the Earth, it would present a picture of being on "the North" of the world as if sitting on a throne. The Bible says this of Yahweh Almighty:

"It is He that sitteth upon the circle of the earth, and the inhabitants thereof are as grasshoppers; that stretcheth out the heavens as a curtain, and spreadeth them out as a tent to dwell in" (Isaiah 40:22) Other verses that connect Yahweh with the North are Ezk. 1:4; Ex.26:35; Psalm.48:2. Yet today Santa is the person famous for living at the "North Pole" and most people have never known that the Scriptures symbolically place God Almighty there. Santa also cries "Ho, Ho" as does Yahweh (Zech.2:6), and attempts to mimic God with the following verses that speak of Yahweh/Jesus: Has white hair (Rev.1:14); Has a twinkle in his eye (Rev. 1:14, 2:18); Calls all children to him (Matt. 19:14, Luke 18:16); The hour of his coming is a mystery (Luke 12:40; Mark 13:33; Matt.24:36); Tells us to be good for goodness sake (Phil.2:13,14); Gives gifts on the basis of a list (Matt.25:21; Rev. 21:27; 22:14); Asks children to obey parents (Eph. 6:1; Prov. 6:20; Col. 3:20); Can rapidly visit the world's nations in one day(2 Peter 3:8; Isa.47:9) Adding all this up we see that just like the king of Babylon in Isaiah 14:14, so has Santa declared *"I will be like the Most High"*. Does Santa have a Babylonian connection?



SANTA WITH REINDEER: FLYING



Santa carrying tree and gifts
 Photos Credit www.geocities.com/victorianas/santa.html



Nimrod carrying tree (rein)deer.
 photo: [The Two Babylons](#), Hislop

The above right is a picture of an engraving of the Babylonian/Assyrian god "Nimrod" over 4000 years old (source book: "[The Two Babylons](#)" by Alexander Hislop, 1916, England, page 47). This is the original "Santa Claus" complete with long beard, fancy garb, deer, fir tree, and ability of flight (wings). Nimrod was the founder of Babel/Babylon (Gen.10:8-11) and his progeny built the city of Nineveh. As the original founder of Babylon, Nimrod was deified after his death and became the central figure of the Babylonian religion as its "spirit father". Therefore, Nimrod is the symbolic "deity King" of collective Babylonian rule. This civilization spawned the hierarchy of Babylonian priests and system of worship, which system was (and is) a religious government based on totalitarian statism, void of all relationship with Yahweh God of the Bible and "God given rights". Under the system of Nimrod (the first Santa) all privileges (gifts) come from the state with only state sanctioned religion being permitted to amuse the people. Nimrod Babylonianism is the world's largest cult passed down through centuries of history by its adherents.

Today, our children are schooled from young to look to the Nimrod false religious system for their hope, instead of learning about the laws and blessings of Yahweh in His Only Begotten Son, Jesus Christ, the King of Kings. As soon as they are born, Babylon's system deems a child to be called a "BABY" (property of Babylon) and issues the infant a state society number (SS#). Santa (Nimrod) sits on his department store throne while

children are told he is real and that he is the true hope of gifts. The children are trained to climb up to Nimrod and beg for gifts, not knowing this is all a facade, and they are being lied to. Parents who themselves think they have matured to "outgrow a cute childhood phase" little understand that they themselves still beg from Nimrod's dead system --collective antiGod statism controlled by falsehoods on all levels. The religious Christmas Santa is a false hope encouraged by Babylon's society, while the liberty of the Gospel of Christ's Kingdom is suppressed and avoided. Such is the story of Christmas and what its symbols represent. Christmas is not Christian, and never was!

Yes, Santa Claus' portrayal is actually that of Nimrod an ancient enemy of God Almighty and His people. Plus we need to realize that symbolism shows where the heart is. The many pagan origins of Christmas, as set forth in this study, are still being expressed today by the decorations we see on this holiday – all across America and even the world. Now more than ever it is time for true Christians to come out from the entrapments of the ways of the world which cause a separation between themselves and God Almighty.

Yahweh God Almighty beckons us:

"Wherefore come out from among them, and be ye separate, saith Yahweh, and touch not the unclean thing; and I will receive you, And will be a Father unto you, and ye shall be my sons and daughters, saith Yahweh Almighty." (2 Corinthians 6:17,18)

God has great love for His children. It is much better to be a son or daughter of the one true Living God than to be a slave to the world and its many falsehoods. Please pray concerning God's Word and the historical facts of what you have just read. If you are still celebrating the Roman State Christ-Mass ask God for strength to stop and to enter into His blessings. He will not let you down. Praise Jesus Christ our Savior and King.