

# OCCULT ORIGINS of CHRISTMAS – Part One

A few years ago the Lord began to speak to me about Christmas. He started with Santa Clause. When He opened my eyes to Santa, we told Kennedy the truth and we quit having anything to do with Santa. I thought we were all cleaned up where Christmas was concerned. I've been seeing a lot of people fighting about it on Facebook and to me it was still no big deal. A friend of mine, Melissa was telling me what a hard time she is having because her family doesn't understand why she doesn't celebrate the things they do. This got me to thinking about all the fighting and what was the issue. I just thought a bunch of people had a problem with what time of year to celebrate Jesus' birthday. I never really seemed to see much more than that in their arguments. So I was thinking about this when God brought me across the perfect video that spoke right to the subject of Christmas and whether it was even Christian. "youtube - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=y-v6whv3PM> " Shocking but True – Is Christmas Christian. After watching that video I started doing my own research. What I found was really sad. I had never thought much about all the things we do at Christmastime. I loved the lights and sending Christmas cards and sitting colate and looking at the pretty tree. I had no idea where the traditions came from.

## CHRISTMAS

The word "Mass", as used by the Roman Catholics, has traditionally been rejected by the so-called Protestants, such as Lutherans, Baptists, Methodists, Presbyterians, Pentecostals and so on. The word "Mass" is strictly a Catholic word and so is "Christ-Mass." The word "Mass" in religious usage means a "death sacrifice." Millions of people are saying, "Merry Christmas", they are literally saying "Merry death of Christ." There is nothing merry or laughable as Santa does in his ho ho ho'ing saying Merry Christmas. This was such a hard thing our Savior did for us and not to be laughed about as a light thing.

The *New Schaff-Herzog Encyclopedia of Religious Knowledge* explains clearly, in its article on "Christmas": "How much the date of the festival depended upon the pagan Brumalia ((Latin: Brumalia, [bru:'ma:lɪ.a], "winter festivals") was an ancient

Roman, winter solstice festival honouring Saturn/Cronus and Ceres/Demeter, and Bacchus in some cases. )(Dec. 25) following the Saturnalia (Dec. 17-24), and celebrating the shortest day in the year and the 'new sun,' . . . cannot be accurately determined. The pagan Saturnalia and Brumalia *were too deeply entrenched in popular custom to be set aside by Christian influence.* . . . The pagan festival with its riot and merrymaking was so popular that Christians were glad of an excuse to continue its celebration with little change in spirit and in manner. Christian preachers of the West and the Near East protested against the unseemly frivolity with which Christ's birthday was celebrated, while Christians of Mesopotamia *accused their Western brethren of [idolatry](#) and [sun worship](#) for adopting as Christian this pagan festival.*"

But remember, these people had grown up in pagan customs, chief of which was this idolatrous festival of December 25th. It was a festival of merrymaking, with its special spirit. They enjoyed it! They didn't want to give it up! Now this same article in the *New Schaff-Herzog Encyclopedia of Religious Knowledge* explains how the recognition by Constantine of Sunday, which had been the day of pagan sun worship, and how the influence of the pagan Manichaeism, which identified the SON of God with the physical SUN, gave these pagans of the fourth century, now turning over wholesale to "Christianity," their excuse for calling their pagan-festival date of December 25th (birthday of the SUN-god) the birthday of the SON of God.

Christmas developed, one scholar says, as a means of replacing worship of the sun with worship of the Son.

The *Encyclopedia Americana*, 1956 edition, adds, "Christmas...was not observed in the first centuries of the Christian church, since the Christian usage in general was to celebrate the death of remarkable persons rather than their birth...a feast was established in memory of this event [Christ's birth] in the fourth century. In the fifth century the Western Church ordered the feast to be celebrated forever on the day of the Mithraic rites of the birth of the sun and at the close of the Saturnalia, as no certain knowledge of the day of Christ's birth existed."

“In the Roman world, the Saturnalia (December 17) was a time of merrymaking and exchanging of gifts. December 25 was also regarded as the birthdate of the Iranian mystery god Mithra, the Sun of Righteousness. On the Roman New Year (January 1), houses were decorated with greenery and lights, and gifts were given to children and the poor. To these observances were added the German and Celtic Yule rites when the Teutonic tribes penetrated into Gaul, Britain and central Europe. Food and good fellowship, the Yule log and Yule cakes, greenery and fir trees, gifts and greetings all commemorated different aspects of this festive season. Fires and lights, symbols of warmth and lasting life, have always been associated with the winter festival, both pagan and Christian” (*Encyclopedia Britannica*, 15th ed., vol. II, p. 903).

### **WHEN WAS JESUS BORN**

*Adam Clarke Commentary*, volume 5, page 370, New York edition: “It was custom among Jews to send out their sheep to the deserts about the Passover [early spring], and bring them home at the commencement of the first rain.” The first rains began in early-to-mid fall. Continuing with this same quote: “During the time they were out, the shepherds watched them night and day. As...the first rain began early in the month of March-esvan, which answers to part of our October and November [begins sometime in October], we find that the sheep were kept out in the open country during the whole summer. And as these shepherds had not yet brought home their flocks, it is a presumptive argument that October had not yet commenced, and that consequently, our Lord was not born on the 25th of December, when no flocks were out in the fields; nor could he have been born later than September, as the flocks were still in the fields by night. The feeding of the flocks by night in the fields is a chronological fact, which casts considerable light upon this disputed point. See the quotations from the Talmudists in Lightfoot. Biblehub

**Luke 2:8** explains that when Christ was born, “there were in the same country shepherds *abiding in the field*, keeping watch over their flock *by night*.” Note that they were “abiding” in the field. This never happened in December. Both [Ezra](#)

[10:9-13](#) and the [Song of Solomon 2:11](#) show that winter was the rainy season and shepherds could not stay on cold, open fields at night.

## NIMROD

Nimrod, grandson of Ham, son of Noah, was the real founder of the Babylonish system that has gripped the world ever since—the system of organized competition—of man-ruled governments and empires, based upon the competitive and profit-making economic system. Nimrod built the tower of Babel, the original Babylon, ancient Nineveh, many other cities. He organized the world's first *kingdom*. Nimrod comes from the Hebrew verb *marad*, meaning “rebel.” Adding an “n” before the “m” it becomes an infinitive construct, “Nimrod.” (see Kautzsch 1910: 137 2b, also BDB 1962: 597). The meaning then is “The Rebel.” Thus “Nimrod” may not be the character’s name at all. It is more likely a derisive term of a type, a representative, of a system that is epitomized in rebellion against the Creator, the one true God. Rebellion began soon after the Flood as civilizations were restored. At that time this person became very prominent.

Nimrod was mighty in hunting, and that in opposition to YHWH; not ‘before YHWH’ in the sense of according to the will and purpose of YHWH. The name itself, ‘Nimrod’ from *marad*, ‘We will revolt,’ points to some violent resistance to God...Nimrod as a mighty hunter founded a powerful kingdom; and the founding of this kingdom is shown by the verb with consecutive to have been the consequence or result of his strength in hunting, so that hunting was intimately connected with the establishing of the kingdom. Hence, if the expression ‘a mighty hunter’ relates primarily to hunting in the literal sense, we must add to the literal meaning the figurative signification of a ‘hunter of men’ (a trapper of men by stratagem and force); Nimrod the hunter became a tyrant, a powerful hunter of men (Keil and Delitzsch 1975: 165).

“In the face of *YHWH*” can only mean ‘in defiance of *YHWH*’ as Josephus and the Targums understand it (op. cit.: 166).

“In your face”

Often attributed to Nimrod, the Tower of Babel (Gn 11:1-9) was not a Jack and the Beanstalk-type of construction, where people were trying to build a structure to get into heaven. Instead it is best understood as an ancient ziggurat (Assyrian “mountaintop”), as the one pictured at ancient Ur of the Chaldees, Abraham’s hometown (Gn 11:31). A ziggurat was a man-made structure with a temple at its

top, built to worship the host of heaven. (Gen.11:1-9) Sumerians constructed their staged temple – towers or ziggurats as artificial mountains for ship. They had a small shrine on top so the deity would come down and inhabit the temple.

From many ancient writings, considerable is learned of this man, who started the great organized worldly [apostasy](#) from God that has dominated this world until now. Nimrod was so evil, it is said he married his own mother, whose name was Semiramis. After Nimrod's untimely death, his so-called mother-wife, Semiramis, propagated the evil [doctrine](#) of the survival of Nimrod as a spirit being. She claimed a full-grown evergreen tree sprang overnight from a dead tree stump, which symbolized the springing forth unto new life of the dead Nimrod. On each anniversary of his birth, she claimed, Nimrod would visit the evergreen tree and leave gifts upon it. December 25th was the birthday of Nimrod. This is the real origin of the Christmas tree. **\*\* Note: The tower of babel and time of Nimrod was around 2000 BC, Jesus did not come to earth until around 3 AD\*\***

Semiramis told the Babylonians that she had become the goddess of the moon and the sky and that Nimrod was being “reincarnated” in her womb as “Ba’al” the sun-god on December 25th. She told the Babylonians that Nimrod impregnated her with the “rays of the sun” supernaturally and Nimrod “re-incarnated” himself as her new son Tammuz on December 25<sup>th</sup>.

Her new son was named Tammuz according to **Ezekiel 8:14-16** (the Catholics incorporated the 40 days of weeping for tammuz into what is now known as lent. Semiramis decreed that no meat should be eaten during this time. Tammuz was said to be revived in the springing forth of the vegetation in the spring.) or generically he was called “Ba’al” (which means Lord or husband). Each year on Tammuz’s birthday on December 25th, the pagans were ordered by Semiramis to go into the groves (forests) and place a gift on a tree to honor Nimrod who was “cut down” like a tree. They were also ordered to cut down an evergreen tree, take it into their homes and decorate it with silver and gold balls. ((Some say the balls represent sun worship. Some say it has to do with Nimrod’s testicles and fertility.

Trees and branches became symbols of Nimrod because Nimrod was “cut down” by Shem, the son of Noah who placed a bounty hunt on his life. The book of Jasher Chapter 27 tells us that it was Esau (the son of Jacob) who actually killed Nimrod. Hence, a tree stump became a place of honoring him, as the scriptures speak of the

pagans going into the “groves” or the forest and cutting down a tree, decorating it, and propping it up so that it will not totter.” —

...*The Two Babylons, by Alexander Hyslop*

Jer.10:2-4 – Thus saith the LORD, Learn not the way of the heathen, and be not dismayed at the signs of heaven; for the heathen are dismayed at them. For the customs of the people are vain: for one cutteth a tree out of the forest, the work of the hands of the workman, with the axe. They deck it with silver and gold; they fasten it with nails and with hammers, that it move not.

Through her scheming and designing, Semiramis became the Babylonian "Queen of Heaven," and Nimrod, under various names, became the "divine son of heaven."

Jer.7:18-19 – The children gather wood, and the fathers kindle the fire, and the women knead their dough, to make cakes to the **queen of heaven**, and to pour out drink offerings to other gods, that they may provoke Me to anger. Do they provoke Me to anger? Says the LORD: do they not provoke themselves to the confusion of their own faces?

Through the generations, in this idolatrous worship, Nimrod became the false Messiah, son of Baal the Sun-god. In this false *Babylonish* system, the "Mother and Child," (Semiramis and Nimrod reborn), became chief objects of worship. This worship of "Mother and Child" spread over the world. The names varied in different countries and languages. In Egypt, it was Isis and Osiris. In Asia, Cybele and Deoious. In Pagan Rome, Fortuna and Jupiterpuer. Even in Greece, China, Japan, Tibet is to be found the counterpart of the Madonna, *long before the birth of Christ!*

Thus, during the fourth and fifth centuries, when the pagans of the Roman world were "accepting" the new popular "Christianity" by hundreds of thousands, carrying their old pagan customs and beliefs along with them, merely cloaking them with Christian-sounding names, the Madonna and "Mother and Child" idea also became popularized, especially at Christmas time. Every Christmas season you'll hear sung and chanted dozens of times the hymn "Silent Night, Holy Night," with its familiar "Mother and Child" theme.

Plenty of carvings and pictures and statues of semiramis and tammuz and many times he has a round disk or shape around his head indicating sun worship. Nimrod loved masonry and is linked with freemasonry. Statue of Liberty was given to us by the French Illuminati and she is setting facing the east – Ishtar,

Easter. She brings the spirit of Jezebel. And another representation of her is the Columbia Pictures Presents lady. Cybele/Rhea/Semiramis is the “tower bearing goddess” and you will see many pictures of her with a tower type of crown on her head. Kronos is applied to Saturn as the “father of the gods.” Same word that signified a bull signified also a ruler or a prince. Nimrod is usually pictured with wings too, showing his reach or dominion, lordship over his armies. This is mocking God because Psalm 91:4 says: He shall cover you with His feathers, and under His wings shall you trust: His truth shall be your shield and buckler. His son is also known as cupid – winged boy and shows his might like his father as a great hunter by the bow and arrow that he is always depicted with. Semiramis claimed tammuz was the promised seed of God. You had to pray through her to get to tammuz. This is what we see in Catholicism because they pray through Mary. Semiramis proclaimed a ham or pig must be eaten on Ishtar (this made a mockery of the Passover lamb as God’s dietary laws at that time forbid eating pork.) Starbucks maiden is linked to her, when you turn her upside down in an original picture her two fish tails make the horns of the baphomet which is satan.

**Luke 12:47-48** – we are accountable for the knowledge and blessings that God sends our way.