

OCCULT ORIGINS of CHRISTMAS – Part Two

Another website states:

A few years later, Semiramis bore a son, Horus or Gilgamesh. She declared that she had been visited by the spirit of Nimrod, who left her pregnant with the boy. Horus, she maintained, was Nimrod reincarnated. With a father, mother, and son deified, a deceptive, perverted [trinity](#) was formed.

Semiramis and Horus were worshipped as "Madonna and child." As the generations passed, they were worshipped under other names in different countries and languages. Many of these are recognizable: Fortuna and Jupiter in Rome; Aphrodite and Adonis in Greece; and Ashtoreth/Astarte and Molech/Baal in Canaan.

During the time between Babel and [Christ](#), pagans developed the belief that the days grew shorter in early winter because their [sun-god](#) was leaving them. When they saw the length of the day increasing, they celebrated by riotous, unrestrained feasting and orgies. This celebration, known as *Saturnalia*, was named after Saturn, another name for Nimrod.

Gen. 10:8-10 – And Cush begat Nimrod: he began to be a mighty one in the earth. He was a mighty hunter before the LORD: wherefore it is said, even as Nimrod the mighty hunter before the LORD. And the beginning of his kingdom was Babel, and Erech, and Accad, and Calneh, in the land of Shinar. (In regards to hunting: Jer.16:16 – Behold, I wil send for many fishers, saith the LORD and they shall fish them; and after will I send for many hunters, and they shall hunt them from every mountain, and from every hill, and out of the holes of the rocks.) Remember earlier – he was in rebellion to God and in His face. We know from history that Semiramis was his consort.

****Judges 2:13** – And they forsook the LORD, and served baal and ashtaroth**

Baal -1168 the chief Canaanite god. Bel – 1078 (sounds like ball) – of the Babylonians, a Phoenician deity. A master, a husband. Baal can be any deity other than the God of Israel. Baal is the common name given to the Canaanite god of

fertility. **Israelites stopped calling God baal because it was tainted and had become an abomination to Him.**

Tammuz – 8542 – a Syrian god, a Phoenician deity.

Asherah – (Vine’s definition)

Jer. 44:18 – But since we left off to burn incense to the queen of heaven, and to pour out drink offerings unto her, we have wanted all things, and have been consumed by the sword and by the famine. And when we burned incense to the queen of heaven, and poured out drink offerings unto her, did we make her cakes to worship her, and pour out drink offerings unto her, without our men?

God continually revealed Himself to His people. His covenant showed that He was not preoccupied with cultic rites or orgiastic celebrations. He demanded obedience that would enable Abraham and his descendants to walk in His presence and live blameless moral and spiritual lives.

Now we see him and her again in the New Testament Acts 19:34-35 But when they knew that he was a Jew, all with one voice about the space of two hours cried out, Great is Diana of the Ephesians. And when the townclerk had appeased the people, he said, You men of Ephesus, what man is there that doesn’t know how that the city of the Ephesians is a worshipper of the great goddess Diana (Semiramis), and of the image which fell down from Jupiter (Nimrod)? This image sounds like a meteorite type of thing, and reminds me of the muslims black stone that they worship.

CHRISTMAS TREE

Long before the advent of Christianity, plants and trees that remained green all year had a special meaning for people in the winter. Just as people today decorate their homes during the festive season with pine, spruce, and fir trees, ancient peoples hung evergreen boughs over their doors and windows. In many countries it was believed that evergreens would keep away witches, ghosts, evil spirits, and illness.

In the Northern hemisphere, the shortest day and longest night of the year falls on December 21 or December 22 and is called the winter solstice. Many ancient people believed that the sun was a god and that winter came every year because the sun god had become sick and weak. They celebrated the solstice because it meant

that at last the sun god would begin to get well. Evergreen boughs reminded them of all the green plants that would grow again when the sun god was strong and summer would return.

Early Romans marked the solstice with a feast called the Saturnalia in honor of Saturn, the god of agriculture. The Romans knew that the solstice meant that soon farms and orchards would be green and fruitful. To mark the occasion, they decorated their homes and temples with evergreen boughs. In Northern Europe the mysterious Druids, the priests of the ancient Celts, also decorated their temples with evergreen boughs as a symbol of everlasting life. The fierce [Vikings](#) in Scandinavia thought that evergreens were the special plant of the sun god, Balder.

Most 19th-century Americans found Christmas trees an oddity. The first record of one being on display was in the 1830s by the German settlers of [Pennsylvania](#), although trees had been a tradition in many German homes much earlier. The Pennsylvania German settlements had community trees as early as 1747. But, as late as the 1840s Christmas trees were seen as pagan symbols and not accepted by most Americans.

It is not surprising that, like many other festive Christmas customs, the tree was adopted so late in America. To the New England Puritans, Christmas was sacred. The pilgrims' second governor, [William Bradford](#), wrote that he tried hard to stamp out "pagan mockery" of the observance, penalizing any frivolity. The influential [Oliver Cromwell](#) preached against "the heathen traditions" of Christmas carols, decorated trees, and any joyful expression that desecrated "that sacred event." In 1659, the General Court of [Massachusetts](#) enacted a law making any observance of December 25 (other than a church service) a penal offense; people were fined for hanging decorations. That stern solemnity continued until the 19th century, when the influx of German and Irish immigrants undermined the Puritan legacy.

The real origin of Christmas goes back to the ancient Babylon. It is bound up in the organized apostasy with which [Satan](#) has gripped a deceived world these many centuries! In Egypt, it was always believed that the son of Isis (Egyptian name for "Queen of Heaven") was born December 25th. Paganism celebrated this famous birthday over most of the known world for centuries before the birth of Christ.

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"Traditionally, a yule log was burned in the fireplace on Christmas Eve and during the night as the log's embers died, there appeared in the room, as if by magic, a Christmas tree surrounded by gifts. The yule log represented the sun-god Nimrod and the Christmas tree represented himself resurrected as his own son Tammuz."

-- *After Armageddon - Chapter 4 Where do we get our ideas?*
by *John A. Sarkett*

Isaiah 11:1 – And there shall come forth a rod out of the stem (stump) of Jesse, and a Branch shall grow out of his roots:

ORIGIN OF THE MYSTERY RELIGIONS OF BABYLON		
SEMIRAMIS		NIMROD
<i>Queen of Heaven</i>	TAMMUZ	<i>Husband</i>
	<i>Son</i>	

Mother		Son

Isis	Egypt	Osiris
Ishtar	Assyria	Bacchus
Isi	India	Iswara
Cybele	Asia	Deoious
Aphrodite	Greece	Eros
Venus	Rome	Cupid
Rhea	Babylon	Zero-ashta (<i>the seed</i>)
Ashtoreth	Phoenicia	Tammuz
		Ninus (<i>Son/Husband</i>)
		Lamented One (<i>Son</i>)

Other Names For "Nimrod"

ARES
BACCHUS or
DIONYSUS
EROS
Hephaestus
HERMES
PLUTO
(HADES)
POSEIDON
ZEUS
KRONOS
ABIR
SHAMASH



MARS
CUPID
VULCAN
MERCURY
PLUTO
NEPTUNE
JUPITER
SATURN
LUPERCUS
MARDUK
NEBO
CRONUS



ODIN
WODAN,
OSIRIS
TAMMUZ
EL-BAR meaning
"God the Son"
MOLECH
BAAL, BEL
or BELUS --
meaning "Lord"
ATLAS
St. VALENTINE
DAGON --
the fish-god



The Baal Principality has been called god of a thousand faces. Some of his other names are:

Apollo, Zeus, Marduk, Ahura-Mazda, Osiris, Tammuz, Dagon, Prometheus, Jupiter, Nimrod, Mithra, Ra, Lucetius, Dyaus, Dionysus, Hermes, Adonis, Pan, Hades, Eros, Uranus, Gaea, Assur, Merodach, Ninus, Shamas, Zeus-Belus, Bacchus, Shiva, etc. – Bibloscope.com

Common names applied to the pagan goddess Semiramis

<u>Title</u>	<u>Roman</u>	<u>Greek</u>
Goddess of Love	Venus	Aphrodite
Goddess of Hunting & Childbirth	Diana	Artemis
Goddess of Crafts, War & Wisdom	Minerva	Athena
Goddess of Growing Things	Ceres	Demeter
Symbol of the Fertile Earth	Terra	Gaea
Protector of Marriage & Women	Juno	Hera
Goddess of the Hearth	Vesta	Hestia
Wife and Sister of Kronos	Ops	Rhea

How can spending a lot of money on decorations and presents honor God Who never asks us to do these things in His Word and we never saw the disciples doing this. All of the money spent on frivolous things could go to support His Kingdom work and His children around the world who hardly have food and clothes.

In my research I found an article on a school that was going to get rid of the Christmas play and all things to do with it. Then the community came against the school and so they determined that Christmas has no Christian roots and so they allowed it to stay. However, no Bible reading or prayer are allowed.

Deut.4:2 – You shall not add unto the Word which I command you, neither shall you diminish anything from it, that you may keep the commandments of the LORD your God which I command you.

Matt.15:3 But He (Jesus) answered and said unto them, Why do you transgress the commandment of God by your tradition?

You want to stand before God and have His full approval. You don't want any spots, blemishes or wrinkles.

I John 5:21 – Little children, keep yourselves from idols. Amen.

SANTA CLAUSE

Nimrod deified: Ancient Nineveh Artifact



Circa 2000 B.C.

Nimrod resembles the modern day Santa. Holding a reindeer and a tiny Christmas tree with a long beard.

Nicolaitan means "a follower of Nicolas." It comes from two Greek words, *nikos* and *laos*. *Nikos* means "conqueror" or "destroyer," and *laos* means "people." The original Nicolas was a conqueror or destroyer of the people!

Some people believe that the original Nicolas was Nimrod—the original archrebel, who conquered the people and founded a man-made civilization within two centuries after the Flood ([Genesis 10:8-12](#))! While he was alive, Nimrod put himself in the place of [God](#), or as the biblical text puts it, "he was a mighty hunter before the LORD" (verse 9). When he died, his admirers continued to worship him as a divine hero. They called him "Baal," a name found throughout the Old Testament, meaning "master" or "lord."

Nimrod also had other names. One, commonly used throughout Asia Minor, was "Santa" (see *Lempriere's Classical Dictionary*.) "Santa Claus" is but a shortened form of "Santa Nicholas" or "Saint Nicholas." Many unknowingly honor this Nicholas even in our day by observing customs associated with December 25. [Christmas](#) originally was the *Saturnalia* or birthday of Nimrod. Of course, these customs handed down from ancient paganism have been renamed and made to appear innocent and good!

According to *Langer's Encyclopedia of World History*, (article "Santa"), "Santa" was a common name for Nimrod throughout Asia Minor. This was also the same fire god who came down the chimneys of the ancient pagans and the same fire god to whom infants were burned and eaten in human sacrifice among those who were once God's people.

Today Santa Claus comes from "Saint Nicholas." Washington Irving, in 1809, is responsible for remaking the original old, stern bishop of this same name into the new "jolly St. Nick" in his *Knickerbocker History of New York*. (Most of the rest of America's Christmas traditions are even more recent than this.) "Old Nick" has long been recognized as a term for the devil.

In [Revelation 2:6](#) and [15](#), we read about a "doctrine of the Nicolaitanes," which Christ twice tells His Church "[He] hates." Let's analyze the word Nicolaitane. It means "follower of Nicholas." *Nikos* means "conqueror, destroyer." *Laos* means "people." Nicolaitanes, then, are people who follow the conqueror or destroyer—Nimrod. If you have believed that following Christmas is an innocent Christian custom, let this truth sink in!

GOD LEFT SANTA BEHIND

Oh yes HE did!! The other day someone had made a post of many dreams and visions that people are having because we are in the last days. And God said in Joel 2:28-29 that He was going to be giving dreams and visions. These particular dreams and visions were about the rapture.

This lady was describing all that she saw in the rapture. One thing she saw as she was going up, and she doesn't know why, but she said she could see through a building and she saw Santa. She said, I am not "dating" since everyone freaks out if you even act like you might have a clue as to when Jesus is coming back. She said she was in California and she was in shorts but that in California you can wear shorts year round so that means nothing either. She had no clue why she saw

Santa. Well, I do. God spoke to me about Santa about 2 years ago. He caused me to understand that He is not happy or pleased not one bit with Santa Claus. It is no accident that I saw this clip of these rapture dreams and caught this one tidbit of information from this lady's dream either. God was speaking many things to me again about Santa. NONE OF IT IS GOOD.

Yes, I grew up with Santa. I got pictures taken with him and believed in him and he came to our house and all of those typical things that we make up about him. Yes, me and Scott were doing the same stuff with Kennedy. We were having her picture made with him each year, and wrapping presents from him and he was eating cookies she left out and she was feeding his reindeer and the whole spill. Yes, one year we even did the elf on the shelf thing. As a matter of fact I think it was the 2nd year that we were going to do the elf on the shelf that God spoke to me to cut all of that non sense out.

Boy was it hard. I remember having a Christian friend who looked at me like I had 3 heads when I said that we weren't doing the Santa thing anymore. She just said well I want my kids to have a fun childhood. There you have it ladies and gentlemen. Without Santa, Christmas is not fun. That was the basic idea. I guess my friend didn't realize that we were giving presents but we were being honest and saying they came from us. We made sure Kennedy learned that it was about Jesus. We made sure to sing Happy Birthday to Him and to even have a present for Him (talking about what we had done for Him throughout the year). We would ask her over and over, what Christmas was really about. And yet for a while we still felt we were depriving her. There he was in the stores when we went out but we didn't stop to see him. People asked what she wanted from Santa and she just looked at them. We no longer responded to those questions. You feel like your kid is missing out on what all of the other kids are doing. Do you know that the Israelites (God's chosen people) taught their little kids the TORAH – first 5 books of the Bible called instruction by the age of five. Yes, five years old. Do you know that I heard a man on tv say once, that a Jehovah's Witness said that if you give them your children from the age of 5-7 that is long enough to engrain their teaching into them so that they will not depart from it later in life. They will always remain Jehovah's Witness. Children are impressionable; they believe what we tell them. Child like faith...

When God spoke to me He caused me to see that no one has His power. We are portraying Santa to our children as a god. He keeps track of their behavior all year long even though they don't see him – he is there seeing them. He's invisible, just like God. He knows when they have been bad or good, just like God. He can bless them, just like God. He has elves who help make the toys who are never seen, like God's angels who help do His bidding. He has magical reindeer who fly. Santa has special power, he's fat but he can just wiggle his nose and up the chimney he goes. You can write to him and ask for things, like prayers. He even wears red (like the cleansing blood of Jesus) and white (like righteousness and purity and being cleansed – white as snow). He does the same thing that satan wanted to do – to exalt himself above God's throne and take God's attention and power. Who is Christmas about? I'll tell you, satan. He is being honored and exalted through Christmas. Santa has nothing to do with God, and since he is actually honored and accepted by the "world" then isn't he really on the side of satan? Anything that is placed before God is an idol and is against God.

Yes, I know there was a Saint Nicholas who was doing good and a giving man and blessing children. But we do not worship him and now we have learned that santa isn't really even based on him. We cannot let satan exalt his throne to be like God. If you were satan, do you think you could use a fat man in a red suit with toys for little kids to draw attention and worship? You better believe you could and would. Satan doesn't play fair, he uses whatever he can and that includes your kids. For satan has said in his 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 (Who is God). Isaiah 14:13-14

Do you know that when you make up this lie and go along with all of the stuff that the world is happily celebrating right along with you that you are opening doors for satan. He sees that you have no problem pushing Jesus aside and letting him take center stage. He sees you lying to your children and he can come in to them easily and talk to them if he chooses and they will believe it is just part of the lie that you started. They have young minds and you after all are part of the lie and they believe what you tell them. That "elf on the shelf" can start talking if the devil so chooses he can just have a spirit come and talk to them. They will think it is cool and wah la you have just invited an evil spirit right into your child's life. Aw that

stuff can't happen. You are really stretching the truth now. Really, ask my friend, Pastor Tim Thompson about it. He can personally testify about it.

When God brought the Israelites out of Egypt and out of that slavery and bondage they had been in and He was bringing them into the "promised land" He told them not to marry the Canaanites and make no covenant with them because they would turn the Israelites away from serving God. And when the LORD your God shall deliver them before you; you shall strike them, and utterly destroy them; you shall make no covenant with them, nor show mercy to them: Neither shall you make marriages with them; your daughter you shall not give unto his son, nor his daughter shall you take unto your son. For they will turn away your son from following Me, that they may serve other gods: so will the anger of the LORD be fiery against you, and destroy you suddenly. Deuteronomy 7:2-4

The Canaanite people did not serve God, that means they were pagans, which today means "worldly." God did not want "worldly" things mixing with His people. God does not change, He is the same today. Sometimes people try to justify worldly things. You never have to justify anything to anybody. No one will judge you in the end except God. You will be judged by His Word.

Do you know that the Israelites did mix with the Canaanite people and now and then they would try to clean up their act. They would serve God and acknowledge Him but they would not remove the "high places." The pagans would worship on top of hills and high places and burn incense and make sacrifices and even offer their children to their gods and prostitute themselves and they had alters and poles and all sorts of abominable stuff going on. God hated all of these things and the acts that they did. He is a jealous God, meaning He will not share His people with anyone. He created us and He will not have us chasing after false gods and worshipping the devil. If you so choose He of course will let you.

Here are some scriptures to ponder:

Exodus 20:3 You shall have no other gods before Me. (santa is as a god)

Mark 7:8a For laying aside the commandment of God, you hold the tradition of men... (santa and Christmas are a tradition)

Oh Cherie, you are making such a big deal out of nothing. I saw an ornament of Santa kneeling and worshipping baby Jesus. So that makes it all good. Really? So Santa has been around ever since Jesus was born? He never ages or dies just like God. If you are truly honoring God, deep down in your heart what do you really think God thinks of someone who takes the focus off of His Son? Do you really think He's just cool with it because it is just all good clean fun? You can love your kids right to HELL or you can get serious and clean some of this silly stuff out of their lives and show them how to enjoy the blessings of GOD and love them right to HEAVEN!!!! Please, no one is going to hell over this. Well, just think about how come God showed the lady that Santa was left behind in the office building and see what He speaks to you. When kids grow up they do what they have been taught. Break the cycle of lies, and idols and close the doors that are open to satan.

On one website during my research a "pagan – heathen" said it is about time y'all got out of our holiday!!

Christmas is like this: **A beautiful book with glitter and rhinestones on it and wonderful colors on the outside. You never opened it to see what it said. One day you open it and discover it is full of lies, and things that mock God. You kept the book all these years because it is beautiful and you love to look at it. But God knew all along it was an abomination. You cannot take a pagan – heathen thing even though you don't bow down to it and put God's name on it and declare it as something holy. It is a defiled thing and He wants nothing to do with it. We don't get to decide what is holy. God does. He has 7 Holy Feasts Days declared in Leviticus Chapter 23 and Christmas is not one of them, it came from the nations that He commanded the Israelites to have nothing to do with.**

We don't know exactly what the judgment is for participating in this heathen ungodly event. Maybe a loss of rewards. The Bible does talk about the servant who knew better and did it anyway being beaten with many stripes. And the one who didn't know and was doing it (something that didn't please God) being beaten with fewer stripes. (Luke 12:47-48)

Why take a chance? Live as holy as you can and He will help you.