

SHOCKING TRUTH ABOUT CHRISTMAS Pt. 11: GREEN TREES, CHRISTMAS TREES, IDOLATRY, TREE of KNOWLEDGE, TREE of LIFE

***Please play this video – This man shares his testimony of learning the truth about Christmas. STOP**

I want to tell you why I quit celebrating Christmas. Growing up Christmas was my favorite time of the year. I loved everything about it. The decorations, the food, the family, the gifts. It was all so beautiful and exciting for me as a child. My love for Christmas continued into adulthood. Every year I looked forward to setting up the tree, hanging the lights on the house and buying gifts for family and friends. I was so excited about Christmas that I would start decorating at the beginning of November and leaving them up until the end of January. Christmas was my absolute favorite holiday because I thought it was the celebration of Jesus' birth. Then one day someone told me that Christmas was originally a pagan holiday that was adopted by the church hundreds of years after Jesus died. I wanted to find out the truth about Christmas. So I started doing my own research. I was shocked at what I found out. After doing just a little research like looking in an encyclopedia, I quickly found out that nearly everything about Christmas comes from pagan traditions. The tree, the holly, mistletoe, tinsel, lights, gifts, caroling and Santa Clause and many other popular Christmas traditions all find their roots in paganism. I was so disgusted at the pagan origins of some of our traditions that I began to weep and repent from my involvement in those things. I felt so deceived. And what made it worse is that the lies came from people I trusted like my family, friends and pastor. Then I found out that most preachers know the truth about Christmas being a pagan holiday. Yet they keep silent about it. Unlike preachers of the past who were not afraid to stand up for the truth. Listen to what Charles Spurgeon had to say about Christmas in a sermon on December 24, 1871. We have no superstitious regard for times and seasons. Certainly we do not believe in the present ecclesiastical arrangement called Christmas. First, because we do not believe in the mass at all, but abhor it. Whether it be said or sung in latin or in English. Secondly, because we find no scriptural warrant whatsoever for observing any day as the birthday of our Savior. And consequently its observance

is superstition, it is not of Divine authority. Now every December Christian parents lie to their children about Christmas, telling them that Jesus was born on December 25th and that Santa Clause brings them gifts. These lies are reinforced by the church. So it is no wonder that they are turning away from God as they grow up. They realize that Santa Clause and the Easter Bunny are lies and they naturally question what they were told about Jesus as well since He has been so closely associated with those other fictional and mythical characters. God seeks worshipers who will worship Him in spirit and in truth. And we know that Christmas is a lie so how can we continue to worship God in this way? I made the decision to stop celebrating Christmas because I love Jesus. And I hope that my testimony has encouraged you to do your own research about the pagan origins of Christmas. *(about 3 min's)

Video: Why I quit celebrating Christmas

It is my hope that everyone listening to this sermon series will be moved by The Holy Spirit just as I was, just as this man was and ask forgiveness and repent of this great sin against God. Get it out of your life and I pray that you can now share the truth easier with your friends and family as I have been doing a deep dive to show you where Christmas came from and the real meaning of it all.

Over the past few weeks we've learned how deeply rooted in paganism greenery and green trees are. They believed the spirits of their gods resided in the trees and these false gods and fallen angels had sacred trees associated with them. Not only were these false sun gods worshipped at winter solstice but their sacred trees were venerated as well. Over and over again we heard how all the greenery, and evergreen trees symbolized the cyclical nature of life, death and rebirth. Nimrod, also known as Osiris, was murdered, and then Semiramis his mother and wife, who is also known as Asherah or Isis, brought him back to life with her black magic. His sacred tree was symbolic of resurrection and eternal life to his worshipers. Remember this is Satan's system of worship, as Christians we don't believe any of that non-sense and we know the Bible says it is appointed to man once to die and then come judgement. **(Hebrews 9:27)**

PAGAN TREES of KNOWLEDGE



The Germanic people or Norse people revered Odin's tree. Odin's tree is described as an enormous evergreen ash tree that connects the nine realms, supporting all of creation and symbolizing the cosmos's eternal cycle of life, growth, and rebirth. Despite ash trees normally not being evergreen in our world. It's often called the World Tree or Tree of Life, a central, sacred, and ever-green part of Norse mythology, where the gods hold court.



It is said that Odin sacrificed himself by hanging from the tree for 9 days to gain wisdom from the tree. It was not a permanent death. He had to torment himself to prove himself worthy of the knowledge.



There are versions that say he was pierced with his own sword. I am going to revisit him sacrificing himself on this tree later in this series.



Let's talk about the Bodhi Tree, or "Tree of Awakening." It is a sacred fig tree where Siddhartha Guatama attained enlightenment and became the Buddha in Bodh Gaya, India, symbolizing spiritual awakening and wisdom, with its distinctive heart-shaped leaves; its descendants are revered and planted at temples, representing a living link to that transformative moment, even though the original tree has been replaced over time.



Buddha supposedly had visions and gained knowledge while he meditated under the bodhi tree in India. The tree became a sacred tree and symbolized enlightenment and inner peace. That's new age terminology.



Here is a bodhi tree where people go to worship tying fabric and ribbons to the tree. When they tie ribbons and fabric to these trees it is an act of faith, a type of prayer or wish hoping for blessings and a better life.



This is on display at the Metropolitan Museum of art. Buddha is seated under the bodhi tree meditating. Buddha lived between the 6th and 4th century b.c. So again, this prompted more ancient tree worship.

So you can see the pagans had their sacred trees they believed they could gain knowledge and blessings from.

PAGAN TREES of LIFE



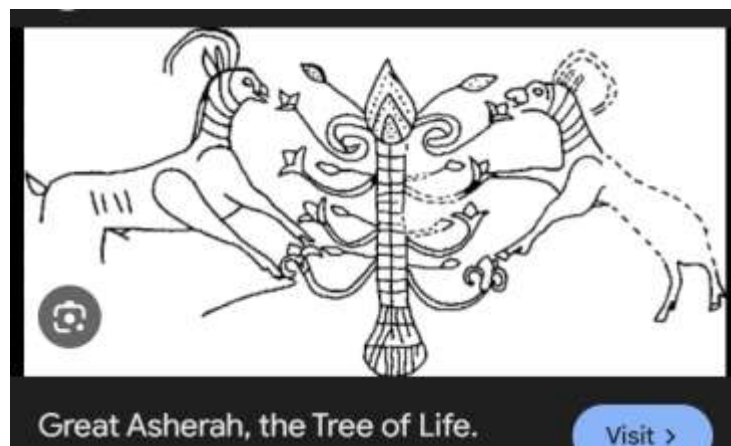
The ancient Assyrians used a stylized “tree of life” as a central religious symbol in their worship of Ashur. Ashur is linked to Nimrod. Assyria is called the Land of Nimrod. **(Micah 5:6)** This symbol, often depicted on palace reliefs, represented divine order, immortality, and the cosmic connection between the earthly and divine realms. It was a major motif in their art, often shown being tended by the king or supernatural beings, suggesting a sacred ritual was performed in its presence.



The sun gods of the winter solstice were not the only ones with sacred trees. Asherah / Isis in Egypt, was the goddess of the tree and had sacred trees as well. This is another depiction of the Egyptian tree goddess giving nourishment, a stream of water from the sacred tree. They believed through worship of her and her trees that they would receive blessing and nourishment in this life and the afterlife. Her sacred tree was considered a tree of life. Her trees were called Asherah trees – the green trees mentioned in Scripture.

2 Kings 21:7 - And he set a graven image of the grove that he had made in the house, of which the LORD said to David, and to Solomon his son, In this house, and in Jerusalem, which I have chosen out of all tribes of Israel, will I put My name for ever:

Wicked king Manasseh set up a carved asherah pole right in God's temple. She was worshiped through asherah poles with her image carved into them, asherah trees and asherah poles that were the male body part. Asherah trees, Nimrod trees, Osiris trees are the modern day Christmas tree. God has always warned His children to have nothing to do with idolatry and these trees are part of idolatrous worship of false gods and goddesses.



Great Asherah, the “tree of life.” This is a stylized asherah tree. She is a fertility goddess and this tree represents her symbolically nurturing all of creation. She was the mother goddess or queen of heaven in the Canaanite religion which the Israelites practiced. She is written about in our Bibles under here title “queen of heaven” and “mother of harlots” and often just called grove or groves in the KJV.



The tree of life, Asherah, and her snakes. Asherah with the serpent symbol on the left and baal with horns on his head on the right. Remember Asherah is Semiramis from Babylon and Baal is Nimrod. They are Osiris and Isis in Egypt and the baby they had is Tammuz in Babylon, called Horus in Egypt.



Sargon I standing in front of the Mesopotamian tree of life. Sargon is linked to Nimrod. Mesopotamia is the area where Nimrod built his empire. Ancient green tree or tree of life worship stemmed from here and went round the world into the nations where Nimrod was called by various names and titles.



Osiris with his sacred tree. Each one of these things show that this is Osiris. His sacred tree, the eye, the ankh, the throne and Osiris himself. The hi-level freemasons say that osiris is lucifer, seems to fit to me because I would call that the eye of lucifer.

TREES in the GARDEN of EDEN

I hope with all of this talk about trees of life and getting knowledge from trees that you know God's Word and The Holy Spirit has been causing you to think back to the Garden of Eden.

This idea of worshiping trees came from somewhere. Let's go back to the beginning:

Genesis 2:9,15-17 - And out of the ground made the LORD God to grow every tree that is pleasant to the sight, and good for food; the tree of life also in the midst of the garden, and the tree of knowledge of good and evil. V. 15 And the LORD God took the man, and put him into the garden of Eden to dress it and to keep it. And the LORD God commanded the man, saying, Of every tree of the garden thou mayest freely eat: But of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil, thou shalt not eat of it: for in the day that thou eatest thereof thou shalt surely die.



Now we know that satan used the serpent to speak to Eve and cause her to doubt God's Word. He tempted Eve by saying that God just didn't want her and Adam to know the things that God knew. He got in her head and convinced her that she wouldn't really die but instead that she and Adam would be like God.

Genesis 3:6-7 - And when the woman saw that the tree *was* good for food, and that it *was* pleasant to the eyes, and a tree to be desired to make *one* wise, she took of the fruit thereof, and did eat, and gave also unto her husband with her; and he did eat. And the eyes of them both were opened, and they knew that

they *were* naked; and they sewed fig leaves together, and made themselves aprons.

Eve wanted that knowledge and she certainly didn't have to twist Adam's arm either.

There were two special trees in the Garden of Eden. The tree of life and the tree of the knowledge of good and evil. So this idea of getting knowledge from a tree isn't crazy. That's what happened to Adam and Eve when they disobeyed God. They immediately knew they were naked and they knew they had sinned because they hid from God. Satan copied God and came up with his own system of worship and incorporated sacred trees into it. If anybody today gets any knowledge from a tree it will be demonically acquired. When you worship trees or look to a spiritual source other than the Trinity for knowledge you are in sin against God and if you get knowledge it won't be by God's hand.



When they sinned by choosing to listen to Satan instead of God, God kicked them out of the garden and placed cherubim and a flaming sword there to guard the tree of life so that no one would eat from it and then live forever in a fallen state.

(Genesis Ch. 3)

Satan always has a counterfeit to the things of God. There is a real tree of life that as God's children we are looking forward to the time when we will be able to partake of that tree which represents eternal life, the restoration of what God intended for us all along.

Rev.22:1-4, 14-15 - And he shewed me a pure river of water of life, clear as crystal, proceeding out of the throne of God and of the Lamb. In the midst of the street of it, and on either side of the river, *was there* the tree of life, which bare twelve *manner of* fruits, *and* yielded her fruit every month: and the leaves of the tree *were* for the healing of the nations. And there shall be no more curse: but the throne of God and of the Lamb shall be in it; and His servants shall serve Him: And they shall see His face; and His name *shall be* in their foreheads. V. 14

Blessed *are* they that do His commandments, that they may have right to the tree of life, and may enter in through the gates into the city. For without *are* dogs, and sorcerers, and whoremongers, and murderers, and idolaters, and whosoever loveth and maketh a lie.

The ancient Babylonians, Egyptians, Assyrians, Sumerians, Mesopotamians etc. knew about the trees in the Garden of Eden. What happened to Adam and Eve was no secret. Ancient people would have heard their story and knew that there was a beautiful garden that they were kicked out of because they sinned against God. They would have heard about why they were kicked out. They ate from the tree of knowledge of good and evil which God told them not to do. **(Genesis 2:17)**

The pagans worshipped trees believing they represent eternal life. They worshipped them as deities and symbols of their deities. They believed through their worship their prayers and wishes would be answered and that they would be blessed in the afterlife too. Satan knows the real tree of life or that is of eternal life still exists. He has deceived the nations into bowing down to actual trees that have no bearing or impact on eternal life for anyone.

CLOSING

Ever since the fall of Adam and Eve in The Garden of Eden, pagan religions have always had trees and snakes woven into their practices and worship. One of the symbols of the sun god is a serpent and that is because of what Satan did in The Garden, a badge of honor for him but a shame and disgrace for the snake. You will find what is referred to as a tree of life in Freemasonry, in Kabala, in the mystery religions, in paganism.

Adam and Eve did not worship the trees in the garden. There was only one tree of life and there is only one God associated with that tree of life. The only way you

are going to get to partake of that tree, is Jesus. He is the Way, the Truth and the Life. **(John 14:6)**

PRAYER

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