CHRISTMAS TREES..CEDARS OF LEBANON (Isa. 14:8,12-13)

In ancient times there were tree worshipers, very similar to what we call today "tree huggers", so-called environmentalists who worship "mother nature", the created, instead of the "creator". These heathens believed that special powers could be received from trees. Even so-called smart men like Aristotle and Plutarch honestly believed that trees could "reason" and had the ability of "thought" and "passion". One can see how people who were foolish enough to believe these things, could then be easily lead to believe that there was a connection between the "life of man" and the "life of the tree". Therefore, if the tree suffered, man would suffer, and vice versa. In order to give reverence to their god of the tree, they would decorate them for the winter solstice festival and worship them.



The Bible explains in many verses, especially in Jeremiah, about various trees and groves of trees being worshipped, honored, just like Christmas trees. I suggest to anyone reading this, that they consider these verses when-ever people refer to Christmas or Christmas trees. All these verses make it abundantly clear born again people have no part what-so-ever in honoring or associating in any way with the OCCULT holidays of the devil. Anyone participating in any way is blaspheming the Holy one of Israel. The following are a few examples:

Jer. 10:1-4 Hear the word ADONAI speaks to you, house of Isra'el! 2 Here is what ADONAI says: "Don't learn the way of the Goyim (heathens), don't be frightened by astrological signs, even if the Goyim (heathens) are afraid of them; 3 for the customs of the peoples are nothing. They cut down a tree in the forest; a craftsman works it with his axe; 4 they deck it with silver and gold. They fix it with hammer and nails, so that it won't move".

Deut. 12:2 "You shall utterly destroy all the places where the nations whom you shall dispossess serve their gods, on the high mountains and on the hills and **under every green tree**.

1Kgs. 14:23 For they also built for themselves high places and sacred pillars and Asherim on every high hill and **beneath every luxuriant tree**."

2Kgs. 16:4 He sacrificed and burned incense on the high places and on the hills and **under every green tree**. **2Kgs. 17:10** They set for themselves sacred pillars and Asherim on every high hill and **under every green tree**."

2Chr. 28:4 He sacrificed and burned incense on the high places, on the hills and **under every green tree**.

Yirmeyahuw (Jeremiah) 10:1-2 Hear you the word which YaHuWaH speaks unto you, O house of Yisrael: Thus says YaHuWaH, Learn not the way of the heathen.....for the customs of the people are vain....



Isa. 57:5a Who inflame yourselves among the oaks, Under every luxuriant tree,

Jer. 2:20 "For long ago I broke your yoke And tore off your bonds; But you said, 'I will not serve!' For on every high hill And **under every green tree** You have lain down as a harlot.

Jer. 3:6 Then Adonai said to me in the days of Josiah the king, "Have you seen what faithless Israel did? She went up on every high hill and **under every green tree**, and she was a harlot there.

Jer. 3:13 'Only acknowledge your iniquity, That you have transgressed against Yahveh your Elohim And have scattered your favors to the strangers **under every green tree**, And you have not obeyed My voice,' declares Yahveh.

Ezek. 6:13 "Then you will know that I am Yahveh, when their slain are among their idols around their altars, on every high hill, on all the tops of the mountains, **under every green tree** and under every leafy oak — the places where they offered soothing aroma to all their idols.

2Kgs. 17:16 "And they left all the commandments of Elohim their YHVH, and made them molten images, even two calves, and **made a grove**, and worshipped all the host of heaven, and served Baal." These strange tree worshipers sometimes used to take and remove all the limbs off trees and honored them like obelisks for the worship of the Baal god, this is what the word "grove" referred to here, means.



These tree worshipers were all over the world, including North America, where we know of Indian tribes worshipping "Totem poles" because they believed the poles had spirits in them. These tree worshipers carved symbols of eagles, snakes, ravens, frogs, and even men into their totem poles, and gave reverence to them. Many of these poles even have wings added to them. Some of this heathen worship still goes on today. Many Indian reserves, towns, cities, museums etc., display these heathen objects and give reverence to them, without even knowing they are blaspheming YHVH. These cursed objects are nothing more than a form of "obelisk" (erect penis) pointing to the sky in honor of Baal.

If you have ever tried to explain to proclaimed christians about the Christmas tree you will normally hear them say that they don't worship or bow down to the tree. This indeed sounds great, but realistically how do they get their presents from under the tree Christmas eve or Christmas morning? Do they not get down on their knees and bow before the obelisk, knowingly or not (Jer. 2:27). Ignorance of the law is no excuse, ask any policeman when he pulls you over for speeding after you explain to him that you didn't know what the speed limit was in the speed zone you were in. Ignorance of Yah's torah (Law/instructions) is no excuse for celebrating pagan holidays. You will get a speeding ticket, ignorant or not! That speeding ticket in the spiritual side of things comes in the form of a curse. Yah told us clearly in His Word that He will curse us or bless us. Our actions determine whether we are cursed or blessed. You do the math.

The Oak Christmas tree was first used as a Pagan custom 2000 years before Messiah was born. The tree symbolized the renewal of the human spirit. The Bible warned us of such heathen festivals. **Jer. 10:1-4** "Hear the word which Elohim speaks to you, O house of Israel. Thus says Elohim, **Do not learn the way of the nations**, And do not be terrified by the signs of the heavens Although the nations are terrified by them; **For the customs of the peoples are delusion**;



The erect penis, christmas tree, is also symbolic of the Caduceus (wand of Hermes), or staff of Aesculapius and Asclepius, the symbol used for medical practices used around the world. This logo can be seen with either one or two snakes wrapped around a pole. It is often used as a symbol of the hippocratic oath.

Isa. 14:8 "Even the cypress trees rejoice over you, and the **cedars** of Lebanon, saying, 'Since you were laid low, **no tree cutter comes up against us.**' Here we see evergreen trees talked about. These are the trees cut down at Christmas, used to celebrate the pagan holiday. Even creation itself cries out. **Rom. 8:22-23** We know that until now, **the whole creation has been groaning** as with the pains of childbirth; and not only it, but we ourselves, who have the

firstfruits of the Spirit, groan inwardly as we continue waiting eagerly to be made sons — that is, to have our whole bodies redeemed and set free." Even the trees on earth will rejoice because no one comes to cut them down for the sake of idol worship. When we abuse nature, nature mourns, His whole creation groans.

Isa. 14:12-13 (see also Rom. 8:22-23) "How you have fallen from heaven, O star of the morning, son of the dawn! You have been cut down to the earth, You who have weakened the nations!" "But you said in your heart, I will ascend to heaven; I will raise my throne above the stars of God, And I will sit on the mount of assembly In the recesses of the north.

In this verse Satan is called the "star of morning" for some strange reason. Many consider it to also be referring to the king of Babylon but it is actually a prophesy about Satan. The word translated "mount" is actually "moedim" in Hebrew, which means "seasons". Yah told us to celebrate His Feasts according to the "moedim", seasons of the year, as listed clearly in Lev. 23. Satan's goal has always been to be the center of worship. If he can get ignorant people (especially those who claim to be believers in the bible), to follow all the pagan holidays like they do, he accomplishes his goal. He is the one they are worshipping and giving reverence to when then celebrate these heathen holy days, whether they understand it or not. Those who know better and still celebrate occult holidays are indeed pagans, there is no easy way to say it. Satan has and still does deceive the nations into celebrating pagan holy days, under the guise of what many call christianity. Most christians, because they are too lazy to read their bible, go along with these heathen celebrations even though in their heart and spirit they know better. In this day of increased knowledge there is no excuse whatsoever for any person claiming to love the Holy One of Israel to participate in such abominations.

A Roman Catholic priest known as St. Bonafiss supposedly gets the credit for the first "Pagan Christian Christmas tree". This pagan tradition took place around 700 AD; he chopped down an oak tree (terebinth, Hosea 4:13), being used by many heathens in worship. After he chopped it down, on the following day, a small young fir tree supposedly appeared in its place. He proclaimed: "the fir tree would from then on be the tree of Christmas, not the oak tree". He said not a drop of blood will be shed tonight for this is the birth night of our Jesus. This tiny tree shall be the home tree, it is the wood of peace, it is the symbol of endless life, for its branches are ever green".

Another fable told of the Christmas tree, said that an evergreen tree sprang out from a dead stump, symbolizing Nimrod had come to life as his reincarnated son Tammuz.

The Egyptians used a palm tree, and decorated it during the heathen feast of Saturnalia.

The Scandinavian god Odin was believed to bestow special gifts at yuletide to those who approached his sacred fir tree.

On Christmas day 1923 President Kalvin Coolidge presented the first electrically lit Christmas tree at the Whitehouse.

ORNAMENTAL BALLS ON CHRISTMAS TREES...CHRISTMAS HAM

Balls on christmas trees also represent the testicles (fertility) of Rah and Tammuz being hung on their penis (the tree). Because Tammuz was supposedly killed by a boar, they took testicles from boars and dipped them in gold to hang them on a tree. Many people and churches have ham on Easter SUNday and Christmas because of that pagan belief.

These pagan people associated an oak tree with the celebration of their sun god. They created a ritual of decorating the oak tree with balls representing the sun god. They hung balls and ornaments, around their homes in honor of the Baal sun god. These ornaments represented the bright sun god. Today people put ornaments on their pagan Christmas trees and hang lights all over their house in celebration and honor of the heathen god of the sun, without even knowing it. They actually believe they are celebrating Messiah's birth.

Hosea 4:6 "My people are destroyed for lack of knowledge. Because you have rejected knowledge, I also will reject you from being My priest. Since you have forgotten the law of your YHVH, I also will forget your children." Because it is wood cut from the forest, The work of the hands of a craftsmen with a cutting tool. "They decorate {it} with silver and with gold; They fasten it with nails and with hammers So that it will not totter." Does this remind you of Christmas trees?

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