"The Way Of The Heathen"

"HEAR YE THE WORD which the LORD speaketh unto you, O house of Israel: Thus said 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 SIL-VER AND GOLD; THEY FASTEN IT WITH NAILS AND WITH HAMMERS. THAT IT MOVE NOT." You'll find those words in Jer. 10:1-4. What is the old weeping prophet describing here? - You guessed it right - the Xmas tree. The Jews were in Babylonian captivity during this time. The heathen had an originated a celebration which is the modern day Xmas celebration.

You say you are celebrating the Birthday of Christ. When was Christ born? The 25th of ecember you answer. Where in the Bible is it recorded that Christ was born on the 25th of December? It is not. The Lord kept the date of His birth a secret from the world. Let me ask you further; do you have a commandment to celebrate the birthday of Christ? No. you do not. So what you are doing is going along with the way of the heathen. Have you ever given the Lord Jesus a birthday present? No, you haven't. Would you like for someone to celebrate your birthday and give the gifts to some others? I wouldn't.

It was the way of the Babylonian heathen to put on a celebration about the end of the year, around the 25th of December. They called it Yule

One of the true marks of a bornagain believer is OBE-DIENCE to the Word of God. Are you one that will obey the Word of the Lord, or do you belong to the group of rebels that will go down to the Pit?

"My dearly beloved, flee from idolatry." What does this mean? Why does God say Littlechildren, keep yourselves from idols." Webster says, Idolatry is 'excessive love or veneration for anything." God is a jealous God and will not share the love of His people with any fool Holidays such as Christmas, Easter, Good Friday, Lent, Valentines Day, Halloween and others are pagan, worldly and idolatrous and if we observe or take any part in these holidays, we are guilty of idolatry. If you don't believe this, go to your encyclopedia and read there, when they were started, who started them and for what purpose they were and are used. Then isk yourself, can I as a Christian have anything to do with them?

You will go to the encyclopedia and read and believe what it says about other matters but you will not believe what it says about these idolatrous holidays because you have to have something material to worship when you do not know the Lord Jesus Christ as your Lord and your Saviour. The Lord said, "He that is of God heareth God's words: ye therefore hear them not, because ye are not of God." (Jn. 8:47) It's just this simple, you are either hearing



Little, if I don't join in and

celebrate they will make fun

of me and call me a 'scrooge'

and say I'm peculiar." Let

them say that, they make fun

of me like that, I just go on

thanking the Lord for saving

me and thanking Him for

drawing me out of all this

The greatest thing in all this

world is just to know the Lord

Jesus Christ. "Love not the

world, neither the things that

are in the world. If any man

love the world, the love of the

Father is not in him. For all

that is in the world, the lust of

the flesh, and the lust of the

eyes, and the pride of life, is

not of the Father, but is of the

world. And the world passeth

away, and the lust thereof: but

he that doeth the will of God

abideth forever. I Jn. 2:15-17.

I'd rather be in Christ than

have all this world and ten

thousand more like it. There is

safety and joy everlasting in

Christ. Do you know Christ?

The one eternal question you

had better settle before you

leave this world is; "Do I

know Christ?" Now you think

on these truths I'm giving you.

You are eternity bound, and

one day you are going to have

to give an account of your life

down here. Yes you will, you

are going to give account.

Where are you going? I'm

glad I have safe conduct to

heaven. One day I'm going

home. No more sin, no more

sorrows, no more heart aches,

but to be with Christ, the One

for me. Did He die for you?

who died for me, Christ died

idolatry.

Lord, or you are going the way

of the heathen. Each year a list is kept, you try to send everyone a gift in proportion to what you think vou will get from them. Some

of you are still in debt from things you bought last year. You will take money you need to spend on clothes and food for your family to whoop up a great time, claiming you are celebrating the birth of Christ. What a tragedy!

Some of you here told me several years ago that you saw the truth about this idolatrous holiday. But it can be said of you as it is recorded in II Pet. 2:22. "But it is happened unto them according to the true proverb, The dog is turned to his own vomit again; and the sow that was washed to her wallowing in the mire."

All idolaters shall have their part in the lake which burneth with fire and brimstone according to Rev. 21:8. As an unbeliever you don't

believe the Word of God, but just as certain as God is on the throne you will taste of His wrath forever and forever. According to the 53rd chap-

ter of Isaiah the Lord was a Man of sorrows. He has nothing to do with your Merry Christmas. You'hear this expression; "Put Christ back in Christmas." The Lord Jesus Christ was never in Christmas so how in the name of high heaven can He get back in it?

Before a sinner is awakened to his lost condition, he thinks he believes the Word of God but in reality you don't. Once you are awakened you find you cannot believe God's Word. You find yourself caught up in unbelief and are lost and under the judgement of God. Have you experienced what I am talking about?

Can you go back to a time when the Holy Spirit awakened you to the fact of your lost condition? Have you ever stood before the judgement lost? Most of you have never known Holy Spirit Conviction that teaches the sinner who he is, and then shows him who Christ is. All you have is church membership. You are just as empty as a rusty tin can, or

more so. The church members of today, including the preachers, are just as heathen as old Babylon. One evidence of this is your love for the celebration that came out of Babylon Where do you stand?

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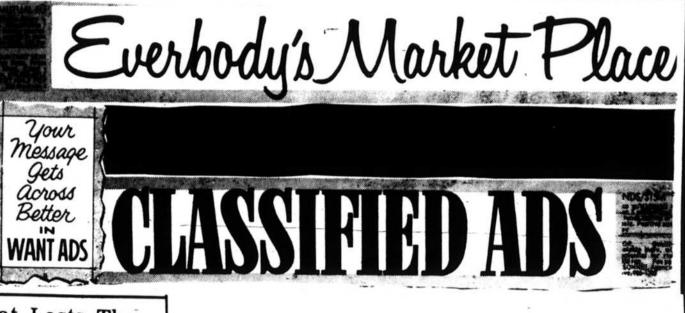
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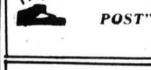
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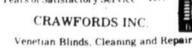
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