

What are the real origins of Easter? The first thing we must understand is that the "Church" was not the first to celebrate a festival that was called "Easter," well it was actually better known then as "Ishtar," which today is pronounced as "Easter." We may ask, what was this ancient festival all about? I am sure that you will be surprised, for I can tell you it was all about the resurrection of a god as it commemorated the resurrection of the pagan god "Tammuz" who was believed to be "the only begotten son" of the moon-goddess, and the sun-god. Let me go back into some history here as an explanation.

In ancient times, there was a man named Nimrod, who as we should all know was the grandson of one of Noah's son named Ham. Ham had a son named Cush who married a woman named Semiramis. Then Cush and Semiramis had a son and they named him "Nimrod." After the death of his father, Nimrod married his own mother and he became a powerful King. The Scriptures speaks about him in Bereshis - Genesis 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 Canley, in the land of Shinar."

Nimrod became a god-man to the people and Semiramis, his wife and mother, became the powerful Queen of ancient Babylon. Nimrod was eventually killed by an enemy, and his body was cut in pieces and sent to various parts of his kingdom.

Semiramis had all of the body parts gathered, except for one part that could not be found. That missing part was his reproductive organ. Semiramis claimed that Nimrod could not come back to life without it and told the people of Babylon that Nimrod had ascended to the sun and he was now to be called "Baal" the sun god. Queen Semiramis also proclaimed that Baal would be present on earth in the form of a flame, whether candle or lamp, when used in worship. Semiramis was creating a new mystery religion and with the help of HaSatan, the evil one, she set herself up as a goddess. Semiramis then claimed that she was immaculately conceived. She taught that the moon was a goddess that went through

a 28 day cycle and ovulated on the day of the full moon. She further claimed that she had come down from the moon in a giant moon egg that fell into the Euphrates River. This was to have happened at the time of the first full moon after the spring equinox.

Semiramis had now become known as "Ishtar", yes the very same word we now know as "Easter," and her moon egg became known as "Ishtar's egg." Does any of this ring a bell? I certainly pray it does, for this is the truth of the matter! Ishtar soon became pregnant and claimed that it was the rays of the sun-god Baal, her son and husband that caused her to conceive.

The son she bore was named Tammuz. He also was another of the gods and he was especially fond of rabbits, and they became a sacred animal in the ancient religion, because Tammuz was believed to be the son of the sun-god, Baal. Tammuz, like his supposed father, also became a hunter. The day came when Tammuz was killed by a wild pig. Queen Ishtar told the people that Tammuz was now ascended to his father Baal, and that the two of them would be with the worshippers in the sacred candle or lamp flame. Ishtar was now worshipped as the "Mother of god and the Queen of Heaven," and she continued to build her mystery religion. Considering that Roman Catholicism is based more on the ancient Babylonian rites than those found in the blessed Scriptures, some of the wording you have just read should not be too surprising, for it is part of their decree! And remember that Emperor Constantine who changed the Seventh Day Sabbath by force, with a decree on March 7, 321 A.D., when he stated,

"On the **venerable Day of the Sun** let the magistrates and people residing in cities rest, and let all workshops be closed." (Codex Justinianus 3.12.3).

Followed up with: "Christians shall not Judaize and be idle on Saturday but shall work on that day; but the Lord's Day they shall especially honour, and, as being Christians, shall, if possible, do no work on that day. If, however, they are found Judaizing (meaning to keep the Sabbath), they shall be shut out from Christ."

We need to remember that all of Constantine's life he was a moon worshipper and the church of Rome states that he converted on his death bed that is if we can believe that?

With Tammuz dead, the queen told her worshippers that when he was killed by the wild pig that some of his blood had fallen on the stump of an evergreen tree and the stump grew into a full new tree overnight. This made the evergreen tree sacred by the blood of Tammuz. She also proclaimed a forty day period of time of sorrow each year prior to the anniversary of the death of Tammuz. This is now called "Lent" by the Roman Catholics. This is how lent commenced according several ex priests, who wrote the book, "The Two Babylon's."

"To conciliate the Pagans to nominal Christianity, Rome, pursuing its usual policy, took measures to get the Christian and Pagan festivals amalgamated, and, by a complicated but skilful adjustment of the calendar, it was found no difficult matter, in general, to get Paganism and Christianity, now far sunk in idolatry, in this as in so many other things, to shake hands."

During lent no meat was to be eaten. Worshippers were to meditate upon the sacred mysteries of Baal and Tammuz, and to make the sign of the "T" for Tammuz in front of their hearts as they worshipped. They also ate sacred sweet cakes with the marking of a "T" or the truth is actually looked more like a cross on the top. Yes friends that is today's hot cross buns, and that is a fact!

Every year, on the first Sunday after the first full moon after the spring equinox, a celebration was made. It was "Ishtar's Sunday" and was celebrated with rabbits and eggs. Ishtar also proclaimed that because Tammuz was killed by a pig, that a pig must be eaten on that Sunday, thus the roast pork.

By now, the readers of this study should have made a clear connection how paganism has infiltrated the contemporary Church, and further study will indicate that this kin of paganism came in by way of the Roman Catholic system. The truth is that Easter has nothing whatsoever to do with the resurrection of our Lord and Saviour Yahushua the Messiah (Jesus Christ). We also know that Easter can be as much as three weeks away from the Scriptural Passover date, because the pagan holiday is always set as the first Sunday after the first full moon after the "spring equinox." Ishtar's Moon Egg Day."

Some have wondered why the word "Easter" is even in the King James Version.

The point beloved, I believe is that Satan is always attempting to lead lives astray and then once a tradition is set in stone, and sadly people tend to become followers and just except whatever they are told, for let's face it if your priest, pater, minister teaches you this or that in the Name of the Lord how can you possibly question it? But, it is time that we let the Almighty speak and we should listen to Yahushua and His disciples!

### **Easter Sun-Rise Services**

You think Easter sunrise services are beautiful? LISTEN! YHVH Elohim was showing the prophet Ezekiel the sins of His people in a vision, a prophecy for today!

"Turn you once again," said Elohim, "and you shall see greater abominations than these" (Ezekiel had just been shown, in a vision, idol-worship among professing people of YHVH).

"And he brought me (in vision) into the inner court of the Eternal's house, and behold ... between the porch and the altar were about five and twenty men, with ... their faces toward the east: and they worshiped the sun towards the east. Then He said unto me, Have you seen this, O son of man? Is it a light thing that they commit the ABOMINATIONS which they commit here? ... Therefore, will I deal IN FURY: Mine eye shall not spare, neither will I have pity: and though they cry in My ears with a loud voice, yet will I not hear them!" Ezekiel 8:15-18.

We know that the Scriptures tell us in Yochannan - John 4:24, "Elohim is a Spirit: and they that worship Him must worship Him in spirit and in truth." The truth is that the forty days of Lent, eggs, rabbits, hot cross buns and the Easter ham have everything to do with the ancient pagan religion of Mystery Babylon. These are all satanic activities, for he is a master deceiver, and has filled the lives of well-meaning, professing Christians with idolatry. These things bring the wrath of the Almighty upon children of disobedience, who try to make pagan customs of Baal worship Christian. Priests, ministers and pastors – BE

WARNED for you are guilty of leading your flock astray! You must answer for your activities and for what you teach your children. Remember that these customs of Easter honour a pagan god Baal, who is also Satan, and is still worshipped as the "Rising Sun" and his house is the "House of the Rising Sun."

How many churches have "sunrise services" on Ishtar's day and face the rising sun in the East? How many will use coloured eggs and rabbit stories just as they did in ancient Babylon.

These things are no joke, any more than Judgement day is a joke. I pray to the Father, blessed be He, that this study will cause you to search for more truth. We will be glad to help you by providing more information and by praying for you.

Beloved these are the last days, and it is time to repent, come out and be separate and celebrate Passover!

The true early believers kept the Passover: The Brit Chadashah (New Testament) reveals that our beloved Lord and Saviour, the apostles, and all the early fellowship of believers for the first 300 to 400 years, both Hebrew and of Gentile origin, but now "neither Jew nor Greek," observed Elohim's Sabbaths, and His appointed Feasts, both weekly and annually! Take the Word of YHVH Elohim and carefully read - Acts 2:1; 12:3-4 (where the word "Easter" is an erroneous translation in "King James Version" as we have already learned, and it has been corrected in other versions.

Eusebius, historian of the early centuries of the "Church," speaks of the true believers observing Passover on the 14th of Nissan, being first month of the sacred (Hebrew) calendar.

In addition, the historian Gieseler wrote that "the Gentile Christians observed also the Sabbath and the Passover," during the latter half of the first century.

But as a new false paganised Church grew in size, but more importantly in political power, decrees were passed by 363 A.D. imposing the death sentence upon true believers found keeping Elohim's Sabbath, or His Seven appointed Feasts. Finally, in order to

keep the true Way of the Almighty, a large portion of the true faithful they fled into the countryside away from the cities where they would be hunted and killed. But tragically a large portion of the TRUE faithful body of believers of Messiah who did not flee who remained true to YHVH's Truth, paid with their lives in martyrdom. History records that countless of these faithful ones were martyred! These blessed ones loved obedience to Elohim and their beloved Saviour Yahushua so much more than their lives! May I ask the question - **DO YOU?**

But through all generations, through every century, though persecuted, scattered, unrecognized by the world, many true believers have kept alive the **TRUE FELLOWSHIP (Body) IN ELOHIM** - and that is the Body in Him composed of those who HaSatan cannot deceive! Mattityahu - Matthew 24:24.

I pray beloved that this study has opened your eyes and heart to the truth of the Word and should you wish to learn more about Passover the appointed Feast of YHVH Elohim,, which comes together with Unleavened bread and First fruits, that is three feasts in one, please email me and I will be happy to provide full details.

May YHVH Elohim bless and keep you in the palm of His hand, in the Name of Yahushua the Messiah!

**Shalom in Messiah - Yahushua.**

May YHVH Elohim bless and keep you in the palm of His hand always, in Messiah Yahushua's loving Name!

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**"Teach me Your way, O YHVH. I will walk in Your truth.  
UNITE MY HEART TO FEAR YOUR NAME!"**

Tehillim - Psalms 86:11

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