# THE CHRISTMAS TREE

Jeremiah 10:2, "thus saith Jehovah, <u>Learn not the way of</u> <u>the nations</u>, and be not dismayed at the signs of heaven; for the nations are dismayed at them."

• Jeremiah 10:1-6, "1 Hear ye the word which Jehovah speaketh unto you, O house of Israel: 2 thus saith Jehovah, Learn not the way of the nations, and be not dismayed at the signs of heaven; for the nations are dismayed at them. 3 For the customs of the peoples are vanity; for one cutteth a tree out of the forest, the work of the hands of the workman with the axe. 4 They deck it with silver and with gold; they fasten it with nails and with hammers, that it move not. 5 They are like a palm-tree, of turned work, and speak not: they must needs be borne, because they cannot go. Be not afraid of them; for they cannot do evil, neither is it in them to do good. 6 There is none like unto thee, O Jehovah; thou art great, and thy name is great in might. 7 Who should not fear thee, O King of the nations? for to thee doth it appertain; forasmuch as among all the wise men of the nations, and in all their royal estate, there is none like unto thee."

## LUCIFER LIKE THE MOST HIGH

• <u>Isaiah 14:12-15</u>, "12 How art thou fallen from heaven, O Lucifer, son of the morning! how art thou cut down to the ground, which didst weaken the nations! 13 For thou hast said in thine 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: 14 I will ascend above the heights of the clouds; <u>I</u> will be like the most High. 15 Yet thou shalt be brought down to hell, to the sides of the pit."

# **GRAVEN IMAGES**

<u>Isaiah 42:8</u>, "I am the LORD: that is my name: and my glory will I not give to another, neither my praise to <u>graven images</u>."
<u>Deuteronomy 7:5</u>, "But thus shall ye deal with them; ye shall destroy their altars, and break down their images, and cut down their groves, and burn their <u>graven images</u> with fire."
<u>Deuteronomy 7:25-26</u>, "25 The <u>graven images</u> of their gods shall ye burn with fire: thou shalt not desire the silver or gold that is on them, nor take it unto thee, lest thou be snared therein: for it is an abomination to the LORD thy God. 26 Neither shalt thou bring an abomination into thine house, lest thou be a cursed thing like it: but thou shalt utterly detest it, and thou shalt utterly abhor it; for it is a cursed thing."

• <u>Deuteronomy 12:3-4</u>, "3 And ye shall overthrow their altars, and break their pillars, and burn their groves with fire; and ye shall hew down <u>the graven images</u> of their gods, and destroy the names of them out of that place. 4 Ye shall not do so unto the LORD your God."

<u>2 Chronicles 33:19</u>, "His prayer also, and how God was intreated of him, and all his sin, and his trespass, and the places wherein he built high places, and set up groves and <u>graven images</u>, before he was humbled: behold, they are written among the sayings of the seers."
<u>2 Chronicles 34:7</u>, "And when he had broken down the altars and the groves, and had beaten the <u>graven images</u> into powder, and cut down all the idols throughout all the land of Israel, he returned to Jerusalem."

• Psalms 78:58, "For they provoked him to anger with their high

places, and moved him to jealousy with their graven images." • <u>Psalms 97:7</u>, "Confounded be all they that serve graven images, that boast themselves of idols: worship him, all ye gods."

• <u>Isaiah 30:21-22</u>, "21 And thine ears shall hear a word behind thee, saying, This is the way, walk ye in it, when ye turn to the right hand, and when ye turn to the left. 22 Ye shall defile also the covering of thy <u>graven images</u> of silver, and the ornament of thy molten images of gold: thou shalt cast them away as a menstruous cloth; thou shalt say unto it, Get thee hence." • <u>Isaiah 42:8</u>, "I am the LORD: that is my name: and my glory will I not give to another, neither my praise to <u>graven images</u>."

• <u>Isaiah 42:17</u>, "They shall be turned back, they shall be greatly ashamed, that trust in <u>graven images</u>, that say to the molten images, Ye are our gods."

• Jeremiah 8:19-20, "19 Behold the voice of the cry of the daughter of my people because of them that dwell in a far country: Is not the LORD in Zion? is not her king in her? Why have they provoked me to anger with their graven images, and with strange vanities? 20 The harvest is past, the summer is ended, and we are not saved."

• Jeremiah 50:38, "A drought is upon her waters; and they shall be dried up: for it is the land of graven images, and they are mad upon their idols."

• Jeremiah 51:47, "Therefore, behold, the days come, that I will do judgment upon the graven images of Babylon: and her whole land shall be confounded, and all her slain shall fall in the midst of her."

• Jeremiah 51:52, "Wherefore, behold, the days come, saith the LORD, that I will do judgment upon her graven images: and through all her land the wounded shall groan."

• <u>Micah 1:7</u>, "And all the <u>graven images</u> thereof shall be beaten to pieces, and all the hires thereof shall be burned with the fire, and all the idols thereof will I lay desolate: for she gathered it of the hire of an harlot, and they shall return to the hire of an harlot."

• <u>Micah 5:12-13</u>, "12 And I will cut off witchcrafts out of thine hand; and thou shalt have no more soothsayers: 13 Thy <u>graven images</u> also will I cut off, and thy standing images out of the midst of thee; and thou shalt no more worship the work of thine hands."

• <u>Isaiah 44:9-11</u>, "9 They that make a <u>graven image</u> are all of them vanity; and their delectable things shall not profit; and they are their own witnesses; they see not, nor know; that they may be ashamed. 10 Who hath formed a god, or molten a <u>graven image</u> that is profitable for nothing? 11 Behold, all his fellows shall be ashamed: and the workmen, they are of men: let them all be gathered together, let them stand up; yet they shall fear, and they shall be ashamed together." • <u>Isaiah 44:15-17, 21</u>, "15 Then shall it be for a man to burn: for he will take thereof, and warm himself; yea, he kindleth it, and baketh bread; yea, he maketh a god, and worshippeth it; he maketh it a <u>graven image</u>, and falleth down thereto. 16 He burneth part thereof in the fire; with part thereof he eateth flesh; he roasteth roast, and is satisfied: yea, he warmeth himself, and saith, Aha, I am warm, I have seen the fire: 17 And the residue thereof he maketh a god, even his <u>graven image</u>: he falleth down unto it, and worshippeth it, and prayeth unto it, and saith, <u>Deliver me; for thou art my god</u>. 18 They have not known nor understood: for he hath shut their eyes, that they cannot see; and their hearts, that they cannot understand ... 21 Remember these, O Jacob and Israel; for thou art my servant: <u>I</u> <u>have formed thee; thou art my servant</u>: O Israel, thou shalt not be forgotten of me."

#### WE ARE WASHED AND SANCTIFIED

•<u>1 Corinthians 6:5-11</u>, "9 Know ye not that the unrighteous shall not inherit the kingdom of God? Be not deceived: neither fornicators, nor idolaters, nor adulterers, nor effeminate, nor abusers of themselves with mankind, 10 Nor thieves, nor covetous, nor drunkards, nor revilers, nor extortioners, shall inherit the kingdom of God. 11 And such were some of you: but ye are washed, but ye are sanctified, but ye are justified in the name of the Lord Jesus, and by the Spirit of our God."

### WE ARE NOT OF THIS WORLD

• <u>1 John 2:15-18</u>, "15 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. 16 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. 17 And the world passeth away, and the lust thereof: but he that doeth the will of God abideth for ever. 18 Little children, it is the last time: and as ye have heard that antichrist shall come, even now are there many antichrists; whereby we know that it is the last time."



# ALL OF THESE RELIGIONS CELEBRATE DECEMBER 25TH

Hermes     Greece	Buddha Nepal	Krishna India	Horus Egypt	Hercules Greece	Adonis Phoenicia
Dionysus	Zarathustra	Jesus	Mithras	Tammuz	MORE &
Greek	Greece	Rome	Persia	Babylon	MORE

# (SEMIRAMIS) NIMROD'S MOTHER AND WIFE

•According to the historian

Eusebius, Semiramis was the wife of Nimrod. In the Sumerian language, her name is "Sammur-amat." According to less trustworthy traditions, Semiramis was Noah's granddaughter, and both the mother and wife of Nimrod.

## THE GOSPEL CALL/INVATATION

• <u>Acts 2:37-39, 42</u>, "37 Now when they heard this, they were pricked in their heart, and said unto Peter and to the rest of the apostles, Men and brethren, what shall we do? 38 Then Peter said unto them, Repent, and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins, and ye shall receive the gift of the Holy Ghost. 39 For the promise is unto you, and to your children, and to all that are afar off, even as many as the Lord our God shall call ... 42 And they continued stedfastly in the apostles' doctrine and fellowship, and in breaking of bread, and in prayers. HEAR – BELIEVE – REPENT – CONFESS – BAPTISM BE FAITHFUL