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the Mystery of Iniqu

rue Christians ARE NOT IGNORANT of Satan's many "DEVICES [HIS PERCEPTIONS; HIS PURPOSES]," (2 COR. 2:11) for we KNOW that "...the MYSTERY OF INIQUITY doth ALREADY WORK"[IT IS STILL ACTIVE]" (2 THES. 2:7), and has turned the message of our Lord's RES-**SURECTION** into a **ONCE-A-YEAR OBSERVANCE!**

Religion calls EASTER a "Christian" holiday that celebrates the **RESURRECTION** of Jesus Christ. But this observance is **MAN-MADE**!

God NEVER COMMANDED Christians to celebrate or commemorate His Son's resurrection, but instead, to preach "THE GOSPEL" to the whole world, "...how that Christ DIED FOR **OUR SINS** according to the scriptures; and that he was **BURIED**, and that he **ROSE AGAIN** THE THIRD DAY according to the scriptures" (1 COR. 15:3-4).

This <u>resurrection</u> message has **NOTHING TO DO** with the coloring or hunting of eggs, the Easter Bunny, Easter Parades, or anything else!

> The Story that EASTER can NEVER TELL!

The resurrection of Jesus Christ declares that **DEATH ITSELF** was **DEFEATED**, the **STING OF** DEATH has been REMOVED (1 COR. 15:51-57), and the **DOORWAY** to **ETERNAL LIFE** has been opened. This message is CAMOUFLAGED in the myth of a pagan practice like **EASTER!**

Satan DOES NOT WANT MAN TO HEAR THIS MESSAGE because he wants to STRIP MAN of any HOPE at all. If man KNEW the TRUTH of what Jesus has accomplished for him, there would be **FEWER** *murder/suicides* in the world today!

God **SENT HIS SON** to this world for $\underline{a \ very}$ good reason: that MAN might have EVER-LASTING LIFE! DEATH has a GRIP on SIN-FUL humanity, because "...it is APPOINTED UNTO MEN ONCE TO DIE..." (HEBREWS 9:27).

And, we ALL DIE, because we ALL HAVE SINNED: "...the WAGES OF SIN is DEATH" (ROMANS 6:23). We are ALL SINFUL: "...there is NONE that DOETH GOOD, no, NOT ONE" (PSALM 14:3). "For

there is not a JUST MAN upon earth that DOETH GOOD, and SINNETH NOT" (ECCLES. 7:20).

The **LAW** of God is **RIGHTEOUSNESS!** But **WE**, because of our SINFUL NATURE, will not, and can not KEEP GOD'S LAW PERFECTLY!

So, God <u>SENT HIS SON</u> "...in the likeness of [OUR] SINFUL FLESH, and for sin, CON-**DEMNED SIN** in the flesh" (ROMANS 8:3), by DOING WHAT WE COULD NOT DO, that is, HE KEPT GOD'S HOLY LAW TO THE LETTER!

What God <u>DEMANDED</u> [FROM US], God <u>PRO-</u> VIDED [THROUGH HIS ONLY BEGOTTEN SON], and because He **SINNED NOT**, "...it **PLEASED THE** LORD TO BRUISE HIM" (ISAIAH 53:10).

Because he was sinless, **DEATH COULD NOT HOLD** HIM IN THE GRAVE, and, by the power of God, he AROSE, taking with him "...the KEYS of Hell and of Death" (REV. 1:18). He became "...the FIRSTFRUITS of them that SLEPT [THEY WHO DIED IN THE LORD]" (1 COR. 15:20).

NOW, "...in Adam ALL DIE...[BUT] IN CHRIST shall ALL BE MADE ALIVE" (1 Cor. 15:22) IF you REPENT TO GOD of your sins and be **BORN AGAIN** of the *Spirit*!

> RELIGION BORROWS FROM **Myths & Fables of Goddesses**

The world is **FILLED** with many, very active "mysteries of iniquities" that Satan is using as distractions to keep mankind from the Word of God. One of them is **EASTER** and its association with a goddess of fertility!



"EASTER" -- goddess of Fertility Rabbit -- Symbol of Fertility

Satan has mingled this pagan **EASTER FEAST DAY** with the resurrection of Christ, connecting the beginning of SPRING, SPRING COLORS, SPRING FLOWERS, NEW LIFE, and FERTILITY, using the reproduction ability of rabbits and the coloring of eggs as symbols!

Satan camouflages TRUTH, he distracts away from TRUTH, he distorts the TRUTH, and, he has "...CHANGED the TRUTH OF GOD into a LIE" (ROMANS 1:25) many times, by re-focusing man's attention on ritualism and tradition instead of "...SOUND DOC-TRINE" (1 TIM. 1:10; 2 TIM. 4:3; TITUS 2:1).

People say that "All Roads lead to Rome," but spiritually speaking, "ALL ROADS of the abominations of the earth LEAD BACK TO ANCIENT BABY-LON THE GREAT, because ALL abominations originated there!"

All the nations of the earth are CONTAMI-NATED with some form of "LIE" that BLINDS **THEM** to the **TRUTH OF GOD**: "...the god of this world hath **BLINDED THE MINDS** of them which **BELIEVE NOT**, lest the **LIGHT** of the glorious GOSPEL of Christ...should SHINE unto them" (2 COR. 4:4).

Shortly after the church was born on the day of Pentecost, the children of the wicked one planted themselves AMONG the saints of God! Later, they SEPA-RATED from the saints to form what is known today as, *the Roman Catholic Church*, led by the *Roman* Emperor Constantine:

"They WENT OUT from us, but they were NOT OF US: for IF THEY HAD BEEN of us, they would NO **DOUBT HAVE CONTINUED** with us: but they **WENT OUT**, that they might be **MADE MANIFEST** [TO RENDER APPARENT] that THEY WERE NOT ALL OF US" (1 JOHN 2:19). Most of these were of *Jewish origin*.

Under the preeminence of *Constantine* in the year 325 AD, the *Council of Nicaea unanimously voted* that **EASTER** of the pagans should be *incorporated* and celebrated throughout the Christian world on the 1st Sunday after the full moon, which would coincide with the Jewish Passover.

In view of all these <u>unspiritual things</u> done in the name of "Christianity," God commanded that we, the born again, "...EARNESTLY CONTEND FOR [TO STRUGGLE FOR] THE FAITH which was **ONCE DELIVERED** *unto the saints* [THERE IS NO NEW DOCTRINE DELIVERED]. For there are CER-TAIN MEN [MALE & FEMALE] CREPT IN UNAWARES [TO SETTLE IN ALONGSIDE]...turning the GRACE OF OUR GOD into LASCIVIOUSNESS [LUST; LEWDNESS; EXCITING LUSTFUL DESIRES]" (JUDE 1:1-3]. BEWARE!