

# T’is the Season to be Jolly—The Christmas Story

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While driving yesterday, I had my car radio tuned to a Christian station; a few moments in, and I heard the speaker on the *Truth for Life Ministries* broadcast, with Alistair Begg, making mention of “The Christmas Story”.<sup>1</sup> He lamented how he wished the whole world would learn *the Christmas Story*. The speaker proceeded to reading, “Behold, a virgin shall be with child, and shall bring forth a son, and they shall call his name Emmanuel, which being interpreted is, God with us.” Matt. 1: 23.

I audibly asked myself the question, “What is the Christmas Story?” I turned off the radio when one lie after another was presented, coated with the beautiful truth of the Saviour’s birth. I pondered my thoughts, then God spoke to me: the belief that Jesus was born on December 25<sup>th</sup> is as FALSE as is a Transgendered human; it is as FRAUDELENT as a biological man giving birth to a human baby or breast-feeding! It is as FAKE as the existence of a Trans-man or a Trans-woman! Yes, it is as FRAUDELENT as the claim that Sunday is the Bible Sabbath for Christians! All of these being a false manifestation of a fundamental truth that is being obscured or erased, similarly the 25<sup>th</sup> of December is designed to bury the veritable truth of Scripture that Christ was born on the Biblical Feast of Tabernacles—



the 15<sup>th</sup> day of the 7<sup>th</sup> Biblical month. But knowing that a ministry called *Truth for Life* is peddling *the biggest LIE ever told*, shines the light in a deeper focus that altogether Christians being proponents of *truth* ought to eschew that which is patently false, built on a *lie*!

Seventh-day Adventists have been called into existence to declare the Truth that “Babylon the great is fallen, is fallen, and is become the habitation of devils, and the hold of every foul spirit, and a cage of every unclean and hateful bird,” but sadly instead, as a people, we have joined with the lying serpent in celebrating December 25<sup>th</sup> in unison with the daughters of

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<sup>1</sup> [Sermons about the Christmas Story from Truth For Life](#)

Babylon, lying to ourselves and the world that “Jesus is the reason for the season.” How then will we ever truly (in our current backslidden state), be equipped to call a people out from Babylon’s darkness, when we ourselves have wended our steps into Babylon, and feel that our *existence* now depends on being there? Where are the “called out people” who will stand alone, like Daniel and his companions, on the platform of truth, not bowing the knee to the image of Baal? I urge you to please stand up and stand out, in Jesus’ name, as the darkness is rapidly settling in.

## Christmas Sacredness is the Precursor to the International Mark of the Beast System—Sunday Sacredness

It is quite warm and fuzzy to feel that Jesus was born on December 25<sup>th</sup>, and when accompanied with holiday cheers and privileges such as an *internationally* recognized *day of rest* (a Sabbath of sorts). Even among nations and cultures that are averse to the existence of Jesus Christ as the Son of God, is this festive spirit welcomed with a buzz of FAKE good cheer, happy faces, decked halls with silver bells. It takes an overmastering conviction to walk away and say, this is a FRAUD, I will not participate! But unless we develop this strong resolve, we will all be overtaken with the other internationally recognized FRAUD that is soon to break upon our world—the Mark of the Beast System (MOBS)! How do we know this? The Bible tells us so:

“11 And I beheld another beast coming up out of the earth; and he had two horns like a lamb, and he spake as a dragon.12 And **he [second beast]** exerciseth all the power of **the first beast** before him, and causeth the earth and them which dwell therein to **worship the first beast**, whose **deadly wound was healed**... 15 And he had power to give **life** unto the image of the beast, that the image of the beast should both speak, and cause that as many as would not worship the image of the beast should be killed.” Rev. 13: 11, 12, 15.

In the truest sense, therefore, the much discussed and globally known MOBS is as internationally engineered truth-coated lie (FRAUD), which is as compelling as are the lie that Christ was born on Christmas, therefore He is the reason for the season; the lie that Jesus and the Apostles have transferred solemnity of the Sabbath from the seventh day to now the first or 8<sup>th</sup> day of the week; or the lie that are more than *two genders* in human creation. In order, therefore, to believe the MOBS lie, which is the promotion of a false worship statute, it will be cloaked in public displays, and given wide governmental support, world over! But who is the genius behind this false worship? Let’s look more closely at verses the passage: “11 ... **he [second beast]** spake as a dragon.12 And **he [second beast]** exerciseth all the power of **the first beast** before him, and causeth the earth and them which dwell therein to **worship the first beast**...”

The indefinite article “a” before the word “dragon” is only a King James Version limitation, and when compared with verses 2-4 as well as the Revised versions, it is seen to be more accurately presented with the definite article “the,” hence, the more precise translation of the verse is as follows: “11 ... **he [second beast]** spake as **the dragon**.” There is one unique “dragon” in all of Scripture and throughout the universe of God—Lucifer, “that old serpent, called the Devil, and Satan, which deceiveth the whole world,” (Rev. 12:9). This *dragon’s speech* (Rev. 13: 11) or *dragon’s roar* was first mentioned as an oppositional force that has been directed against the true church from the earliest of times (Gen. 3: 15), and it is seen in the last days operating with determined focus against the commandments of God, and those who embrace them!

“17 And the dragon was wroth with the woman, and went to **make war** with the remnant of her seed, which keep the commandments of God, and have the testimony of Jesus Christ.” Rev. 12: 17.

This “woman” is a representation of God’s True Church (the body of true worshippers) throughout the ages, not to be confused with Mary, “the virgin,” who gave birth to the Christ child. We should make it known from now that Mary did not give birth to God, hence *she is not “the mother of God*—another lie from the same deceiver. Instead, Mary was the earthly mother of Jesus Christ, “the Son of the Highest,” (Luke 1:32)—an eternal pre-existent being who was “made flesh” for the remission of our sins, including the sins of Mary. What we are seeing then, from Rev. 12: 17, is a Satanic attempt in exterminating of the *true* worshippers of YHWH from the earth. Who are they? The definite biblical answer is resounding, they are those who “keep the commandments of God and have the testimony of Jesus Christ.” It is, therefore, our duty to not only know about “the Commandments of God” but more important that we “keep” them also, for this is one of the Divinely ordained identifying marks of those who worship the Creator “in spirit and in truth,” (John 4: 23, 24). This is in no way suggesting a “salvation by works” motif, but that the body of true believers are commandment keepers, being convinced that “to **obey is better than sacrifice**, and to hearken than the fat of rams.” 1 Sam. 15: 22.

The Bible has also provided an additional identifying mark of the true Church of all times including today: they “**have** the testimony of Jesus Christ”, which we are further told by the Revelator, “is the Spirit of prophecy,” Rev. 19: 10. This “Spirit of Prophecy” is not merely a set of holy books but the actual SPIRIT of the prophets—the Holy Spirit of God that was also in the prophets, indicating that this body of believers will have the abiding *gift of prophecy*, and will be guided as such to the end of time.

## Christmas (Christ's Mass) is a Celebration of Death, not of Birth!

It is a little-known fact that *Christmas* is a celebration, not of life but of death! It is not the recognition of a person's birthday or early beginnings but is the mark of triumph over a person's death. Hence, it is the celebration of a *massacre*—a bloody sacrifice! To this fact, the Catholic Church bears witness on the Eucharistic “mass” which has given prominence to the “mass” of Christ, or “Christ mass” (Christmas).

“The Eucharist, the sacrament of our salvation **accomplished by Christ on the cross**, is also a **sacrifice** of praise in thanksgiving for the work of creation. In the Eucharistic **sacrifice** the whole of creation loved by God is presented to the Father through the death and the Resurrection of Christ.”<sup>2</sup>

“In the New Testament, the memorial takes on new meaning. When the Church celebrates the Eucharist, she commemorates Christ's Passover, and it is made **present the sacrifice Christ offered once for all on the cross** remains ever present.”<sup>3</sup>

Clearly, the “mass” is a celebration of Christ's ignominious yet sacrificial death “on the cross,” and is completely detached from His birth to the virgin, Mary! So, by definition, the Catholic “mass” of Christ (Christ mass), does not recognize his birth, but His death, instead, and is therefore a misnomer and misrepresentation of His “birth!” This is an inverted reasoning, like calling males by “female” pronouns, and vice versa, without regard for the Word of God which teaches there are *only two genders*.

When we see news headlines such as the following one, it should be cause for great concern: “*Syrian Christians attend their first Christmas mass post-Assad*”<sup>4</sup> Here we are seeing the syncretization of Roman Catholicism into authentic Christianity in a near seamless takeover. Why is this concerning? Because Christians do not attend MASS, this is a strictly Roman Catholic practice, but having an internationally recognized Media House calling Catholics “Christians,” only drives the lie that much deeper, and as there are far more Roman Catholics than there are Protestant Evangelical Christians, it won't be long before the public face of Christianity is represented as the door to the Roman catholic Church!

Yet another headline reads, “Syrian protests erupt over video of fighters burning Christmas tree” The article says, in part, “We demand **the rights of Christians**,’ protesters chanted as they marched through the Syrian capital towards the headquarters of the Orthodox patriarchate in the Bab Sharqi neighbourhood. One demonstrator, who identified himself as

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<sup>2</sup> [Catechism # 1359](#)

<sup>3</sup> [Catechism #1364](#)

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Georges, told AFP that they were protesting over ‘**injustice to Christians**’”.<sup>5</sup> *This is a FRAUD and a total misidentification of Bible-based Christianity!*

## The Coming Global Religious Mandate to “Protect Planet and People”

We started this discourse by stating that an international worship mandate will be brought upon the world, and the masses will go for it as though it were the everlasting gospel. Let’s pause to read what the Bible says:

”2 And the beast which I saw was like unto a leopard, and his feet were as *the feet* of a bear, and his mouth as the mouth of a lion: and **the dragon** gave him his power, and his seat, and great authority. 3 And I saw one of his heads as it were wounded to death; and his deadly wound was healed: and **all the world** wondered after the beast. 4 And they [deceived humanity] **worshipped the dragon** which gave power unto the beast: and **they worshipped the beast**, saying, Who *is* like unto the beast? who is able to make war with him?” Rev. 13: 2-4.

Notably, the worship that is advanced in v. 12 is the SAME that is called forth above—“they worshipped the dragon”, by blindly following the teachings of “the wounded beast”! Sadly, “all the world” will participate in this false worship, save for those who “keep the Commandments of God!” It should now be absolutely clear to every sound reasoner that popular support given a socially-accepted sin or vice does not lessen its revulsion and offensiveness before our just and Holy God. Today being the 25<sup>th</sup> of December, all the popular stores, save for absolutely necessary services such as gas stations, are closed in observance of the Christmas Sabbath! To this wayward “dragon” worship, the God of Heaven declares,

“9 And the third angel followed them, saying with a loud voice, **If any man worship the beast and his image**, and receive *his* mark in his forehead, or in his hand, 10 **The same shall drink of the wine of the wrath of God**, which is poured out without mixture into the cup of his indignation; and he shall be tormented with fire and brimstone in the presence of the holy angels, and in the presence of the Lamb.” Rev. 14: 9, 10.

In bold relief against those who have been deceived by the false worship, promulgated by both beasts, Heaven exhibits those who are called “the saints,” accordingly: “Here is the patience of the saints: here *are* **they that keep the commandments of God, and the faith of Jesus**.” Rev. 14: 12.

The “saints” being recognized by God as “commandment keepers,” evidently they must have discovered something in God’s Law that informed them about the *false worship* advocated

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<sup>5</sup> [Syrian protests erupt over video of fighters burning Christmas tree](#)

by the MOBS, knowing that it militates against said Law! This is why we know that a false day of rest and worship to separation from secular labor will be advanced by globalists dressed in Church & State garb, to replace the Bible Sabbath, and this false Sabbath has already been spoken for, and accepted in every nation—Sunday. We should be on the lookout for a growing demand to make Sunday sacred for “the protection of *planet* and *people*.” This plot is actually exposed in Rev. 13: 12—“he causeth **the earth** and them which dwell therein to **worship**.” Observe that “the earth” is our “planet”, and “them which dwell therein” are its inhabitants—people! How though, can the planet “worship” God? The answer is easy, the Bible teaches that the planet (earth) observes the Sabbath *only* when the people observe it (Lev. 25: 2-7), and so Satan has moved the globalists to recognize the need for a climate Sabbath to protect the earth from the *contrived* existential threat of *anthropogenic Climate Change*!

## A Sabbath for The World

In his groundbreaking encyclical on the environment, one which has attracted the attention and respect of all world leaders, except one, pope Francis has famously written:

- “1. Faced as we are with **global environmental deterioration**, I wish to *address every person living on this planet...* 3. In this Encyclical, I would like to enter into dialogue with all people about our common home.” §1, 3
- “236. **The Eucharist** joins heaven and earth; it embraces and penetrates all creation...Thus, the Eucharist is also a **source of light and motivation** for our concerns **for the environment**, directing us to be **stewards of all creation...**237. **On Sunday**, our participation in **the Eucharist** has **special importance**. **Sunday, like the Jewish Sabbath**, is meant to be a day which heals our relationships with God, with ourselves, with others and with the world... **The law of weekly rest forbade** work on the seventh day... And so **the day of rest**, centered on the Eucharist [SUNDAY], sheds it light on the whole week, and motivates us to greater concern for nature and the poor. ” § 236, 237.<sup>6</sup>



It now becomes clear that there is a sinister aim behind the climate alarmism of our times, and it is intended to deceive the whole world, as much as the deception of COVID and Christmas, into accepting a spurious Sabbath in exchange for the Creator’s Sabbath!

This logo was inspired by pope Francis for the world to take on this climate challenge! And eagerly the world has responded.

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<sup>6</sup> [http://w2.vatican.va/content/francesco/en/encyclicals/documents/papa-francesco\\_20150524\\_enciclica-laudato-si.html](http://w2.vatican.va/content/francesco/en/encyclicals/documents/papa-francesco_20150524_enciclica-laudato-si.html) | Pope Francis, May 2015, Laudato Si, § 1, 3, 236, 237



Take for example this breaking news article entitled, **12 Reasons You Should Make Sunday Your Day of Rest**<sup>7</sup> Why is Sunday singled out above all days of the week? When you truly understand this, you will sense the urgency of eschewing all that is popular, cultural and opposed to the commandments of YHWH.

In His Law, here is an example of what God has said about how He should be worshipped as compared with the idolatrous worship of the heathens whose famous practice was to worship the Sun on the venerable day attributed to it's worship, hence its current name "*Sunday*! "3 And ye shall *overthrow* their altars, and *break* their pillars, and *burn* their groves with fire; and ye shall hew down the graven images of their gods, and *destroy* the names of them out of that place. 4 **Ye shall not do so unto the LORD your God.**" Deut. 12: 3, 4.

The Bible is clear, we cannot mix the worship of YHWH with that of idols! When Christians, therefore, are disobedient to the plain demands of the Creator, and ascribe worship to Him as the heathens do to their deities—even cutting down an evergreen tree and making an idol of it, decked with silver and gold and presents to boot—we can realize the abomination it creates in the sight of the pure and Holy One of Israel. It matters not that influential political leaders such as Donald Trump (<https://x.com/MAGAVoice/status/1871975096111509618>) lend their support to Christmas and wraps it in a package of Bible verses on the birth of Christ; it is still a FRAUD, and must be avoided at all costs by Truth's children.

Many Christians justify the false day by suggesting that the Bible does not tell us when the Saviour was born, but this is not true, for it does, and more importantly, though Jesus lived for 33 ½ years as a human being, never has it been reported of him celebrating a festival in the Winter that is not associated with Torah worship. "**22**And it was at Jerusalem the feast of the dedication, and it was winter. **23**And Jesus walked in the temple in Solomon's porch." John 10: 22, 23.

In this passage we see that this "feast" in Winter that brought Jesus to the Temple, was not one associated with the worship of Tamuz (Dec. 25<sup>th</sup>), it was not a Christmas festival, but instead it was the "feast of the dedication," also known as *Hanukkah*! If the Bible was careful enough to highlight this feast, which precedes and overlaps Christmas, we can be assured that it would just as faithfully recount such an event! Being weeks apart sometimes, and overlapping at others, as in 2024 (Hanukkah extends from Dec. 25<sup>th</sup> thru Jan. 2<sup>nd</sup>), the Bible would have spoken to this most central theme of His life! But here there is silence, and the silence lasted for the better part of the first four centuries of the Christian faith. Then when it was broken, it came from a non-Apostolic source! This fraud must be exposed and not countenanced among Christians who are loyal to the holy Bible.

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<sup>7</sup> <https://www.top5.com/12-reasons-you-should-make-sunday-your-day-of-rest/>

I shall provide a passing commentary on the buying and selling restrictions that will be enforced under the MOB System: “16 And he **causeth** [mandates] all, both small and great, rich and poor, free and bond, to receive a mark in their right hand, or in their foreheads: 17 And that **no man might buy or sell, save** he that had the mark, or the name of the beast, or the number of his name.” Rev. 13: 16, 17.

Take note that the buying and selling restrictions called for in this passage are merely the incentives for participating in the false “worship” under the MOB. We’ve had a primer to this under the “poisonation” mandates during the planned Pandemic, where it was “the job or the job,” among other restrictions. By weaponizing our ability to trade, this was a very effective tool from the devil to get many unwilling participants to give in to the high-pressure “existential threat that” was presented to us all! Similar restrictions will again be manifested by the Dragon, this time accompanied by a death penalty for all non-conformists! But we need not fear, for God has promised us a way of escape through His Pre-Advent Kingdom of glory, (see Dan. 2: 44), when Michael stands up (Dan. 12: 1).

### How Shall Christians Spend December 25<sup>th</sup>?

Satan has placed us in a sort of moral stiff jacket of sorts, by making Christmas “all about the children,” thereby creating a forceful pressure tactic on adults to perpetuate the lie *solely for the children’s* sakes! So, while we ought not to ignore any holiday, we must not elevate December 25<sup>th</sup> above all other such days. Let it be forever settled in our minds that Christmas is not the only holiday in the year, there are at least 11 other such days in the Western culture, and should each be used for our families, whenever such time-off is afforded us by our employers. After all, most non-essential workers are given the day off from work by their employers, and this allows most businesses to close their doors in acknowledgement of that day!

Among the most enduring aspects of Christmas that endears so many people to its continued practice, is the gift-giving campaign. Deep within our soul we know that “Every good gift and every perfect gift is from above, and cometh down from the Father of lights, with whom is no variableness, neither shadow of turning.” James 1:17. Gifting is therapeutic both to the giver and the receiver, especially when the gift is one of great utility, or a desperately needed token of love and appreciation!

Personally, I have purposefully avoided gifting to familiar people around that time of year, so no one is confused. It is an exciting time to get discounts on seasonal items, especially at the *after Christmas* and *after New Year Sales*! If you discipline yourself to wait, so as not to compete with the stocking-stuffers, you will not be disappointed. *Make it a family tradition*,



*if you wish, young children will enjoy it!* As for the pagan tree, I recommend you read prayerfully Jer. 10: 1-11, taking particular note to “learn *not* the way of the heathens.”

“*The youth in this country [Australia] require more earnest spiritual labor than in any other country we have yet visited. Temptations are strong and numerous; the **many holidays and the habits of idleness are most unfavorable for the young.** Satan makes the idle man a partaker and co-worker in his schemes, and the Lord Jesus does not abide in the heart by faith... But from their youth up **they have been educated to the popular idea that the appointed holidays must be treated with respect and be observed.** From the light that the Lord has given me, **these days have no more influence for good than would the worship of heathen deities; for this is really nothing less. These days are Satan's special harvest seasons.** The money drawn from men and women is expended for that which is not bread. The youth are educated to love those things which are demoralizing, **things which the word of God condemns.** The influence is evil and only evil continually.”<sup>8</sup>*

It is fundamental importance that all Christian adults, parents, guardians and educators, teach the Truth of Christmas to Children, and break this cycle of dependency on Satan’s institutions. While we teach the truth that Christmas is pagan, it is equally necessary to expose the REAL TRUTH that has been covered up all these centuries, the truth of God’s appointed times, that Jesus Christ was actually born on the feast of Tabernacles, the time when the Bible says, “And the Word became flesh, and did **tabernacle** among us, and we beheld his glory, glory as of an only begotten of a father, full of grace and truth.” John 1: 14, Young’s Literal Translation.

A “tabernacle” is a tent, a booth, a temporary dwelling place, and so when Christ became Immanuel—God with us—He took on the form of humanity, our tabernacle and “dwelt” with us! Every year when we observe this sacred festival, found in Lev. 23: 33-43, it is a commemoration of the great dwelling when God came down and walked among men, to teach us His ways and directing our steps in His paths. God will have a purified remnant who will be obedient to him in all His precepts, the 144,000, and of them the Bible says, “**4**These are they which were **not defiled with women**; for they are **virgins**. These are they which **follow the Lamb whithersoever he goeth.** These were redeemed from among men, *being* the firstfruits unto God and to the Lamb. **5**And in their mouth was found no guile: for they are without fault before the throne of God.” Rev. 14: 4, 5.

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<sup>8</sup> Ellen G. White, [Special Testimonies On Education, February, 1894](#) | Fundamentals of Christian Education 320.3

**“10 If ye keep my commandments, ye shall abide in my love; even as I have kept my Father's commandments, and abide in his love. 11**These things have I spoken unto you, that my joy might remain in you, and *that* your joy might be full.” John 15: 10, 11.

**“14**If I then, *your Lord and Master*, have washed your feet; ye also ought to wash one another's feet. **15**For **I have given you an example**, that **ye should do as I have done to you. 16**Verily, verily, I say unto you, The servant is not greater than his lord; neither he that is sent greater than he that sent him. **17**If ye know these things, **happy are ye if ye do them.**” John 13: 14-17.

Since Jesus kept the true Bible Sabbath and the appointed feasts, including the Feast of Tabernacles which commemorates His birth, as followers of His, don't you think His disciples of today should follow their Master in all things? *You be the judge.*