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Greetings!

Should you who say you follow Christ or the Bible celebrate the holidays such as Christmas, Easter, etc. that are claimed to be holidays in honor of God & Christ? You will probably say yes. My question to you is why do you say this?
“Well, the holidays are based on events and people in the Bible.”

Is that so? Are these holidays indeed based on the Bible? If this is so, then we should expect to find there origins in the Scriptures or at least somewhere in Judaic/Hebraic tradition & history. Let’s look at a few of these holidays and see if we can find there beginnings in the Scriptures or Judaic/Hebraic history.

**Ancients Origins Of Christmas** – In ancient times many cultures worshiped their deities around the time of the winter solstice. From their celebrations comes not only the date when we celebrate Christmas, but also many of our holiday traditions. First recorded before the times of Christ were the Babylonians, who worshiped the sun god Isis, annually on December 25. Later Romans designated December 25 as the day of their celebration. On this day, they honored, not only Saturn, the deity of agriculture, but also the birthday of Mithras the sun god. Meanwhile on that same day, the people of northern Europe celebrated Yule, also in honor of their sun god Mithras.

During Jesus’ time, worship of Mithras continued to be popular in Rome. After Jesus’ death, Christianity began to replace pagan religions. However, many pagan converts to Christianity refused to discontinue their pagan practices. Many of these Christians worshipped Mithras on Sunday (named after the sun god), and attended the annual feast. Sight this as a problem, church leaders decided to Christianize pagan customs, in order to attract pagans and allow converts to observe their old traditions in a godly fashion.

In 321, the Roman Emperor Constantine gave Christianity freedom in Rome. Later in 336AD, Christians unofficially replaced the pagan Roman holiday with a celebration honoring Christ’s birth. Pope Julius, who designated December 25 as the official celebration of Christ’s birth, followed this up in 350AD. This holiday became known as Christmas, or the Mass of Christ.

Christmas soon spread to other countries beyond Rome. In 432AD it had reached Egypt; during the 6th century, England was observing Christmas and by the 8th century, Scandinavia practiced it. However, the Greek Orthodox Church and Russian Orthodox Church, refused to recognize Christmas as a Christian holiday because of its pagan origin. Instead they chose to celebrate the Epiphany also known as Three Kings Day, which honored the visitation of the magi to Jesus.

Although Christianity has its basic origin in pagan holidays and early church history, the American celebration, as we know it today, has transformed over the years. – [http://www.hyperhistory.net/apwh/essays/cot/t0w32christmas.htm](http://www.hyperhistory.net/apwh/essays/cot/t0w32christmas.htm)

So here we see Christmas has its origin in idolatry and not the Bible. If you want further proof of this all you have to do is type in origins of Christmas in any search engine and watch what you get. But let’s not stop there, let’s look at a few more.

**Origin Of Thanksgiving** - ‘The Romans celebrated their Thanksgiving early in October. The holiday was dedicated to the goddess of harvest, Ceres, and the holiday was called Cerelia. The Christians took over the Roman holiday and it became well established in England, where some of the Roman customs and rituals for this day were observed long after the Roman Empire had disappeared. In England the ‘Harvest Home' has been observed continuously for centuries. The custom was to select a harvest queen for this holiday. She was decorated with the grain of their fields and the fruit of their trees. On Thanksgiving Day she was paraded through the streets in a carriage drawn by white horses. This was a remnant of the Roman ceremonies in honor of Ceres...the Pilgrims brought the “Harvest in" to Massachusetts.” (Little, Brown & Company, 1953) ‘The idea underlying such a celebration did not originate with them, “Thanksgiving day”, by that or
some other name, was known to virtually all the people who have come to America since 1492 and is known to those now coming...It becomes apparent that a day of thanksgiving is a custom in almost all the countries of Europe. It usually has to do with the harvests, the planting of crops or their gathering, and is observed in rural districts rather than in cities.” (American Council For Nationalities Service, 1974)

Again we see Christians adopting a day that honored another god from heathens and not from the Scriptures. Not only is Thanksgiving a day that honored another god, the day is connected to one of the greatest sins of American history; the killing and slaughter of the Wampanoag Indians.

**Origins Of Easter** – EASTER (es’ter). Ostara, or Eastre, was the goddess of Spring in the religion of the ancient Angles and Saxons. Every April a festival was celebrated in her honor. With the beginnings of Christianity, the old gods were put aside. From then on the festival was celebrated in honor of the resurrection of Christ, but was still known as Easter after the old goddess.” So if this is the case, then why do Christians celebrate “Easter”? Well, the truth is that the story goes back a long way – all the way back to the ancient Middle East. Perhaps you have heard of “Isis” or “Ishtar” or “Ashtoreth” or “Asherah”. They are ancient names for the same pagan fertility goddess. In fact, if you trace the various pagan fertility goddesses back far enough, they all trace back to Semiramis of ancient Babylon. Over time, “Ashtoreth” and “Asherah” became “Ishtar” which eventually became “Eastre” and then finally “Easter”. Some other names of “Easter” over the centuries included Aphrodite from ancient Cyprus, Astarte from ancient Greece, Demeter from Mycenae, Kali from India and Ostara, a Norse goddess of fertility. - *The Britannica Encyclopedia (1934)*

**The History of Halloween/Samhain/All Saints Day**

Most people know of October 31st as Halloween. But long before kids were dressing up as pirates and princesses, Halloween was called Samhain. Celebrated during the daylight hours of November 1st, Samhain (pronounced “Sow-ween”) is the Celtic festival honoring the dead and marking the end of summer.

The Festival of the Dead

The ancient Celtic people lived 2,000 years ago in what is today Ireland, the United Kingdom and northern France. They believed that during Samhain, the veil between this world and the spirit world was at its thinnest. Ghosts of the dead mingled amongst the living, while the souls of those who had died during the past year traveled on to the spirit world. Bonfires were lit to illuminate the journey to the otherworld and food was put out to feed the spirits before their long trip.

The End of the Harvest

Samhain also marked the end of the summer and the conclusion of the harvest. Crops were burned in sacrifice to honor the Celtic deities. The animals were also brought in from the fields, and many were slaughtered and smoked to feed the tribe throughout the long winter. To honor their animals, the Celtic people also dressed up in costumes, wearing animal skins and heads.

The Connection Between Samhain And All Saints Day

During the early centuries of the first millennium, the Catholic Church dispatched missionaries throughout Europe to convert the Celtic people. Rather than wiping out the strong Celtic traditions, the missionaries “converted” these rituals into sanctioned Catholic activities (see also the Origins of Easter).
Thus in the 7th century, the Church began celebrating All Saints Day on November 1st, to honor any saints who did not already have a day of their own. A special mass called Allhallowmas was said on All Saints Day for all those who were hallowed. The night before All Saints Day became known as All Hallows Eve.

At the turn of the 11th century, the Church made November 2nd All Souls Day, a day to honor dead ancestors. Like Samhain, All Souls Day was celebrated by building big bonfires and dressing up in costumes. Unlike the Celtic animal costumes, however, the Christians dressed up as saints, angels and devils to invoke the spirits of their ancestors.

Is Samhain still celebrated today?

Absolutely! Modern day Wiccans and Pagans continue to celebrate elaborate rituals to mark the end of summer and coming of the winter. – http://www.holidays.net/halloween/samhain.htm

Yet again we see these holidays originating from other sources and not the Scriptures. The Most High (nor Yeshua for that matter) never gave us any of these days to keep holy or honor. The days YAH gave and the Messiah kept can be found right in the book of Leviticus. These Seven Annual Feasts were kept by Israel, the patriarchs, the Messiah and His apostles, and will be kept worldwide in the coming Kingdom (see Isa. 66:2-3, Ezek. 45, Zech. 14:16-18). These days are:

The Feast of Unleavened Bread (Passover Week) [Chag ha-Matzot & Pesach] - Leviticus 23:5-9

Feast of First Fruits [also known as Feast of Weeks, Shavuot, or Pentecost] - Leviticus 23:15-21

Day of Trumpets [also known as Yom Teruah, Yom Shoferim, or Day of Shouting] - Leviticus 23:23-25

Day of Atonement [also known as Yom Kippur] - Leviticus 23:26-32

Feast of Tabernacles [Sukkot or Booths] and the Eighth Day [Shemini Atzeret] - Leviticus 23:33-36

These are the days the Most High gave, not Christmas, easter, Halloween, thanksgiving day, etc. Even in Judaic/Hebraic history you will find no mention of these days. The only holidays outside of Leviticus you will find is Purim, Chanukah and Rosh Hashanah; and even these days can be located in the Bible or extra biblical writings along with there origins (http://www.religionfacts.com/judaism/holidays.htm).

Christmas as well as the rest of the worldly holidays are days of worship for other gods!

“Yes, but I don’t honor other gods, I honor jesus when I keep these days. Yeah, maybe they were once bad but now I keep them in a Christian way.”

Does Scripture say it’s ok to use customs that once honored other gods as forms of worship toward the Most High? Let’s see what the Scriptures have to say. [For this reading we will be using “ISR The Scriptures” translation unless noted. YHWH will appear where you usually see “the LORD” or “God” in all caps in all other versions.]

Isaiah 5:20-25 Woe to those who call evil good and good evil, who put darkness for light and light for darkness, who put bitter for sweet and sweet for bitter! 21Woe to those
who are wise in their own eyes, and shrewd in their own sight! 22 Woe to those who are heroes at drinking wine, and valiant men in mixing strong drink, 23 who acquit the guilty for a bribe, and deprive the innocent of his right! 24 Therefore, as the tongue of fire devours the stubble, and as dry grass sinks down in the flame, so their root will be as rottenness, and their blossom go up like dust; for they have rejected the law of YHWH S'baot, and have despised the word of the Holy One of Israel. 25 Therefore the anger of YHWH was kindled against his people, and he stretched out his hand against them and struck them, and the mountains quaked; and their corpses were as refuse in the midst of the streets. For all this his anger has not turned away, and his hand is stretched out still.

Now, this verse says woe to those who take something bad or dark and try to make it good. But, let’s look at something more specific. Let’s look where the Most High specifically states not to use the customs of the nations as an example for worshipping Him.

Deu 12:1 “These are the laws and right-rulings which you guard to do in the land which Elohim of your fathers is giving you to possess, all the days that you live on the soil.

Deu 12:2 “Completely destroy all the places where the nations which you are dispossessing served their mighty ones, on the high mountains and on the hills and under every green tree.

Deu 12:3 “And you shall break down their altars, and smash their pillars, and burn their Ashĕrim with fire. And you shall cut down the carved images of their mighty ones and shall destroy their name out of that place.

Deu 12:4 “Do not so to Elohim your God.

Verse 12 in the CJB:

Deu 12:4 “But you are not to treat ADONAI your God this way.

We are told not to serve the Most High in the way the nations did with there gods. But let’s keep reading.

Deu 12:28 “Guard, and obey all these words which I command you, that it might be well with you and your children after you forever, when you do what is good and right in the eyes of Elohim your Elohim.

Deu 12:29 “When your Elohim does cut off from before you the nations which you go to dispossess, and you dispossess them and dwell in their land, Deu 12:30 guard yourself that you are not ensnared to follow them, after they are destroyed from before you, and that you do not inquire about their mighty ones, saying, ‘How did these nations serve their mighty ones? And let me do so too. Deu 12:31 “Do not do so to Elohim, for every abomination which Elohim hates they have done to their mighty ones, for they even burn their sons and daughters in the fire to their mighty ones.

Again, the Most High does not want us to serve Him in the fashion or with the practices of the nations. Their practices are an abomination to him. Let hit one more spot.

Deu 18:9 “When you come into the land which Elohim is giving you, do not learn to do according to the abominations of those gentiles.

We are not use the methods of worship for other gods as a form of worship for the Most High. That is a violation of Torah. How the Most High dealt with Yisrael is the blueprint for the whole world especially those who claim to follow Him.

YAH is not pleased with those who call something which He has determined to be evil and call it good. Only He can determine, sanction or make something or a day holy! We are not to transfer or change the practices of the nations into the worship of YHWH! We are going to take a trip into antiquity and see if the Most High is pleased with us taken something that was idolatrous and using it to honor Him. Remember Paul said…
1 Corinthians 10:5-12 Nevertheless, with most of them Elohim was not well-pleased; for they were laid low in the wilderness. 6 Now these things happened as examples for us, so that we would not crave evil things as they also craved. 7 Do not be idolaters, as some of them were; as it is written, "THE PEOPLE SAT DOWN TO EAT AND DRINK, AND STOOD UP TO PLAY." 8 Nor let us act immorally, as some of them did, and twenty-three thousand fell in one day. 9 Nor let us try YHWH, as some of them did, and were destroyed by the serpents. 10 Nor grumble, as some of them did, and were destroyed by the destroyer. 11 Now these things happened to them as an example, and they were written for our instruction, upon whom the ends of the ages have come. 12 Therefore let him who thinks he stands take heed that he does not fall.

Paul says all these historical events were recorded for the benefit of future generations as a warning and instructions on what to do and not do. Let’s go back to the book of Exodus to look at one such event.

Exodus 32:1-10 When the people saw that Moses delayed to come down from the mountain, the people gathered themselves together to Aaron and said to him, “Up, make us gods who shall go before us. As for this Moses, the man who brought us up out of the land of Egypt, we do not know what has become of him.” 2 So Aaron said to them, “Take off the rings of gold that are in the ears of your wives, your sons, and your daughters, and bring them to me.” 3 So all the people took off the rings of gold that were in their ears and brought them to Aaron. 4 And he received the gold from their hand and fashioned it with a graving tool and made a golden calf. Aaron (a spiritual leader 2nd in charge to Moses) makes an idol out of gold from the people resembling the ancient Egyptian god of fertility Apis. 1 Now watch what Aaron does.

...And they said, “These are your gods, O Israel, who brought you up out of the land of Egypt!” 5 When Aaron saw this, he built an altar before it. And Aaron made proclamation and said, “Tomorrow shall be a feast to YHWH.”

Look what Aaron said. He didn’t say this is a feast for the god Apis but instead declared this a celebration unto YAH. Although what was going on was wrong/evil in nature, Aaron took it and “so-called” made it good in honor of YAH. Sound familiar? Let’s continue.

6 And they rose up early the next day and offered burnt offerings and brought peace offerings. And the people sat down to eat and drink and rose up to play (1 Cor 10:7).

Look what took place; the people got up to have their festival (party/get-together/gathering) supposedly to honor YAH. This is the very events Paul was speaking on directly and called what was being done idolatry. But hold on, Aaron said this was a feast for YAH and not the god Apis. Paul still said this was idolatry, so what if they slapped the Most High’s name in the mix. Let’s see how YAH felt about this festival dedicated to Him.

7 And YHWH said to Moses, “Go down, for your people, whom you brought up out of the land of Egypt, have corrupted themselves. 8 They have turned aside quickly out of the way that I commanded them. They have made for themselves a golden calf and have

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1 Apis: Egyptian god of strength and fertility, known as sacred bull of Memphis

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worshiped it and sacrificed to it and said, ‘These are your gods, O Israel, who brought you up out of the land of Egypt!’” 9And YHWH said to Moses, “I have seen this people, and behold, it is a stiff-necked people. 10Now therefore let me alone, that my wrath may burn hot against them and I may consume them, in order that I may make a great nation of you.”

Let’s skip down a few verses.

Exodus 32:21-22 And Moses said to Aaron, “What did this people do to you that you have brought such a great sin upon them?” 22And Aaron said, “Let not the anger of my lord burn hot. You know the people, that they are set on evil.

Moses scolds Aaron and instead of Aaron taking responsibility he blamed the people. What you should also take away from this is, these leaders of these congregations would rather tickle people’s ears then give them the truth. Aaron could have easily put the people in their place by simple saying “thus says YAH” but instead he caters to the people. Don’t let these false teachers and prophet lead you into sin and ultimately the lake of fire.

2 Timothy 4:3-4 For the time will come when they will not endure sound doctrine; but wanting to have their ears tickled, they will accumulate for themselves teachers in accordance to their own desires, 4and will turn away their ears from the truth and will turn aside to myths.

Let’s pick back up in Exodus. Moses was angry and YAH was definitely not pleased. He got so angry look what He tells Moses to do.

Exodus 32:27-28 And he said to them, “Thus says YHWH Elohim of Israel, ‘Put your sword on your side each of you, and go to and fro from gate to gate throughout the camp, and each of you kill his brother and his companion and his neighbor.’” 28And the sons of Levi did according to the word of Moses. And that day about three thousand men of the people fell... 33But YHWH said to Moses, “Whoever has sinned against me, I will blot out of my book.

Actions like this will get your name blotted from the book life! Thousands of men fell this day because of their idolatry even though this was supposedly a feast dedicated to YHWH! Paul tells us to learn from this event so that we don’t repeat and do the same thing. Yet, today millions upon millions are doing this very thing today!

It is important that you realize exactly what Aaron and the children of Israel did. They took an object from Egypt, renamed and wrapped it in a new appearance by erecting an altar in front of it to YAH, and had celebrated a feast. Christmas is demonstrably a pagan (for lack of a better word) festival, as we saw earlier, that has been adapted into the Christian culture. The process of its inception has precisely paralleled that of the golden calf. Christmas along with the other holidays celebrated around the world are our modern day “golden calf!” Is Christmas or any of these holidays therefore any more acceptable to YAH than the feast the Israelites had around the golden calf? The Israelites and even Aaron could’ve been sincere (which I highly doubt) but their sincerity was of little meaning to YAH. The Most High required and demands pure worship in spirit and truth (John 4:23-24). Throughout the Scripture the Most High condemns these types of practices! Even the christmas tree was spoken against long before Yeshua (Christ) was even born.

OUR MODERN DAY GOLDEN CALF
Jeremiah 10:1 Hear the word which YHWH speaks to you, O house of Israel. 2 Thus says YHWH, "Do not learn the way of the nations, And do not be terrified by the signs of the heavens. Although the nations are terrified by them; 3 For the customs of the peoples are delusion; Because it is wood cut from the forest, The work of the hands of a craftsman with a cutting tool. 4 They decorate it with silver and with gold; They fasten it with nails and with hammers So that it will not totter. 5 Like a scarecrow in a cucumber field are they, And they cannot speak; They must be carried, Because they cannot walk! Do not fear them, For they can do no harm, Nor can they do any good… 8 But they are altogether stupid and foolish In their discipline of delusion--their idol is wood!

“What about the kids and family?”

What about them? Many don’t realize YHWH calls us to choose between following the path and following our friends and family!

Matthew 10:34-39 "Do not think that I came to bring peace on the earth; I did not come to bring peace, but a sword. 35 For I came to SET A MAN AGAINST HIS FATHER, AND A DAUGHTER AGAINST HER MOTHER, AND A DAUGHTER-IN-LAW AGAINST HER MOTHER-IN-LAW; 36 and A MAN’S ENEMIES WILL BE THE MEMBERS OF HIS HOUSEHOLD. 37 He who loves father or mother more than Me is not worthy of Me; and he who loves son or daughter more than Me is not worthy of Me. 38 And he who does not take his cross and follow after Me is not worthy of Me. 39 He who has found his life will lose it, and he who has lost his life for My sake will find it.

Yeshua is not interested in family ties when it comes to the truth! He makes it clear that only those who are on this walk for truth are our real family and not blood relatives.

Matthew 12:47-51 Someone said to Him, “Behold, Your mother and Your brothers are standing outside seeking to speak to You.” 48 But Yeshua answered the one who was telling Him and said, “Who is My mother and who are My brothers?” 49 And stretching out His hand toward His disciples, He said, "Behold My mother and My brothers! 50 For whoever does the will of My Father who is in heaven, he is My brother and sister and mother."

Contrary to popular belief, Yeshua didn’t come to bring peace but division. This division will come because many people who choose not to follow the Most High will be in conflict with those who do; even the very members of their household.

Luke 14:26 “If anyone comes to me and does not hate his father, his mother, his wife, his children, his brothers and his sisters, yes, and his own life besides, he cannot be my talmid (disciple).

A person cannot let his or her family cause them to err! This is unacceptable to YHWH. What Yeshua taught and said on this matter is not new. He is giving us what the Torah has already stated.

Deuteronomy 13:6-10 "If your brother, the son of your mother, or your son or your daughter or the wife you embrace or your friend who is as your own soul entices you secretly, saying, 'Let us go and serve other gods,' which neither you nor your fathers have known, 7 some of the gods of the peoples who are around you, whether near you or far off from you, from the one end of the earth to the other, 8 you shall not yield to him or listen to him, nor shall your eye pity him, nor shall you spare him, nor shall you conceal him. 9 But you shall kill him. Your hand shall be first against him to put him to death, and afterward the hand of all the people. 10 You shall stone him to death with stones, because he sought to draw you away from YHWH your Elohim, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery.

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YHWH is so serious about this, he tells the Israelites that the one, not matter if they are family, causing you to participate in idolatry you were to be the first one to put them to death. Yes, it’s that serious to YHWH. We as believers, Nazarenes, have no business participating in these days, not even for the kids, parents, spouses, friends, NO ONE!

2 Corinthians 6:14-15 Do not be unequally yoked with unbelievers. For what partnership has righteousness with lawlessness? Or what fellowship has light with darkness? 15 What accord has Messiah with Belial? Or what portion does a believer share with an unbeliever?

Ephesians 5:11 Do not participate in the unfruitful deeds of darkness, but instead even expose them;

You can’t partake of the Most High’s feast and also go and partake of the nation’s idolatrous feast as well!

1 Corinthians 10:20-22 No, I imply that what pagans sacrifice they offer to demons and not to Elohim. I do not want you to be participants with demons. 21 You cannot drink the cup of the Master and the cup of demons. You cannot partake of the table of the Master and the table of demons. 22 Shall we provoke YHWH to jealousy? Are we stronger than he?

“Well, If it’s so wrong, why does everybody celebrate it, both Christians and non-christians?”

Ok, if the crowd commits suicide are you going to commit suicide with them? Popularity does not determine truth! Plus the fact that everyone loves Christmas including non-believers should tell you something is wrong.

Exodus 23:2 states: Do not follow the crowd when it does what is wrong; and don’t allow the popular view to sway you… (CJB)

It is a biblical law not to do wrong just because the crowd is doing it or because it is the popular view! There are several instances in the Scriptures where the multitude was wrong. The narrow road is the way of TRUTH, not the broad and popular road!

Mat 7:13-23 “Enter by the narrow gate. For the gate is wide and the way is easy that leads to destruction, and those who enter by it are many. 14 For the gate is narrow and the way is hard that leads to life, and those who find it are few… 21 “Not everyone who says to me, ‘Lord, Lord,’ will enter the kingdom of heaven, but the one who does the will of my Father who is in heaven. 22 On that day many will say to me, ‘Lord, Lord, did we not prophesy in your name, and cast out demons in your name, and do many mighty works in your name?’ 23 And then will I declare to them, ‘I never knew you; depart from me, you workers of lawlessness.’

Luke 13:23-27 And someone said to him, ”Lord, will those who are saved be few?” And he said to them, 24 “Strive to enter through the narrow door. For many, I tell you, will seek to enter and will not be able. 25 When once the master of the house has risen and shut the door, and you begin to stand outside and to knock at the door, saying, ‘Lord, open to us,’ then he will answer you, ‘I do not know where you come from.’ 26 Then you will begin to say, ‘We ate and drank in your presence, and you taught in our streets.’ 27 But he will say, ‘I tell you, I do not know where you come from. Depart from me, all you workers of evil!’

“I was raised keeping easter, christmas, etc.; its tradition.”

What does Yeshua (Jesus) say about following the traditions of men that cause you to break YAH’s commandments?
Mark 7:6-13 And he said to them, “Well did Isaiah prophesy of you hypocrites, as it is written, ‘This people honors me with their lips, but their heart is far from me; 7 in vain do they worship me, teaching as doctrines the commandments of men.’ 8 You leave the commandment of Elohim and hold to the tradition of men! 9 And he said to them, “You have a fine way of rejecting the commandment of Elohim in order to establish your tradition! 10 For Moses said, ‘Honor your father and your mother; and, ‘Whoever reviles father or mother must surely die.’ 11 But you say, ‘If a man tells his father or his mother, “Whatever you would have gained from me is Corban” (that is, given to Elohim)— then you no longer permit him to do anything for his father or mother, 12 thus making void the word of Elohim by your tradition that you have handed down. And many such things you do.”

A cross reference of this same encounter is recorded in Mat 15:3-14. Watch what Yeshua (Jesus) says happens to those who place tradition that are in opposition to the commandments and teachings of the Most High.

Mat 15:12 Then the disciples came and said to him, “Do you know that the Pharisees were offended when they heard this saying?” 13 He answered, “Every plant that my heavenly Father has not planted will be rooted up. 14 Let them alone; they are blind guides. And if the blind lead the blind, both will fall into a pit.”

Now, let me clear up something. Not all traditions, customs, practices, etc. are evil, but only those which cause you to break the Torah by committing idolatry or violating any other commandment.

Again, the Most High said not to learn the ways of the heathens!

Jeremiah 10:2 Thus saith YHWH, Learn not the way of the heathen, and be not dismayed at the signs of heaven; for the heathen are dismayed at them. (KJV)

“Well my pastor said its ok.”

People often let their pastors and teachers dictate their beliefs instead of them studying for themselves. Don’t let these men lead you to destruction.

Acts 5:29 But Peter and the apostles answered, "We must obey Elohim rather than men. Leaders will lead you to destructions!

Exodus 32:21-22 And Moses said to Aaron, "What did this people do to you that you have brought such a great sin upon them?" 22 And Aaron said, "Let not the anger of my lord burn hot. You know the people, that they are set on evil.

Isaiah 9:16 For the leaders of this people cause them to err; and they that are led of them are destroyed.

Matthew 15:14 "Let them alone; they are blind guides of the blind And if a blind man guides a blind man, both will fall into a pit."

Where do you find the commandment to keep these holidays or even the name of them in the bible? NOWHERE! Christmas, Easter, Thanksgiving Day, Valentine’s Day, Halloween, etc! You will only find one of these days mentioned in the Bible and that’s in the King James Bible only. And that’s a mistranslation that should read Passover!

We must ask ourselves, if no one knows Christ birthday where did Dec 25th come from? All these days are of evil origin and not of the Most High.
Galatians 4:8-11 Formerly, when you did not know Elohim, you were enslaved to those that by nature are not gods. Be known by Elohim, how can you turn back again to the weak and worthless elementary principles of the world, whose slaves you want to be once more? You observe days and months and seasons and years! I am afraid I may have labored over you in vain.

How can you as a believer in YAH go back to these worthless holidays after knowing the truth? There is no excuse acceptable to YAH for keeping these days, months and seasons and years you once kept in the world. A choice must be made, either you are going to serve YAH in spirit and truth or serve these idols by way of their rituals and holidays.

1 Kings 18:21 Elijah came near to all the people and said, "How long will you hesitate between two opinions? If YHWH is Elohim, follow Him; but if Baal, follow him." But the people did not answer him a word.

Deuteronomy 30:18-20 I declare to you today, that you shall surely perish. You shall not live long in the land that you are going over the Jordan to enter and possess. I call heaven and earth to witness against you today, that I have set before you life and death, blessing and curse. Therefore choose life, that you and your offspring may live, loving YHWH your Elohim, obeying his voice and holding fast to him, for he is your life and length of days, that you may dwell in the land that YHWH swore to your fathers, to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob, to give them."

Revelation 3:15-16 "'I know your works: you are neither cold nor hot. Would that you were either cold or hot! So, because you are lukewarm, and neither hot nor cold, I will spit you out of my mouth.

Yeshua said those who are lukewarm he will spit them out of his mouth.

2 Peter 2:20-23 For if, after they have escaped the defilements of the world through the knowledge of our Lord and Savior Yeshua Messiah, they are again entangled in them and overcome, the last state has become worse for them than the first. For it would have been better for them never to have known the way of righteousness than after knowing it to turn back from the holy commandment delivered to them. What the true proverb says has happened to them: The dog returns to its own vomit, and the sow, after washing herself, returns to wallow in the mire.

Leave the idolatry alone people!

“Let us hear the conclusion of the entire matter: fear Elohim (God) and guard his commands, for this applies to all mankind! For Elohim shall bring every work into right-ruling, including all that is hidden, whether good or whether evil” - Eccl 12:13-14

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