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## Weeping for Tammuz

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*Then said he unto me, Son of man, hast thou seen what the ancients of the house of Israel do in the dark, every man in the chambers of his imagery? for they say, the LORD seeth us not; the LORD hath forsaken the earth.*

*He said also unto me, Turn thee yet again, and thou shalt see greater abominations that they do.*

*Then he brought me to the door of the gate of the LORD's house which was toward the north; and, behold, there sat women weeping for Tammuz.*

– Ezekiel 8:12-14

There are lots of abominations taking place in *our* country *today*.

We don't have to look back at ancient Israel to understand what abominations are – but it does help.

It helps because that's where God defined abominations – the things that repulse Him and, therefore, repulse us as individuals and as nations, from Him.

Today, in America, the sins defined by God in the Bible are of little concern to anyone.

That's why four California Supreme Court justices can declare same-sex marriage is a constitutional right.

That's why government schools can prohibit Bible reading and prayer.

That's why public profanity hardly raises an eyebrow any more.

That's why killing unwanted babies before they are born is considered a matter of personal "choice" and a practice that is subsidized by government funding.

While the actual sins enumerated by God in the Bible are considered passé, there are new "sins" being chiseled into the tablets of our modern legal code by the zealots of a neo-pagan religion that is overshadowing America's Judeo-Christian heritage and culture.

Just as Ezekiel witnessed so many centuries ago, Americans today worship the creation rather than the Creator. They demand sacrifices at the altar of "global warming." They lose their inhibitions and frolic in the groves. They look to the sun and the moon and stars for meaning and signs.

As in the days of Ezekiel, they are "weeping for Tammuz."

What does that mean? Who was Tammuz? And why do I say Americans are weeping for him?

Does the name Nimrod mean anything to you?

When I was a kid, it was a common name of derision. That guy's a Nimrod. I don't know exactly what that was supposed to mean. I know it wasn't anything good. But I can tell you there are a lot of Nimrods around today.

Nimrod was one of Noah's great-grandsons. He was in rebellion against the God of the universe. It didn't take long after the worldwide flood for rebellion to begin again. Nimrod was the arch-rebel – and a very important biblical figure for us to understand today.

Even his name means "to rebel."

We first learn about him in Genesis 10:8. Nimrod was the leader of the rebellion that prompted the building of the Tower of Babel. Standing hundreds of feet high, the tower was built so that Nimrod and his priest could worship the sun, the moon and the stars.

What happens when you worship the sun, the moon and the stars instead of the One True God of the Universe?

You open yourself up to the deception of the power of the air – Satan and his demons.

I think that's exactly what happened to Nimrod.

In effect, Nimrod and his wife, Semiramis, followed the same path as Adam and Eve – believing Lucifer that they could become gods or like gods themselves, that the One True God that Nimrod's great-grandfather Noah worshipped was withholding the key to truth from them.

Before too long, Nimrod and Semiramis were requiring their subjects to worship them. And what we have with Nimrod and Semiramis is the beginning of all the false pagan religion systems that have followed and that are still with us today.

God saw how successful the Nimrod perversion had become, so it was at that time, we read in Genesis 11, He confused the one common language of the human race. The word Babel actually means "confusion."

We know more about Nimrod and Semiramis than the Bible alone reveals. Babylonian history shows us this couple gave themselves other god names – some of which will be very familiar to you.

Nimrod became known as Kronos, Bel and Baal. Nimrod died at the age of 40 from a hunting accident. He was gored to death by a wild boar. That seems odd to me for a god, but not to the Babylonians. After Nimrod's death, Semiramis elevated the worship of her husband as the sun god, asserting that he had ascended into heaven and would supernaturally impregnate her.

Naturally, as you might imagine, she gave birth to a son, whom she named Tammuz. He became known as the son of the sun god and the reincarnation of his father.

After Nimrod's death, his subjects wept bitterly for him and soon began to worship his son Tammuz. A new tradition began in which each year all the people would weep for 40 days for Nimrod – one day for each year of his life. Later, when Tammuz became the focus of worship, followers began weeping for him.

That's what Ezekiel was talking about. In Israel, at the time of Ezekiel, many were "weeping for Tammuz."

God does not countenance when His people embrace the ways of pagans and sun worshippers and idolaters.

I have news for you: There are lots of Americans practicing similar forms of pagan rituals today. They are *still* weeping for Tammuz.

Make no mistake about it; neo-paganism is the official religion of the USA in 2008. It is the one taught in every public school in American today when they teach evolution. It is the one preached in most of the news media when you hear about man-made catastrophic global warming. It is the one you watch on television and in movies that instructs you to lose your inhibitions and do your own thing.

Christianity is not the dominant religion of our time.

Islam is not the dominant religion of our time.

Humanism is the dominant religion of our time. And humanism is a form of paganism. It is the man-centered religion. It is the religion of nature worship. It is the religion that denies an all-powerful, all-mighty, all-knowing God. It is a descendant of the first false religion founded by those who built the Tower of Babel.

There's nothing new under the sun. And there's nothing new about people who worship the sun and the moon and the stars.

Lots of people are still weeping for Tammuz.