TEMPLE OF BAAL

The purpose of this article is found in Judges 10: 6 - 7, "Then the children of Israel again did evil in the sight of the Lord, and served the Baals and the Ashtoreth, the gods of Syria, the gods of Sidon, the gods of Moab, the gods of the people of Ammon, and the gods of the Philistines; and they forsook the Lord and did not serve Him. So the anger of the Lord was hot against Israel; and He sold them into the hands of the Philistines and into the hands of the people of Ammon."

Notice, Rev 8, verses 4 and 5,"And I heard another voice from heaven saying, "Come out of her, My people, lest you share in her sins, and lest you receive of her plagues. For her sins have reached to heaven, and God has remembered her iniquities" (Rev 8:4-5).

I don't know if you have heard of the 'Temple of Baal' monument that *was to be erected* in New York City and another one was to be erected in London. News reporters tells us, that the object to this monument is to promote worshiping "a false god." They said visitors to Times Square in New York or Trafalgar Square in London would be in for a culture shock when they will see a life-size reproduction of the Temple of Baal. Needless to say, the exhibition would have been a symbol of paganism, child sacrifice, and ritual prostitution that is well-known to readers of the Bible, so it has raised concerns. The display, was to be a part of World Heritage week. The organizers are from the Institute of Digital Archaeology. They are making a statement of "defiance" against ISIS, the Islamic terror group, that destroyed the Temple of Baal in Palmyra, Syria, in August 2015.

The original structure, was dedicated to the god bel, or baal, in A.D. 32, approximately before the time of our Lord Jesus the Christ's crucifixion in 33 A.D. It stood nearly 2,000 years before ISIS leveled the site, along with many other ancient structures! Prior to the current war in Syria, these ancient site had over 150,000 visitors a year.

Using a database of thousands of images, the Institute for Digital Archaeology, is creating a full--sized, 50-foot tall, 3d- printed replica of the entrance Archway to the Temple of Baal. The work is being done in China. Only the replica of the archway **was** going to be displayed. [As of now it has been cancelled in New York!]

We know the Bible's Old Testament frequently condemns the worship of false idols. Baal which means "lord," is found written 63 times in the Old Testament and once in the New Testament, and Baal is most often singled out.

Baal worship, was common in God's biblical world. It spread across the Mediterranean, and becoming dominant in North Africa, where archaeologists have excavated an extensive cemetery with remains of offered sacrificed children.

The name of the famous leader, Hannibal, is made up in part of the name "baal." We can find out what we've been missing by acquiring a book called "Shocked by the Bible: the most astonishing facts you've never been told," authored by Joel Richardson. His readers are introduced to the shocking idea of a pagan temple being erected in Times Square, said "Most non-religious Americans" don't understand who baal was, nor do they really care. But the truth is many of the elements of ancient baal worship are being mirrored in our 2020 society today. Joel Richardson continues to say, "So considering the child sacrifice and sexual immorality that we are engaged in today, perhaps it is only natural for us to have a Temple of Baal in Times Square!

In a 2008 article, World Net Daily columnist Matt Barber, explained some of the elements of baal worship. "The principal pillars of Baalism were child sacrifice, sexual Immorality both heterosexual and homosexual and pantheism, Meaning reverence of creation over the Creator. He continued, "adults would gather around the altar of baal. Infants would then be burned alive as a sacrificial offering to the deity. Amid horrific screams and the stench of charred human flesh, the congregants men and women alike would engage in bisexual orgies. The ritual of convenience was intended to produce economic prosperity by prompting baal to bring rain

for the fertility of "mother earth." "The natural consequences of such behavior – pregnancy and childbirth – and the associated financial burdens of "unplanned parenthood" were easily offset. One could either choose to engage in homosexual conduct or with child sacrifice available on demand – could simply take part in another fertility ceremony to 'terminate' the unwanted child." End of quote

Geoffrey Grider, writing in "Now the End Begins," said, "Bringing the temple of baal to New York City was quite fitting. We have become a nation that does not want God, does not want His book, and most importantly has locked His Son Jesus Christ outside the doors of the professing Christian Church." End of his thoughts.

The house of Israel have become greedy, self- centered, and powerless wanderers, not realizing that the judgement of God has already started falling down upon us. Notice 1 Thess 5: 3, "For when they shall say, peace and safety; then sudden destruction cometh upon them, as travail upon a woman with child; And they shall not escape." Many religious teachers are saying that recreating the Temple of Baal in New York and London would 'open a portal' to sinister forces.

It seems pretty clear for the last 12 years as a nation, the United States has begged God to leave us alone and to remove Himself from our affairs. I believe he has done just that!" God said, you deny Me – I will deny you with curses that are seen in Lev 26 and Deut 28!!

"Modern liberalism deviates little from its ancient predecessors. The worship of "fertility" has been replaced with worship of "reproductive freedom" or "choice." Child sacrifice – via burnt offering has been updated, ever so slightly, to become child sacrifice by way of **abortion.**

The ritualistic promotion, practice and celebration of both heterosexual and homosexual immorality and promiscuity have been carefully white washed. Yet, wholeheartedly embraced by the cults of radical feminism, militant "Gay rights" and "Comprehensive sex education" along with the pagan worship of "mother earth" and has been substituted – in name only for radical environmentalism."

April the 19, 2016, was the date that the Temple of Baal in New York was scheduled to be on display. April the 19th is a significant day! It turns out that the exact day when reproductions of this baal archway that stood in front of the Temple of Baal was going to be erected in Times Square in New York City and in Trafalgar Square in London is also the exact day when a very important occult festival related to the worship of baal begins. April 19th is the first day of a 13 day period of time known as "the blood sacrifice to the beast" that culminates on the high occult holy day of Beltane on May 1st.

In some parts of the world, Beltane is much better known as "May Day." It has been described as the "Illuminati's second most sacred holiday." The origin of Beltane can be traced all the way back to the worship of baal in the ancient Middle East. As a side note, we might note here, this is the same 13 day occult period of time that the Jews and some Churches of God kept their Passover and Days of Unleavened Bread, this intercalated year 2016!

Beltane begins April 30th at sundown and lasts until sunrise on May 1st. Beltane is the opposite of Halloween on the satanic calendar. Halloween is a time of reaping, while Beltane is a time of rebirth. This holiday is a time to celebrate fertility, indulgence, the rebirth of spring, and the Sumerian god (Baal). This is where the name "Beltane" originates. Beltane celebrations were celebrated in the nude and without shame. Celebrants would dance around the maypole which stood as a erect sexual symbol. Couples would pair up, jump through a bonfire, after having sex in the woods all night, April 19th is also known as "the feast of Moloch."

If you are not familiar with "Moloch" or "Molech", Open your Bible to Lev 20. We already read Judges 10: 6 and 7. "Again, you shall say to the children of Israel: 'whoever of the Children of Israel, or of the strangers who dwell in Israel, who gives any of his descendants to Molech, he shall surely be put to death. The people of the land shall stone him with stones. I will set My face against that man, and will cut him off from His people, because he has given some of his descendants to Molech, to defile My sanctuary and profane My holy name. And if the people of the land should in any way hide their eyes from the man, when he gives some of his descendants to Molech, and they do not kill him, then I will set My face against that man and against his family; And I will cut him off from his people, and all who prostitute themselves with him to commit harlotry with Molech. And the person who turns to mediums and familiar spirits, to prostitute himself with them, I will set

My face against that person and cut him off from his people. Consecrate yourselves therefore, and be holy, for I am the Lord your God. (Lev 20:2-6 NKJV). Moloch is an ancient Canaanite god that is repeatedly denounced in the Old Testament. Child sacrifice was a key feature of the worship of Moloch. A giant statue of this pagan deity is set up at the Bohemian Grove in Northern California every year.

Is it just a coincidence that reproduction of the archway that stood in front of the temple of Baal in Palmyra, Syria that was to be displayed in New York and London on the precise day when the feast of Moloch is celebrated and when the blood sacrifice to the beast begins?

The organization in charge of this "Cultural project" writes in their web sight the following paragraph, "In cities both inside and outside the Middle East the idea seeks to provide an optimistic and constructive response to the ongoing threats to history and heritage that have captured headlines over the past year. Our aim is to highlight the potential for the triumph of human ingenuity over violence by offering innovative, technology driven options for the stewardship of objects and Architecture from our shared past."

Are we to believe that April 19th – May the first was chosen at random? Is it just some sort of weird "accident" that the date they decided on begins a 13 day period of time which is exceedingly significant for the worship of Baal?..... "April 19 to May1, is blood sacrifice to the beast, a most critical 13-day period. Fire sacrifice is required on April 19. April 19th is the first day of the 13-day Satanic ritual day that relates to fire. This day is a major human sacrifice day, demanding fire sacrifice with an emphasis on children. This day is one of the most important human sacrifice days, and as such, has had some very important historic events occur on this day."

And, as mentioned before, we have witnessed some very note worthy "blood sacrifices" during the second half of the month of April over the past few decades.

The following list of events have happened on or around April 19th, the latter half of the month April. (1.) April 19, 1993– Waco Texas massacre: an FBI assault lead to the burning down of the compound of a sect named Branch Davidians, killing 76 men, women and children. (2.) April 19, 1995– Oklahoma city bombing, 168 people killed. (3.) April 20, 1999– Columbine High School massacre, 13 people murdered, 21 injured. (4.) April 16, 2007– Virginia Tech massacre. 32 killed; 17 injured. (5.) April 16, 2013– Boston Marathon explosions, 3 killed; 107 injured. (6.) In addition, let s not forget that Boston terrorist Tamerlan that was shot and ran over by his brother on April 19th.

This 13 day period which begins on April 19th, culminates with the high occult holy day of Beltane that is on May 1st. In recent years, this occult holiday has experienced a tremendous resurgence especially in Europe. The worship of Baal can be traced all the way back to an ancient King of Babylon, that is known in the Bible as Nimrod.

He established the very first "New World Order" in the ancient world, and he fundamentally changed the course of human history. After he died, this ancient king of Babylon eventually came to be worshipped as a sun god, under a whole host of different names: Marduk, Osiris, Apollo, etc. Many secret societies and occult groups believe that someday this ancient deity will be "resurrected" and will once again take his place as the ruler of the world. Many Christians scholars are entirely convinced that there is some sort of connection between the ancient figure of Nimrod and the coming antichrist.

Is it just a coincidence that we were going to erecting arches for this ancient deity in New York and London on a date that is exceedingly significant for those that worship this ancient deity? Could it be possible that there is more to these arch "gateways" that were to be constructed than we are being told? Could it be possible that we are laying out giant "Welcome signs" for the anti-christ?

We have entered a period of time known in the Bible as "the last days." If you think what have just been said is a bit strange, well the truth is, we haven't seen anything yet. From this point forward, things are going to get much, much stranger. Ultimately, the world that we live in is going to come to resemble something out of a post-apocalyptic science fiction novel.

Our world is rapidly changing, and those changes will soon become extremely dramatic. This Archway Temple of Baal we have been talking about was coming to New York and will be followed by hundreds more. The reproductions of this 50 foot archway that stood at the Temple of Baal in Palmyra, Syria will only be the first

of many. It turns out that there are plans to put arches in hundreds of more cities all over the globe.

The organization behind this joint venture is Harvard University, the University of Oxford, Dubai's Museum of the Future and part of UNESCO's World Heritage week. Ultimately the plan is to share this cultural pagan image with as many cities around the planet as possible.

The New York Post said, that the Institute for Digital Archaeology, ultimately hopes to put 1,000 of these arches in cities all over the globe. This is an extremely disturbing development. Baal worship is definitely not something that we should be celebrating as a society. There are many very good reasons why the God of the Bible found it so incredibly repulsive. We know God's instruction book tells us, that a lot of people gathered, often on a high hill (like a theater or stadium) to observe public sex, just like we see in movies and on television and on the Internet. God"s word says, "And it came to pass on the morrow, that Balak took Balaam, and brought him up into the high places of Baal, that there he might see the **utmost part of the people**" (Num 22:41). Society think that watching these things is different than the idolatry of old, but that is not so. The whole community came out and all of the pagan ideas for success in fertility were promoted. The wicked personalities were respected and given the platform like rock stars and the Hollywood's elite.

Today, people who go to main stream churches celebrate celebrities when they should be doing the opposite. Today's music in these churches are like a rock concert! Notice what David says in Psalm 1:1, 3, "I will sing of mercy and judgment: unto Thee, O Lord, will I sing. Vs.3, I will set no wicked thing before mine eyes." David clearly recognized Baal worship. He seen people dancing around the Asherah pole, the May Day pole, which was nothing more than male sex organ symbol. It is quite possible that these poles functioned somewhat like the poles in what are called, gentlemen s clubs today! Where people act out lustful, indecent, smutty, dirty-minded scenes, for the enjoyment of all who came!

Read in your Bible Isaiah 57: 7 - 8; "On a lofty and high mountain you have set your bed; even there you went up to offer sacrifice. Also behind the doors and their posts you have set up your remembrance; for you have uncovered yourself to those other than Me, and have gone up to them; you have enlarged your bed and made a covenant with them; you have loved their bed, where you saw their nudity" (NKJV). And in Deu. 23, "There shall be no ritual harlot of the daughters of Israel, or a perverted one of the sons of Israel" (Deu 23:17 NKJV).

They had all the different kinds of sexual experiences on display including men with women, men with men, women with women and all of the combinations that are popular in today sit- coms, movies and news reports. On top of that, they invited the crowd to participate. "Now Judah did evil in the sight of the Lord, and they provoked Him to jealousy with their sins which they committed, more than all that their fathers had done. For they also built for themselves high places, sacred pillars, and wooden images on every high hill and under every green tree. And there were also perverted persons in the land. They did according to all the abominations of the nations which the Lord had cast out before the children of Israel" (I kings 14: 22-24).

In addition to everything that we just read, child sacrifice was a central feature of Baal worship. Jeremiah 19: writes, "Because they have forsaken Me, and have estranged this place, and have burned incense in it unto other gods, whom neither they nor their fathers have known, nor the kings of Judah, and have filled this place with the blood of innocents; they have built also the high places of Baal, to burn their sons with fire for burnt offerings unto Baal, which I commanded not, nor spake it, neither came it into My mind: Therefore, behold, the days come, saith the Lord, that this place shall no more be called Tophet, nor the valley of the son of Hinnom, but the valley of slaughter" (Jer 19: 4-6).

We like to think that we are so much more advanced than people back then, but are we really? Just like ancient Baal worshippers, we are a society that is addicted to watching other people have sex. In fact, it has been estimated that 68 percent of all Christian men watch pornography on a regular basis. And just like ancient Baal worshippers, we are a society that is engaged in child sacrifice. We call it abortion! But the motives are still the same. If an unplanned or unwanted pregnancy comes along, we have a mechanism for getting rid of it, just like they did.

Since Roe v. Wade was decided in 1973, we have slaughtered more than 60 million of our own children. We would venture to say that the ancient Baal worshippers never got quite that much blood on their own hands. On one level, it's quite ironic that a reproduction of part of the Temple of Baal was going up in Times

Square, New York. David Wilkerson who died a few years back once preached a message entitled "**Tearing Down the Altars of Baal"** at "Times Square Church," in New York. And now we read of a monument to Baal was actually going to be erected in Times Square New York. Many people regard America as modern day Babylon. And we were going to have a monument that directly links us to ancient Babylon right in the heart of our most important city.

Thankfully, the prayers of many Christians were heard and they will no longer put up this pagan idol in New York and London! To me, this is one of the most important news stories of 2016!

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