

Love is Never Having to Say I lied:

The Truth of Valentine's Day

There is not one stipulation in the entirety of The Holy Scriptures (KJV 1611) to suggest that we should be observing such a perverse day as this one. So, why do we observe it? For all the wrong reasons, of course. The one principle that really stands out, however, is the commercial use of love! I once heard that 'love is a four-letter word that deceives' and it seems that deception rests in the 'bosom of fools' that observe this day [I John 2:15].



PAGAN CUSTOMS

This is a day that genders deception, lies, fear, doubt, insecurities and hate, which are the agents of sin! There can be no true love without the knowledge of God in the land [Hosea 4:1-2], which is the keeping of his laws. The Holy Scriptures admonish us concerning the perverse practices of these pagan nations [Jeremiah 10:1-2], whose customs have found their way into our times [II Thessalonians 2:7; Ecclesiastes 1:9-10].

VALENTINE'S DAY'S PAST

Valentines Day actually dates back to the period of the Chushite/Sorcerer King, Nimrod [Genesis 10: 8-11], whose name signifies rebellion! The origins of the many customs concerning this day as well as the other pagan holidays such as Christmas, Easter, and Halloween are within this period and with time were adopted into the customs of the Greeks, Romans and The Catholic Church! The Roman Lupercus, a hunter of wolves, was idolized as a hero who in essence was Nimrod the mighty hunter, also a hero of his time. In honor of Lupercus, a festival called "Lupercalia" was instituted on February 14 at midnight, where the festivities involved all forms of sexual debauchery, and lewd acts of fornication [Romans 1:21-31].



“As the Father hath loved me, so have I loved you: continue ye in my love. 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.” John 15:9-10

February 14th also correlates with the winter solstice, which occurred on January 6, which is said to be the birth of Baal or the sun god (Nimrod) of the ancient pagans. December 25, which we now call Christmas, was therefore instituted/celebrated in commemoration of his birth! It was the custom of antiquity for the mother of a male child to present herself for purification on the fortieth day after January 6 - Nimrod’s original birthday, which puts it at the evening of February 14, the Lupercalia or St. Valentine’s Day. The Greeks called Lupercus “Pan” who was the god of lust and fornication [Psalms 96:5]. The Holy Scriptures identify Pan as “Baal” which is another moniker for Nimrod, or to better put it, Satan incarnate! But, no matter the name/title, the “spirit” is consistent within the nature of the practice/principle, and this, in it’s very essence, is why history does not change! Baal in Hebrew means *Lord*, which

equates to “mighty hunter.” In addition, anyone who was considered a hero-god was labeled Sanctus, meaning *Saint*! It is interesting to note that the word for “heart” in the Babylonian tongue is “Bal” which signifies *Lord*, but when viewing the Hebrew word “Babal” which means confusion, we begin to see the spirit operating behind this day: “the lord of the confused hearts”! Is this not indicative of every attitude and relationship on the planet? So where is the love? The little leprous (pale) Gerber baby who is known as “Cupid” meaning *desire* or I should say, lust, was known to the ancient Greeks as Eros who was responsible for impregnating goddesses and mortals. The arrow, which he shoots into his “victims” rear ends, is a sublime action of sadomasochism: pain-producing pleasure! Valentine’s Day cultivates and perpetuates the concupiscence, that is, the illicit desires in men and especially women leading them to the futility of his or her wretched demise [Revelations 21:8]. So do you still want to be someone’s Valentine? There was such an individual as Saint Valentine. He was an Hebrew-Israelite and continued righteous acts of truth from prison by writing letters of divine inspiration [II Peter 1:20-21] to the weak, feebleminded, and sick as did also his predecessors before him [II Corinthians 7:8, 10:9-10; Hebrews 13:22-25]. His letters would end by saying, “from your dearest Valentine.” As you come to understand history, more than half, if not all, has been

greatly distorted [Job 13:4; Job 9:24].

GOD'S DEMANDS



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So, I ask, what is love? Or have you ever wondered why you need to be loved? It definitely cannot be personified by the perverse antics of Valentine's Day, for there is no such custom that we should observe under the commandments of God. The root of love lies within the heart of understanding, which is the principle function of the "heart" which houses the spirit! *Ahab* is the Hebrew word for love and it is defined as: "to be in love, is to be in one accord with God in Christ Jesus [I John 4:16]. Love is the law of light which is protective, virtuous, not prone to hurt, not confusing, caring, gentle, strong, upright, not a respecter of persons, corrective, obedient, and not subject to sin [Psalms 19:7-10]. This is how we are able to recognize, receive, and be loved by our Heavenly Father! We can't begin to give or possess the qualities of love if we are not willing to acknowledge the divine functions of it, as prescribed by God's divine laws. The sole basis

for our existence is to fulfill the law of love [Matthew 22:36-40; Romans 13:10], and by doing so, we are obedient and under authority to the "Word" of life. Jesus Christ exalted this principle through his obedience, undivided attention, and his willingness to please the Heavenly Father, rather than men! This is the love which man and woman so desperately need to aspire to, this is how we become liberated from the wiles of Satan, who is the prince of this world [James 4:4; I John 2:15-16]; whose inventions such as Valentine's Day nurture "bitter" and not "better" hearts! Remember love is conditional [John 15:9-10]: solid, unchanging, stable, rooted, not governed by emotions, as opposed to unconditional love which is emotional, unstable, selfish, confusing, insecure, spiteful, resentful and hateful as taught by the precepts of men [Colossians 2:8; James 4:4]. We must understand that when we consecrate ourselves to the Lord, which serves as an action of true love, this will enable us to discern what is love and what isn't, then the devices of the world can no longer coerce us into temporal spats of days, moments, and periods of emotionality.

SO NOW WE KNOW...

Our affections, desires, and feelings through over-blown emotions have betrayed us, taking advantage of our inability to grasp the knowledge, wisdom and understanding contained in the scriptures (the law). It is only through these principles that we can learn, teach, and live by example or should I say en-sample and pour out the true affections of love, as Christ did for us [John 17:17,21-24; I John 4:16]. The love of this world only breeds discontent insecurity, doubt, and fear; by observing days such as this, we continue to ignorantly perpetuate the conflict within ourselves, being slaves to Satan's delights [I John 2:15]. The scripture emphatically states -"this is love, that we walk after his commandments [II John 1:6]." As for the act of giving, let it not be the sweetness of chocolates, but the sweetness of wisdom. As for the giving of your hearts, let it solely be for the establishment of understanding in truth and righteousness. And as for a bouquet of roses, let it be the imparting of the knowledge of God in Christ, so that we all may partake from the tree of life!