

MERRY CHRISTMAS?

MERRY:

mer-ry Pronunciation Key (m r)
adj. mer-ri-er, mer-ri-est

1. Full of **high-spirited gaiety; jolly**.
2. Marked by or offering **fun** and gaiety;
festive: *a merry evening.*
3. *Archaic.* **Delightful; entertaining.**
4. **Brisk:** *a merry pace.*

Source = Dictionary.com with the query "merry"

The word "Merry" is defined to mean great happiness and joy.

CHRIST:

Christ Pronunciation Key (kr st)
n.

1. **The Messiah**, as foretold by the prophets of the Hebrew Scriptures. Often used with *the*.
2. *Christianity.* **Jesus.**

Source = Dictionary.com with the query "Christ"

Of course we already understand Christ is the title our Lord Jesus has been ordained before the foundation of the world for all of us. Now all we need to do is define the word "Mass" in Christ-Mass. This is in fact a Roman Catholic word, so let us go to the Roman Catholic Encyclopedia to find its meaning.

MASS:

"In the Christian law, the supreme sacrifice is that of the Mass. ...The supreme act of worship consists essentially in an **offering of a worthy victim** to God, the offering made by a proper person, as a priest, the **destruction of the victim.**"

Source = Page 537 of the Catholic Encyclopedia

So, in essence the word Mass is defined as death sacrifice or "Destruction of the victim" according to the Roman Catholic church itself. So, when you say "Merry Christmas" you are actually declaring with great happiness and joy that Jesus is dead and gone. By the way, when Santa Clause says "Ho ho ho, Merry Christmas" he is openly and boldly mocking the sacrifice of Christ WITH LAUGHTER!!

A true Christian would want to examine and guard everything they say, because Jesus our Lord said to us in Matthew 12:36-37, "But I say unto you, that **every idle word** that men shall speak, they **shall give account thereof in the day of judgement.** For by thy words thou shalt be justified, and by thy words thou shalt be condemned."

DID EARLY CHRISTIANS CELEBRATE CHRISTMAS?

"Christmas was not among the earliest festivals of the Church...the first evidence of the feast is from Egypt." "Pagan customs centering around the January calendars gravitated to Christmas." "...In the Scriptures, no one is recorded to have kept a feast or held a great banquet on his [Jesus] birthday. It is only sinners who make great rejoicings over the day in which they were born into this world" -*Catholic Encyclopedia, 1911 Edition, published by the Roman Catholic Church*

And to settle "some" minds out there that place no stock in any boast of Catholicism, the Roman Church is not the only one that understands this simple historic fact...

"A broad element of English Christianity still considered Christmas celebration a pagan blasphemy. The Puritans, Baptists, Quakers, Presbyterians, Calvinists and other denominations brought this opposition to early New England and

strong opposition to the holiday lasted in America until the middle of the 18th century." -*The Origins of Christmas, Rick Meisel, Dec. 19, 1993, p. 4.*

"...Christmas was not among the earliest festivals of the church...." -*Encyclopedia Britannica, 1946 edition*

WHERE DID WE GET THE RED AND GREEN COLORS AT XMAS?

Leviticus 14:33-39, "And the LORD spake unto Moses and unto Aaron, saying, When ye be come into the land of Canaan, which I give to you for a possession, and I put the plague of leprosy in a house of the land of your possession; And he that owneth the house shall come and tell the priest, saying, It seemeth to me there is as it were a plague in the house: Then the priest shall command that they empty the house, before the priest go into it to see the plague, that all that is in the house be not made unclean: and afterward the priest shall go in to see the house: And he shall look on the plague, and, behold, if the plague be in the walls of the house with hollow strakes, **greenish** or **reddish**, which in sight are lower than the wall; Then the priest shall go out of the house to the door of the house, and shut up the house seven days: And the priest shall come again the seventh day, and shall look: and, behold, if the plague be spread in the walls of the house;"

ORIGIN OF GIFT GIVING...

"The interchange of presents between friends is alike characteristic of Christmas and the Saturnalia, and **MUST HAVE BEEN ADOPTED BY CHRISTIANS FROM THE PAGANS**, as the admonition of Tertullian plainly shows." *Emphasis added.* -*Bibliotheca Sacra (vol 12 pp 153-155)*

Notice the devil's tricky way of using the gifts to pull the worship away from Jesus. If we were to gift gifts on birthdays, **which we're not**, why are we giving gifts to everyone BUT Jesus? Did the three Wise men hand the gifts to everyone in the neighborhood

except Jesus? The fact everyone does that today pulls the reason for the worship off of Jesus and unto those you give the gifts to.

THE PAGAN CHRISTMAS TREE...

"The Christmas tree, now so common among us, was equally common in Pagan Rome and Pagan Egypt. In Egypt it was the palm tree; in Rome it was the fir; the palm-tree denoting the Pagan Messiah, as Baal-Tamar, the fir referring to him as Baal-Berith. The mother of Adonis, the Sun-God and great mediatorial divinity, was mystically said to have been changed into a tree, and when in that state to have brought forth her divine son. If the mother was a tree, the son must have been recognized as 'Man the Branch.' And this entirely accounts for putting the Yule Log into the fire on Christmas Eve and the appearance of the Christmas tree the next morning. As Zero-Ashta, 'The seed of the woman,' ...he has to enter the fire on 'Mother night,' that he may be born the next day out of it, as the 'Branch of God,' or the Tree that brings divine gifts to men." -*The Two Babylons, p. 97.*

THE LIE OF SANTA CLAUSE ALL PARENTS TELL THEIR CHILDREN

Think about that for a moment. Parents all over the world have been telling bold face lies to their children since birth about a fat man in a red suit that comes down a chimney to place gifts underneath the tree. Now guess what happens when the child comes of age. The child realizes that mommy and daddy have been lying to him the whole time! And not only that, but this child realizes that IT WORKED!!! He actually realizes that his parents lied to him and HE BELIEVED THEM! So now he has concrete evidence that lying is a resourceful tool that he can use to his advantage. And his own parents taught him.

SANTA CLAUS	JESUS CHRIST
1 st & most important, Santa is fantasy. That which is not true comes from the father of lies!	Jesus is REAL: 'God, that cannot lie', Titus 1:2.
Jolly Old St. Nicholas	'A man of sorrows, and acquainted with grief': Isa 53:3
Welcomed by the World	'We hid as it were our faces from him; he was despised, and we esteemed him not.' Isa 53:3
The myth of Santa is that he's coming to town to give us material goods.	Christ is coming to Earth to give us eternal life and eternal goods.
Fat, red faced, symbol of self-indulgence; most older pictures show him smoking a pipe, and a red nose has always been linked to alcohol indulgence. Message: "Indulgence = Happiness"	Fasting alone in the desert, tell of the days that He passed, How for OUR sins He was tempted, yet was triumphant at last. Victory over appetite was the Reason for that Season!! Message: "Indulgence=Death"
Attractive, bright, sparkling, admired.	'His visage was so marred more than any man, and his form more than the sons of men': Isa 52:14
Says "Ho, Ho, Ho!"	Says "Woe, Woe, Woe!" (see Matt. 23)
Santa is all about getting (When has it ever been said that Santa promotes people to give to each other?)	Christ promotes giving: Ac 20:35 "...It is more blessed to give than to receive."
Smiling, laughing, hilarity, mirth,	'My soul is exceeding sorrowful, even unto

gaiety etc.	death.' Mark 14:34. John 11:35 'Jesus wept.'
Has many 'little people' (elves) to do all his work. (Typical of the rich)	'I have trodden the winepress alone; and of the people there was none with me': Isa 63:3 He was servant to all.
Uses MAGIC to do his work	'He did not use His divine power to make His life easier for Himself'. {SJ 34.5}
Only comes to 'good little boys and girls'.	'a friend of publicans and sinners!' Luke 7:34
Untruthful in that everyone knows that 'bad' children still get gifts.	'that will by no means clear the guilty' Ex. 34:7 Judges Righteously.
Children write letters and even pray to 'Santa' – this is a false god, an idol.	Says, "Suffer little children to come unto me!" Mark 10:14
Santa sneaks into homes through the chimney! Satan always intrudes any way he can.	"Behold, I stand at the door, and knock: if any man hear my voice, and open the door, I will come in to him." Jesus only comes by invitation.
Teaches that material gifts are the most important concern. Children feel rejected if friends get more for Christmas than they do. Abundant gifts means you are 'good'.	Teaches, 'a man's life consisteth not in the abundance of the things which he possesseth'. Luke 12:15
Parents lie to children about Santa. God hates lies. (Pr. 12:22)	'Come, ye children, hearken unto me: I will teach you the fear of the LORD.' Ps. 34:11
Associated with feasting, partying, rich foods, flesh	Pr 23:20 'Be not among winebibbers; among riotous eaters of flesh.'

meats, celebration.	'And take heed to yourselves, lest at any time your hearts be overcharged with surfeiting' Luke 21:34.
Only involved with us for 1 night.	"Lo, I am with you always, unto the end of the world" Matt 28:20
It is time to wake up! Many things that are 'cute', and 'sentimental' and are considered 'innocent' come straight from hell's kitchens and we should have nothing to do with it! 2 Co 6:15 "And what concord hath Christ with Belial?"	

WHO'S TO BLAME FOR ALL THIS PAGAN INFILTRATION?

So, who do we have to thank for all this Pagan infiltration in our lives? ROME! Now, don't take my word for it. Rome ADMITS this very fact...Cardinal Newman *admits* in his book that; the "temples, incense, oil lamps, votive offerings, holy water, holidays, and seasons of devotion, processions, blessings of the fields, sacerdotal vestments, the tonsure (of priests, monks and nuns), images, and statues... **are all of pagan origin.**" -*The Development of the Christian Religion Cardinal Newman p.359* Such boldness! Such arrogance! It's as if the devil is puffing up his chest to proclaim to God Himself that, "Yes, they know it's against your will Lord! Yet they choose it over you anyway!!"

Do you do as the rest of the world does? Do you embrace their festivities as did the people of Noah's day? Do you keep their customs and partake in their feasts that are looked upon as an abomination unto your God? Or are you a "peculiar treasure" unto the Lord God Creator? Does the ever faithful Groom look upon you as His virgin keeping His New Covenant not defiled by the customs and abominations shared by Rome to all the world? Does He see you as the firstfruits unto God and to the Lamb?

Christmas has been designed by Rome so as to make it nearly impossible for you to give it up. Your family, friends, and everyone you meet that says "Merry Christmas" will look upon you as "strange, peculiar and odd" when you tell them that you do not celebrate Christmas. Your children, will cry out to you their disappointment when you inform them that you have decided to do as the Lord you worship would have you do. Your loved ones will be offended when you tell them you won't be giving them Christmas gifts anymore. Your boss, your friends, you co-workers, all of them have been programmed by Rome to look upon you as one that is strange and un-Christlike when you inform them you cannot take part in the festivities they embrace so wholeheartedly. But rest assured, there is one that will look upon you as one worthy of His embrace when all the world hates you for His sake...

"And Jesus answered and said, Verily I say unto you, There is no man that hath left house, or brethren, or sisters, or father, or mother, or wife, or children, or lands, for my sake, and the gospel's, But he shall receive an hundredfold now in this time, houses, and brethren, and sisters, and mothers, and children, and lands, with persecutions; and in the world to come eternal life. But many that are first shall be last; and the last first." -*Mark 10:29-31,*



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