

How Santa Mocks God (On Merchant's Day)

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Satan's goal is to get us to see him instead of seeing God. He wants to be like the most high in any way he can. God receives praise when we follow Him. Satan receives praise when we follow him. His strategy is to get us to follow him thinking that we're following God. I can see him now, laughing at God every time he convinces some soul to replace God with himself. It may seem like a lovable thing to do, but it may not be reality based.

Example: We celebrate Christmas and we say, "I know that Christ was born. It doesn't matter when. We choose Dec. 25th to represent his birth date." Then we follow the crowd and sing and tell lies about a fat clown in a red suit. Then we take our children to the malls to see this perfect man called Santa Claus.

As innocent as Santa may seem, Satan is mocking God. I'm about to destroy the image of Santa Claus, so if there are children that you don't want to know the truth, you'd better get them out of here. This message is entitled "How Santa Mocks God."

Let's start with Santa's hair and eyes. Santa has white woolly hair. Right? His eyes are said to have a twinkle in them. Revelation 1:14 says, talking about Christ, "His head and His hairs were white like wool, as white as snow; and His eyes were as a flame of fire." Fire twinkles, doesn't it? Are we talking about Jesus or Santa Claus?

Santa is from the North pole, right? Why the North? Why not the South pole? Well, God is from the North. We find in Isaiah 14:12-14 these words: "How art thou fallen from heaven, o Lucifer, son of the morning! How art thou cut down to the ground, which didst weaken the nations! For thou hast said in thine heart, I will ascend into heaven, I will exalt my throne above the stars of God: I will sit also upon the mount of the congregation, in the sides of the North: I will ascend above the heights of the clouds; I will be like the most high."

I tell you, Santa is from the North because God is from the North.

Santa has unlimited power. Is there anything that Santa can't do? Ask a kid. There is no dispute about that. I don't need a text to tell you that only God has unlimited power.

Santa is all knowing, huh? He knows when you are good or bad, so be good for goodness sake. You'd better watch out....you know the song. So we tell our children that Santa is omniscient (all knowing). Well, he would have to be in order to know about all the children in the world, wouldn't he? I don't need a text to tell you that only God is all knowing.

Santa is immortal. Have you ever heard of Santa being born? Oh, I know the story about Saint Nick. He was a generous man, but the legend of Santa Claus grew into the ridiculous tale that it is today. Only God is immortal.

Santa is perfect. Who does he need to repent to? Can Santa do any wrong? Ask a child. Who is Santa's boss? He has none. Does he ever say, "Praise the Lord?" Have you ever heard of Santa giving God glory or credit for anything? If he did, he wouldn't be Santa long. My, my, my.

Santa also judges us. I thought that was God's job. But according to Santa he's making his list, checking it twice; gonna' find out who's naughty or nice. Jesus Christ is coming to town. No! That's Santa Claus is coming to town. But I thought that Jesus was checking his list to see who has been naughty or nice and is coming to town to bring his rewards. Who's gonna do it, Santa or Jesus? My, my, my.

Santa calls the children to come unto him, sits them on his lap and the children repent to him for the bad that they did during the year and promise to be good. I tell you, Jesus is the one we should teach our children to repent to. Jesus often called the children to him and said forbid them not. Santa is fooling our children.

Santa is omnipresent, which means that he can be everywhere at the same time. How else can he visit every home on the same night? I don't need a text to tell you that only God can visit every home at once. I don't know about you, but I think that Santa is a clown. A big fat, jelly belly, roley polely, curly headed clown.

What about his red suit? Why red? Revelation 19:13 tells us why. "And he was clothed with a vesture dipped in blood: and his name is called the word of God." Need I say more? Santa, like Jesus, is the same in character today, yesterday, and forever. When does Santa come? On a foggy Christmas Eve Santa asked Rudolph to lead his sleigh that night. There is no dispute that Jesus is coming in fog. What is fog? Clouds. The Bible tells us that the clouds are angels. Gabriel will probably lead the coming of my Savior, not Rudolph.

Santa lives in a shining ice palace, like clear glass. Why? Revelation 21:18 tells us why. "And the building of the wall of it was of jasper: and the city was pure gold, like unto clear glass." Santa is tended by elves, which are mysterious creatures; Just as God is tended by mysterious angels.

Come Christmas time, we say that we celebrate the birth of Christ, but I ask you, who's image do we see everywhere? Who gets the most attention? Who is advertised most? Is it Jesus or Santa? If it is Jesus' birth that we celebrate, why do we buy each other gifts? Do you know anybody else in the world, who has a birth day Celebration, and the world buys each other gifts and leave the birthday person out of the celebration? My, my, my.

If you want to celebrate the birth of Christ this year, give to the church. It is not a sin to give gifts to each other, but I just want to get the priorities straight. I hope this makes sense to you. If we say that we are celebrating Jesus' birth, then he should get all of the gifts. The Bible says that the wise men brought gifts to Jesus. It does not say that the wise men or any men gave gifts to each other during the birth of Christ.

The merchants make millions each year and they program us by calling us a scrooge if we don't help make them rich. If the church got all of those millions, the budget would not suffer as much. The church would not need to beg so much. Just think back over the years that you spent money on gifts and left Christ out. It's like throwing a party for you and inviting everybody but you to your party.

Go to Wal-mart or Sam's this year and buy the church some paper towels or toilet paper or paper plates or donate your gift to the church budget, but give your gift to Christ, if you are sincere about celebrating His birth.

Oh some will find a way to compromise with the world so that no one will fuss at them. I don't know about you, but when I realized how Satan is playing with the world, I decided not to play with him. Since it was my choice, I grabbed my ball and went home. You know how children get mad while playing, and the one who owns the ball might grab it and go home.

What does Santa say before he enters? Ho, ho, ho. Why ho, ho, ho? The word "ho" comes from the Hebrew "ahaw" meaning listen, a word expressing pain with an exclamation point. Why would Satan use such a word? In the book of Zechariah chapter 2:6, 7 we find the answer. God is talking to his people. "Ho, ho, come forth, and flee from the land of the North, saith the Lord. Deliver thyself, o Zion, that dwellest with the daughter of Babylon."

God is expressing pain in the fact that His people are on the wrong road. This is the only thing that causes God pain. Satan is playing with God and with us. When God says ho, ho, pain, pain. Satan is saying "ho, ho, Ha. Ha." and we are too slow to pick up on it, so we join in with him and pick at God while thinking that we are saying something nice. My, my, my.

Why Santa? Well, God has more than one name. Santa unscrambled spells Satan. I use to say they x-ed Christ out of Christmas when they wrote x-mas instead of Christmas. Now I realize that Christ was never in Christmas. Colossians 2:8 helps us to understand this fact. "Beware lest any man spoil you through philosophy and vain deceit, after the tradition of men, after the rudiments of the world, and not after Christ."

The Bible does not say anything about remembering the birth of Christ. There is no Bible principle that even suggests that we do. This is Satan's doing and the idea caught on and is carried on by greedy men who couldn't care less about Jesus. "If the name Jesus can bring a fast buck, then Jesus was born. Now, come buy my goods."

I would like to ask, why do we need a Christmas tree for anything? We know that it has pagan roots. Must we mix this mess with the birth of Christ? Let's look at Jeremiah 10:1-5

"1 Hear ye the word which the Lord speaketh unto you, O house of Israel: 2 thus saith the Lord, learn not the way of the heathen, and be not dismayed at the signs of heaven; for the heathen are dismayed at them. 3 for the customs of the people are vain: for one cutteth a tree out of the forest, the work of the hands of the workman, with the axe. 4 they deck it with silver and with gold; they fasten it with nails and with hammers, that it move not. 5 they are upright as the palm tree, but speak not: they must needs be borne, because they cannot go. Be not afraid of them; for they cannot do evil, neither also is it in them to do good."

I've been told that "we don't worship our tree." But, it is interesting that one must kneel to retrieve a gift from under the tree. Satan is so smart. He knows how to insult God. Then there is a song called "Oh, Christmas Tree." Is God happy with this? I don't think so.

So, who was born on December 25th? His name was Tammuz. When Nimrod, the great hunter before (against) the Lord died, his wife had a son from another man. She told the people that her husband sent her seed through a sun ray as it shone into her bedroom window. Her name was Semiramis.

The people fell for this lie. When he died, she told the people that he too was now a sun God as Nimrod was. She went on to say that each year when the fall came, Tammuz was dying all over again, but each spring, he came back to life as evident in the flowers. So, 40 days before spring the women would start weeping for Tammuz to come back to life again.

Ezekiel 8:14 "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." Today, they are called the 40 days of Lent.

Could God be happy with any of this pagan activity, including December 25th? Is Jesus being glorified? I don't think so. We all know what would happen if we abandoned Christmas, don't we? Family & friend trouble, right? Can you endure being talked about? This message is either truth or error. Let us all pray and ask God what He would have us do and obey what we know. God is not the author of confusion.

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WHITE, WOOLLY HAIR Revelation 1:13 And in the midst of the seven candlesticks [one] like unto the Son of man, clothed with a garment down to the foot, and girt about the paps with a golden girdle. 1:14 His head and [his] hairs [were] white like wool, as white as snow; and his eyes [were] as a flame of fire; 1:15 And his feet like unto fine brass, as if they burned in a furnace; and his voice as the sound of many waters.

FROM THE NORTH Isaiah 14:12 How art thou fallen from heaven, O Lucifer, son of the morning! [how] art thou cut down to the ground, which didst weaken the nations! 14:13 For thou hast said in thine heart, I will ascend into heaven, I will exalt my throne above the stars of God: I will sit also upon the mount of the congregation, in the sides of the north: 14:14 I will ascend above the heights of the clouds; I will be like the most High.

ALL KNOWING Psalm 139:1 To the chief Musician, A Psalm of David. O LORD, thou hast searched me, and known [me]. 139:2 Thou knowest my downsitting and mine uprising, thou understandest my thought afar off.

IMMORTAL Hebrews 13:8 Jesus Christ the same yesterday, and to day, and for ever.

SINLESS & PERFECT Hebrews 4:15 For we have not an high priest which cannot be touched with the feeling of our infirmities; but was in all points tempted like as [we are, yet] without sin.

JUDGES US Revelation 20:12 And I saw the dead, small and great, stand before God; and the books were opened: and another book was opened, which is [the book] of life: and the dead were judged out of those things which were written in the books, according to their works. John 5:27 And hath given him authority to execute judgment also, because he is the Son of man. 5:30 I can of mine own self do nothing: as I hear, I judge: and my judgment is just; because I seek not mine own will, but the will of the Father which hath sent me.

GIVES GIFTS Matthew 5:16 Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works, and glorify your Father which is in heaven.

CALLS THE CHILDREN TO HIMSELF Mark 10:14 But when Jesus saw [it], he was much displeased, and said unto them, Suffer the little children to come unto me, and forbid them not: for of such is the kingdom of God.

10:15 Verily I say unto you, Whosoever shall not receive the kingdom of God as a little child, he shall not enter therein. 10:16 And he took them up in his arms, put [his] hands upon them, and blessed them.

HOUR OF HIS COMING A MYSTERY Luke 12:40 Be ye therefore ready also: for the Son of man cometh at an hour when ye think not.

OMNIPRESENT Revelation 18:8 Therefore shall her plagues come in one day, death, and mourning, and famine; and she shall be utterly burned with fire: for strong [is] the Lord God who judgeth her. (Referring to the day of the Lord.)

RED SUIT Revelation 19:13 And he [was] clothed with a vesture dipped in blood: and his name is called The Word of God.

COMES IN FOG (CLOUDS) Revelation 1:7 Behold, he cometh with clouds; and every eye shall see him, and they [also] which pierced him: and all kindreds of the earth shall wail because of him. Even so, Amen.

LIVES IN A CLEAR HOUSE Revelation 21:18 And the building of the wall of it was [of] jasper: and the city [was] pure gold, like unto clear glass.

HO! HO! HO! Zechariah 2:6 Ho, ho, [come forth], and flee from the land of the North, saith the LORD: for I have spread you abroad as the four winds of the heaven, saith the LORD. 2:7 Deliver thyself, O Zion, that dwellest [with] the daughter of Babylon.

Revelation 18:2 And he cried mightily with a strong voice, saying, Babylon the great is fallen, is fallen, and is become the habitation of devils, and the hold of every foul spirit, and a cage of every unclean and hateful bird. 18:3 For all nations have drunk of the wine of the wrath of her fornication, and the kings of the earth have committed fornication with her, and the merchants of the earth are waxed rich through the abundance of her delicacies. 18:4 And I heard another voice from heaven, saying, Come out of her, MY people, that ye be not partakers of her sins, and that ye receive not of her plagues.

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SANTA = SATAN

IS THIS A COINCIDENT?

PERHAPS GOD IS TRYING TO SHOW US SOMETHING?