

Pagans and Aliens From Space

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Ephesians 2:2-3 Wherein in time past ye walked according to the course of this world, according to the prince of the power of the air, the spirit that now worketh in the children of disobedience: Among whom also we all had our conversation in times past in the lusts of our flesh, fulfilling the desires of the flesh and of the mind; and were by nature the children of wrath, even as others.

Revelation 13:13-14 And he doeth great wonders, so that he maketh fire come down from heaven on the earth in the sight of men, And deceiveth them that dwell on the earth by the means of those miracles which he had power to do in the sight of the beast;

- I. I am finding it difficult to get people to realize that what we are seeing in the world now is a revival of ancient paganism.
 - A. Even when talking to other preachers and people who believe the Bible and see the ungodliness on the rise, I find that they really do not get it.
 - B. It seems to me that they perceive the word “pagan” as some kind of Christian slander, or expression of contempt against those who live wickedly and refuse to worship God.
 - C. In other words, they think you are just venting frustration and disdain for ungodliness in general when you refer to people, or events, as pagan.
 - D. But this is not the case at all; the word “pagan” is the only word, other than “heathen” that describes all those who do not worship God who made heaven and earth.
 - E. It is a word that encompasses all other forms of religion, philosophies, and world views that are not biblical.
 - F. It can wear the coat of Christianity, or Judaism, or Islam, or it can be out and out openly demonic and satanic, and a thousand shades in between.
 - G. It is a way of thinking that leads people to the same ends; it is a pathway that takes people to the same perceptions of spiritual things, but does not necessarily call them spiritual.
 - H. I keep trying to stress the similarities between the ancient pagan religions and their thoughts and theories, and the modern anti-God culture in this world now.
 - I. Whether they admit it or not, the power behind the modern paganism is spiritual, and it is the same spiritual power that was behind the ancient pagans and their practices.
 - J. The “energy” they talk about in their concerts, and their political rallies, and their “worship services” is the same “energy” that the ancient pagans felt in theirs.
 - K. The things they focus on and the weird ideas they come up with are the same as the ancient pagans.

- II. For example, have you noticed how focused humanity is on the heavens?
 - A. There has always been a fascination with the heavens, but in this generation we have set our eyes out further than ever before so we can see farther than anyone ever has before, that is, unless the civilization before the flood did it, too.
 - B. What are they looking for?

1. Why have they spent billions, if not trillions, of dollars on space exploration?
2. The answer is very simple and obvious; they say it plainly every time they get a chance; they are looking for extraterrestrial life.
3. They are looking for their gods; the same gods their ancient ancestors looked for.
4. They are looking for any kind of life outside this planet.
5. For many years now they have had powerful receivers all over the world continually listening for radio signals from space, hoping to hear something from some intelligent source out there.
6. For them, any contact or evidence of life anywhere outside the earth would end their fear that the Bible is true.
7. It is about justifying their rejection of God and stopping that fear that their conscience keeps tormenting them with.
8. It is all 100% pagan thinking and reasoning.
9. Have you ever wondered why they named their programs and their rockets names like Gemini, Apollo, Saturn, Mercury, Atlantis, Orion, Centaur, Atlas, Thor, Jupiter, Titan, Pegasus, Athena?

III. The gods and goddesses of the ancient pagans were superior beings, not the creators of all things.

- A. In their minds, as in all modern minds, any kind of being that came down from the sky had to be far superior to those living on the earth.
 1. They must be far more technologically advanced than earthlings.
 2. They would surely have the power to destroy all of us very easily if they chose to.
 3. If we can only make contact with them and show them we are peaceful and make peace with them, they would pass to us their wisdom and knowledge that would cure man's problems and enable him to make earth a better place to live.
- B. Ancient pagans always visualized and made images of these gods in human forms.
 1. Unregenerate man has never been able to conceive of God or pagan gods in any other way than a perfect and superior version of himself.
 2. How many modern people reason the same way?
 3. They never imagine creatures from outer space in any other form than some distorted version of a human. (two-legged, two-arms, walking upright, two eyes, two ears, a head, a body, just like us, but weird looking)
- C. The ancient pagans had other ideas (theories) about how the earth and the universe came to exist.
 1. Their beliefs sounded almost as ridiculous as the "Big Bang" and evolution.
 2. For example: The earth sits on the back of a giant turtle, or an elephant, etc.
- D. Their gods always came down from the sky and their habitations were in the heavens.
 1. Modern pagans believe exactly the same things, but they call them "aliens" instead of gods.
 2. Modern pagans have no more evidence of their gods than the ancient pagans did, but they believe in them by faith, with only "odds" to assure

them that there simply has to be life out there somewhere, because the universe is so large and there just so many galaxies, stars, and planets.

- E. Almost daily, there is some new discovery in the heavens; it is always something bigger, more powerful, or more complex, than anything they have seen before.
- F. Humanity is scanning the heavens continually, looking for a sign from heaven that will vindicate their rejection of God.
- G. Jesus made it clear that seeking a sign from heaven (the sky) is a thing that wicked people do, and God has commanded his people not to do so. (Jeremiah 10:2)

Jeremiah 10:2 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.

- 1. We see God giving signs from heaven at times, but the signs in the heavens that God gives are encouragement and hope for his people, but woe to those who reject Him.
- H. We find the Jews seeking a sign from heaven from Jesus.

Matthew 16:1 The Pharisees also with the Sadducees came, and tempting desired him that he would shew them a sign from heaven.

Matthew 16:2-4 He answered and said unto them, When it is evening, ye say, It will be fair weather: for the sky is red. And in the morning, It will be foul weather to day: for the sky is red and lowring. O ye hypocrites, ye can discern the face of the sky; but can ye not discern the signs of the times? A wicked and adulterous generation seeketh after a sign; and there shall no sign be given unto it, but the sign of the prophet Jonas. And he left them, and departed.

- I. The hope of modern paganism is that they will be vindicated in the eyes of the world with introduction of aliens, who will be their gods come down to earth in the sight of men.
- J. Paganism is always ultimately self-serving.
 - 1. There is no real worship, only appeasement of the anger of the gods and the “invoking” of their names for assistance, protection, blessing, or indulgence of some desire.
- K. The contrast between paganism and worship of the true God is love.
 - 1. Pagans fear their gods and goddesses and their imagined relationship with them is like a bad and unhappy marriage.
 - 2. Christians love their God and their God loves them, and it is like a wonderful, peaceful home full of joy and peace.
- L. The contrast between paganism and Christianity is drastic, obvious, and like the difference between north and south.
- M. Paganism always has the mark of the serpent on it; it always includes the lie to men, “Your eyes shall be opened and ye shall be as gods.”
- N. They always talk about “enlightenment” and claim to have attained to understanding that those who worship God in truth do not understand.
- O. Their “enlightenment” always ignores the matter of sin in an attempt to do away with the guilt while the consequences of sin are explained by some other cause, such as, the gods are angry, or simply not pleased, which requires a sacrifice.
- P. Paganism is fascinated with signs and wonders, especially in the heavens. (sky)
- Q. These modern pagans commonly believe that the aliens are watching us and that they are going to deal with us about our bad behavior.
- R. Most of these people I am referring to do not claim to be pagans, or even religious, but they have the same reasoning and mental concepts about right and wrong, good and evil, and supernatural things that the ancient pagans had.