

EASTER VS. RESURRECTION

Question? Where did the world get the idea of a holiday called **EASTER** at this time of year?

Acts 12:4 The word *Easter* appears one time in the New Testament and is generally misunderstood by most readers, commentaries and all those who oppose the KJV bible.

The Greek word that is translated Easter is the word “pascha”. This word appears twenty nine times in the N.T. And twenty eight times it is rendered “Passover.” The only time it is rendered Easter is here.

“ISHTAR”

Genesis 10:8-10 As is usually the case, the O.T. Reveals the answer to our questions in the N.T. Remember that Noah had a son named Ham, then Ham had a son named Cush, and Cush had a son named Nimrod. Nimrod's mothers name was Semiramis who not only was Nimrods mother but also became his wife. Nimrod became a great leader of Godless people and his mother, (also his wife) became a powerful Queen of ancient Babylon.

Nimrod was eventually killed by his enemies and his mother convinced the Babylonians that he had ascended to the sun and was now to be known as “Baal” the sun god.

Jeremiah 7:18 Semiramis was believed to be immaculately conceived from the moon goddess and taught the people that she came down from the moon in a giant moon egg and fell into the Euphrates river. She then became known as “Ishtar” which is pronounced “Easter.” She began to be worshiped as “The Mother of God and Queen of Heaven” as she continued to build her Mystery Babylonian religion.

Ezekiel 8:14 Ishtar became pregnant and she claimed her pregnancy came from the “rays of the sun-god Baal”. She had a son named Tammuz who later was killed by a wild pig. Ishtar then proclaimed a forty day period of sorrow each year prior to the anniversary of Tammuz death.

Every year on the first Sunday after the first full moon after the spring equinox, a celebration was held with rabbits and eggs because they represented fertility.

Acts 12:4 After seeing and understanding the truth about the use of the word *Easter* in this verse, it should be clear that King Herod, who's family was well known for idol worship, was not referring to the resurrection of Christ but was referring to his own holiday that would come in just a few days.

Revelation 17:1-6 It should also be clear that the forty days of lent, Easter eggs and rabbits have everything to do with the ancient religion of Mystery Babylon and not the resurrection of Jesus Christ.

GOOD FRIDAY VS. TRUTH

There are two theories regarding the number of days that Jesus spent in the tomb before rising from the dead. (1) There is the Good Friday theory that says He was buried on Friday and rose Sunday A.M. Then (2) the theory that He died Wednesday and spent three full days and nights before rising.

Mark 15:42; Luke 23:54 The controversy about Good Friday comes from these verses that indicate He died the day before the sabbath, or Saturday. John makes it pretty clear in (**John 19:14**) that it was the day before Passover and history has recorded Passover on Thursday that year.

Matthew 27:45-50 Our view is that Jesus died on the cross shortly before 6:00 P.M. On Wednesday.

Matthew 27:57-60 Joseph and Nicodemus (when evening had come) buried Jesus in Josephs tomb.

Matt. 17:22-23; 20:17-19; Mark 10:33-34; Luke 9:22; 18:31-33 Verses predicting His resurrection.

Mark 8:31; Matthew 12:38-40 Jesus foretelling the exact amount of time He would be in the grave.

Matthew 27:62-63 Jesus enemies themselves testify to the fact of the exact number of days that they understood Him to say He would be in the tomb before rising from the dead.