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Origins of Valentine's Day

Every February, you can walk into almost any store or business, and be bombarded with messages and symbols proclaiming the so-called "holiday of love" which is known in modern times as Valentine's Day. Sounds innocent enough, right? Many people take it for granted that Valentine's Day is not just celebrated by the masses in modern times, but is actually a very old holiday with pagan roots. We at Yahweh's Assembly in Yahshua have studied this matter and determined that we are not to celebrate Valentine's Day, as innocent as it may appear.

We believe that Yahweh, our Heavenly Father, has already decided which Holy days we are to keep. They are listed in Leviticus 23, and Valentine's Day is not one of them. It appears that the Romans long ago had a holiday called Lupercalia, which is where most of the symbols associated with Valentine's Day came from.

In modern times, greeting card manufacturers and retail merchants have really taken advantage of this holiday. TV commercials and newspaper ads try



to make people feel guilty for not spending money on the people they love. But, is buying candy in heart-shaped boxes and expensive jewelry really the best way to make someone feel loved? There is nothing wrong with giving a person a nice gift, but Yahweh wants us to show love to each other every day, not just on a day determined by

greedy manufacturers. He wants us to show love by serving one another, and to love others as you love yourself.

It is not up to Yahweh's people to pick and choose which worldly holidays they want to celebrate. We are to live in the world, but not be of the world. Yahweh is calling out a special people to love and serve Him and others. It is not okay to be involved in pagan practices which overshadow Yahweh's rules and instructions. May you be blessed as you seek Yahweh with all your heart!

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WORD

Do you remember?

1. How do I know which holidays Yahweh wants me to keep?

- A. He wants us to choose whatever holidays are fun.
- B. He want us to keep the ones He instructed in Leviticus 23.
- C. He wants us to celebrate the so-called "holiday of love."
- D. He does not care which ones we keep.

2. From whom did Valentine's Day originate?

- A. The Romans.
- B. The Chinese.
- C. The Mongolians.
- D. The Russians.



3. What was the ancient name of Valentine's Day?

- A. Mardi Gras.
- B. Day of the Dead.
- C. Lupercalia.
- D. All Saints Day.

4. What is the best way to show love to each other?

- A. Giving gifts.
- B. Serving one another.
- C. Loving someone as you love yourself.
- D. Both B. and C.



5. Which statements below are true?

- A. Yahweh is calling out a special people who will love and serve Him and others.
- B. We are to live in the world, but not be of the world.
- C. We cannot be involved with pagan practices.
- D. All of the above.



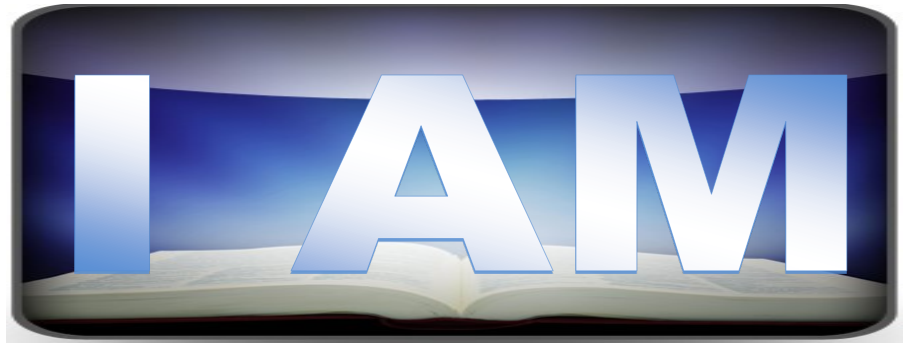
The Song of Deborah

ARISE CAPTIVES CHARIOTS DONKEY ENEMIES
 ISRAEL JAEL KINGS MOTHER PERISH PRINCES
 SPOILS STRENGTH VALLEY WARRIORS

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 O X V S I N E G L E A R S I J
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THE GREAT I AM'S

Fill in the blanks with the proper word (s). Scriptures are given to assist you.

1. "I am the _____: by Me if any man enter in, he shall be saved..." (John 10:9).
2. "I am the good _____, and know My sheep, and am known of Mine" (John 10:14).
3. "I am the _____: he that comes to Me shall never hunger" (John 6:35).
4. "I am the _____: he that follows Me shall not walk in darkness..." (John 8:12).
5. "Fear not; I am the _____ and the _____" (Rev. 1:17).
6. "And Yahweh said unto Moses, I AM _____..." (Exodus 3:14).
7. "I am the _____, the _____, and the _____: no man comes to the Father, but by Me" (John 14:6).
8. "I am the _____, you are the branches" (John 15:5).
9. "I am the _____, and the _____: he that believes in me, though he were dead, yet shall he live" (John 11:25).
10. "I am the living _____ which came down from heaven: if any man eat of this bread, he shall live forever" (John 6:51).
11. "Yahshua answered, You say that I am a _____. To this end was I born (John 18:37).

