

Where did Valentine's Day come from?

You might be wondering about Valentine's Day, and why people celebrate it. By now, whenever we walk into any store, we're bound to see aisles of Valentine trappings—heart-shaped boxes of candy, greeting cards, and cupids. On the surface, Valentine's Day appears to be a celebration of love. But make no mistake about it—Valentine's Day has very pagan roots that are easily proven! Any reputable encyclopedia will tell you where it came from historically.

In ancient Rome, Valentine's Day was widely celebrated. Back then, it was called Lupercalia. It was a very popular holiday and involved pagan wolf worship. Lupus is the latin word for "wolf" from which Lupercalia came from.

By the fourth century, Christianity became the dominant religion of Rome, and celebration of Lupercalia became unlawful. Roman authorities attempted to stamp out any pagan practices

brought in by heathen peoples. Regrettably, they were unable to abolish most of the practices because the people loved celebrating them. Because Satan has blinded most of the world, he makes pagan holidays look fun. Mankind in general allow their evil holidays to overshadow and replace true worship.

We, who worship Yahweh, have removed evil pagan practices from our lives. Yahweh promises us eternal life for worshipping Him the way he says we should. Let us stay on the straight and narrow path that will lead us to eternal life.



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"You must not worship Yahweh your Elohim in their way, because in worshiping their gods, they do all kinds of detestable things Yahweh hates. They even burn their sons and daughters in the fire as sacrifices to their gods.

See that you do all I command you; do not add to it or take away from it."

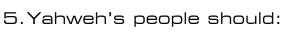
Deuteronomy 12:31-32 NIV

POP QUIZ

- 1. Lupus, in Latin, means:
- A.Dog
- B.Cat
- C.Fish
- D.Wolf



- 2. Valentine's Day was once called:
- A. Lupercalia
- B. Wolf Day
- C.Love Day
- D.Heart and Candy Day
- 3. What role does Satan play in the matter?
- A.He blinds people's minds to the truth.
- B.He makes pagan holidays look fun.
- C.He plays no role.
- D.Both A. and B. are true.
- 4. What was the dominant religion of Rome by the fourth century?
- A. Shintoism
- B.Islam
- C.Christianity
- D.Judaism



- A. Avoid pagan celebrations.
- B.Celebrate Yahweh the way He says we should.
- C.Remove evil from our lives.
- D.All of the above.



CONNECT THE DOTS

In Matthew 6:16 we read, "Look at the birds of the air: they neither sow nor reap, nor gather into barns, and yet your Heavenly Father feeds them. Are you not of more value than they?" Connect the dots below to find a creature mentioned in this passage.



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Countries in the Bible
Name the country which fits the information given in each statement, and write it on the provided line.
Scriptures are given to help you.
1
was the country from which the eunuch, baptized by Philip, came (Acts 8:27, 38).
2.
was the country ruled by Pharaohs (Gen. 41:46).
3
was the country of Paul's citizenship (Acts 16:37-38).
4
was the country from which Solomon got the cedars for his magnificent temple (1 Kings 5:6).
5
was the country where Yahshua was born (Matt. 2:4-5).
6
was the country ruled by Nebuchadnezzar (Jer. 49:28).
7
was the country to which Paul's three missionary journeys led him (Acts 20:18).
8.
was the country where the altar to the "unknown deity" was raised (Acts 17:22-23).
9
was the country Caesar ruled (Acts 27:1).
10.
was the country where Nehemiah served as a palace servant to Artaxerxes (Ezra 4:7; Neh. 2:1).