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Brother Branham said...

Christmas is here to stay, and it isn't the birthday of our Lord, the time He was born. Now, if you'll get on the globe and look, Judaea is just as about as far under the equator as this is above it. So we find out in Judaea, in them mountains up there, that there's snow, my, it's--more snow than there is here. So the shepherds could not be at--on the mountain at that time herding their sheep.

And another thing, It'd be contrary to all nature. See? Lambs and so forth are spring born, not this time of year. Lambs are not born now; the-the ewes don't lamb now. And He was the Lamb of God, He was born along in (they claim), along in April sometime, middle of April, or something like that.

But this being the 25th of December, why, making it the birthday, this is the sun god's birthday, the Roman Baalim, the sun god. See? And the sun is just exactly halfway around now. And from the 20th unto the 25th was when the Roman circus was in celebration of the sun god's birthday. So they said, "Well now, to please both Christian and pagan, we'll make instead of sun god, the Son of God and the sun god together. So we'll put it all together and make it the same birthday and make it on the 25th."

So it seemed to please the pagan and the nominal church then, or the first church of Rome was just all right with them, so they didn't care. So they made it both sun god and Son of God's birthday.

Now, the longest night in the year is along about the $21^{\rm st}$ or $22^{\rm nd}$, when in the solar system the sun is just bouncing over, coming back. Now, they'll start getting just a few seconds or minutes longer, and then sometime up in June or July we have the longest day in the year.

But Christmas is here to stay. We can't help it. Tubeless tires are here to stay. I hate them, but they're here to stay. That's right.

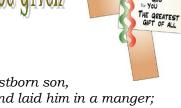
Undressed women, they're here to stay. Shorts, they're going to stay. That's all. They're going to get shorter all the time, so ain't nothing I can do about. I can just say it's wrong and stay with it. That's right.

Sin, it's here to stay. It's here to stay. We're going to have it on and on, so just... It's here to stay until Jesus comes. And all these things are here to stay.

Now, Let me make this clear. I do not believe that Jesus would care what day you worshipped His birthday on (if it's the 25th, 26th, or whether it's April, May, June, July, or whenever it might be), just so you you worship Him on any day.

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The greatest gift that can ever be given is the gift of salvation



And she brought forth her firstborn son, and wrapped him in swaddling clothes, and laid him in a manger; because there was no room for them in the inn. And there were in the same country shepherds abiding in the field, keeping watch over their flock by night.

~ Luke 2:7-8 ~

IF YOU WANT YOUR (HRISTMAS PRESENTS TO BE PERFECT,



SEEK THE PRESENCE OF GOD



* Wednesday December 25th - There will be no service

* Tuesday December 31st - 6:30 PM - Chili & Cornbread in our

Fellowship Hall followed by singing and prayer in the sanctuary

* Wednesday January 1st - There will be no service

* Sunday January 5th - 4:00 PM - Communion & Footwashing

Sunday School Report 12/15/2024

12 - Students 7 - Bibles







God sent us the gift of His son wrapped in swaddling clothes