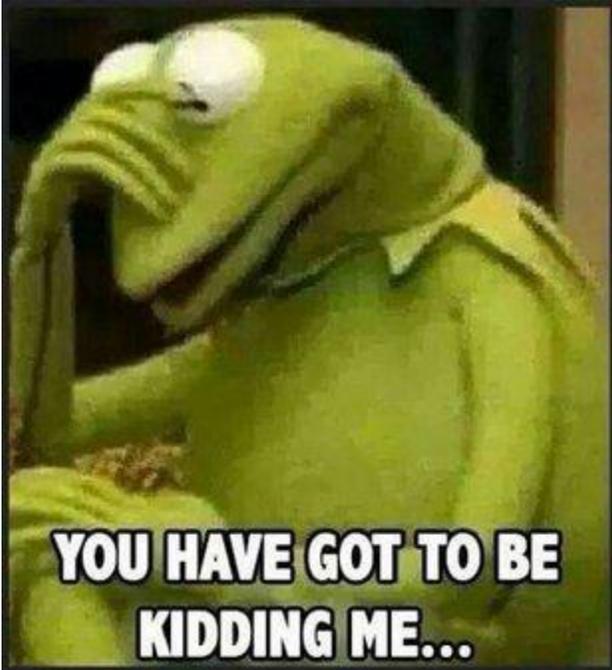


Christian, What's Wrong with
you?



Why are you
participating in Ash
Wednesday?

Ash Wednesday begins a forty day period during which Christians supposedly remember their sinfulness, repent, ask God's forgiveness, and recognize that God's forgiveness comes at an infinite price -- the death of Christ on the cross on our behalf. It is not meant as a time of false humility or prideful self-sacrifice. It reminds us that our sin separates us from God, who "demonstrates His own love toward us, in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us".



The day before **Ash Wednesday** is popularly known as **Mardi Gras** (or "Fat Tuesday"). It has developed into a time of partying and carousing, exemplified by the extravagant celebration in New Orleans. Most people who celebrate Mardi Gras attach little or no religious significance to it. Although it is better known than the following day, Ash Wednesday, it is virtually irrelevant to the spiritual focus of Christian observances.

On Ash Wednesday, the historic churches mark the beginning of this period with a special service explaining the season, calling the people to repentance, signifying repentance with ashes, by which a cross is marked on the forehead of the penitent Christian.

So what does this mean?

It means that many people who practice this **get their freak on during Mardi Gras** on Tuesday, and then become 'holy' and try to be penitent on Wednesday, using Lent as a 40 day period to show contriteness and repentance before the culmination of the holiday, Easter.

Now, we can see all sorts of WRONG with this.

Do you think that the Lord Jesus Christ will be happy with this?

Besides, Lent is actually a period of mourning for the death of Tammuz, who was killed by a boar. Does this have ANYTHING to do with the Lord Jesus Christ, His Father, the Lord of Hosts, or the Holy Ghost?

Well, does it?

Many will argue that this is a good thing to do, but the whole Easter situation was put in place by the Roman Catholic Church when they were consolidating their Empire. As was their custom, they incorporated many pagan rituals in with their new 'holidays' and 'traditions', and you can see that here.

As Disciples of Christ, we are commanded to NOT follow the pagan rituals of the heathen and we are to be set apart and sanctified unto the Lord Jesus Christ. How can you be sanctified on Wednesday when you were freaky and swinging from a chandelier, doing all kinds of debase sexual activities on Tuesday? Do you really think that on Wednesday that the Lord will 'forget' all of the freaky stuff you did?

C'mon, Man.

Be Serious.

The ashes that are put on the foreheads are a 'reminder' that we will all be ashes or dust when we die. It was also a supposed reminder of repentance, as this was what people did in biblical times to show they are repentant when they fasted with sackcloth and ashes. The Lord of Hosts would honor their repentance if the people were serious. That is a means to humble yourself down before the Lord so you could get forgiveness.

OK, that's fine, but what about 'Fat Tuesday'?

Where is the humbleness there?

The Lord of Hosts, the Lord Jesus Christ, and the Holy Ghost all despise this holiday tradition because it makes a mockery of the methods that the Lord gave the Israelites to follow. It also discounts the Passover, as this was a replacement by the Roman Catholic Church for the Passover. Jesus did command all followers of Christ to remember the Passover and to observe the Feast of unleavened Bread.

As you can see, **the Roman Catholic Church has perverted the Passover** and made a whole new 'tradition' that BILLIONS of people keep, not knowing that they are fasting and mourning for Tammuz, which was the Sun god.

Fun Facts about Ash Wednesday

Fact #1:

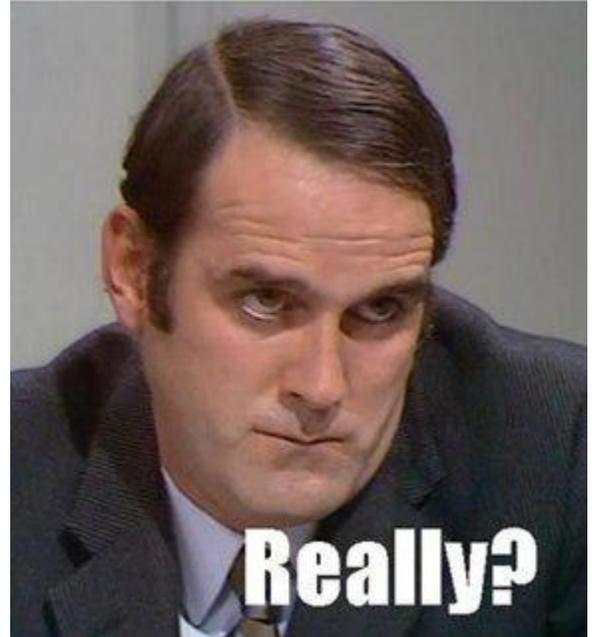
Ash Wednesday comes right after Fat Tuesday, where debauchery and revelry abound.

Fact #2:

The Ashes on Ash Wednesday are supposed to be a reminder of repentance.

Fact #3:

Ash Wednesday is the first day of Lent, which actually is a 40 day time of mourning for Tammuz, the sun god.



Fact #4:

This whole ritual was put in place by the Roman Catholic Church to consolidate their empire, which replaced Passover with Easter, which does not exist.

Fact #5:

This tradition is despised by the Lord of Hosts because His people are worshipping a foreign god, which is an abomination to Him. The Lord of Hosts reacts violently to those who turn away from Him for another god.



The Lord Jesus Christ is NOT Impressed

Many of you are just finding out that **is a tradition and a ritual** that has NO basis in following Christ at all. This is repackages ritual **that actually has you worshipping the Sun God!** You would be like these people in scripture:

Ezekiel 8:12-14 - Then said he unto me, Son of man, hast thou seen what the ancients of the house of Israel do in the dark, every man in the chambers of his imagery? for they say, The LORD seeth us not; the LORD hath forsaken the earth.

He said also unto me, Turn thee yet again, and thou shalt see greater abominations that they do. Then he brought me to the door of the gate of the LORD'S house which was toward the north; and, behold, there sat women weeping for Tammuz. Then said he unto me, Hast thou seen this, O son of man? turn thee yet again, and thou shalt see greater abominations than these. And he brought me into the inner court of the LORD'S house, and, behold, at the door of the temple of the LORD, between the porch and the altar, were about five and twenty men, with their backs toward the temple of the LORD, and their faces toward the east; and they worshipped the sun toward the east.

As it shows here, what were the Israelites doing? They were worshipping the sun god, and this is why they were all facing East!! Do you really think that the Lord is going to just 'turn a blind eye' when you go through this ritual and NOT say something to you?

The visceral reaction of the Lord to the worship of the sun god by the Israelites should tell you something, Christian. If the Lord did NOT sanction something, He is NOT going to accept it. The Lord did NOT sanction Easter, or anything leading up to this, so these practices are ERROR and if you follow these practices, you will need to repent. You are committing idolatry when you take part in this ritual, Christian, so repent today and get this off of your ledger as soon as you can!!

O foolish Christians, who has bewitched you?



Now is the time to stop being foolish, Christian. Go to the Lord Jesus Christ RIGHT NOW and get your repentance for your actions and then sanctify yourself and get cleansed of this sin, Christian. Sit with the Lord Jesus Christ and ask Him what other holidays you are celebrating that are not pleasing to Him and then CHANGE.

As always, **don't take our word for anything.** Go **directly to the Lord Jesus Christ yourself** and confirm what we are saying. Be sure to keep talking to Him and establish your own **PERSONAL** relationship with Him.