

## BABYLON

Gen 10. Ham (swarthy one) Cush (blackened one=spiritual characteristics), Nimrod began to build Babel. Went to Shinar as far away from place God revealed self. 1st organized anti-god rel. Wife of Nimrod was Semerimus and son Tammuz who she claimed was fulfillment of Gen 3:15. Symbol was mother holding child in arms. Babylonian rel spread to Phoenicia and names changed to Ashteroth and Tammuz and worshipped sun and all under name Baal. Then to Pergamos (Rev. 2:13). Then Egypt where names Isis and Horus. In Greece Aphrodite and Eros. Rome, Venus and Cupid.

Doctrine. Mother was queen of heaven (Semerimus). Sal administered thru sprinkling and cleansings. Tammuz supposedly went hunting and slain by wild boar. All temple virgins fasted for 40 days. Afterward on feast of Ishtar (=Semerimus=Ashteroth) Tammuz resurrected. Made annual feast and egg made sacred to Tammuz. Eggs exchanged. Evergreen tree symbol of life. Semerimus worshiped by offering round cake marked by T or X.

Jer 44. Under Ahab Is returned to this worship. vv16, 18, 19, 25. Ezek 8:13. Mourning for Tammuz. Caesars crowned emperors and Pontifex Maximus (high priest). Constantine said if victorious over Maxentius bec of vision of flag with cross and in this sign conquer. 312 Xnty declared rel of Roman empire and all mother-child worship now Xntized.

### Gog and Magog

1. =Rev 20.
2. =invasion of Pal by Neb in 600. But Ezek prophesied 593-560.
3. Beg of M. Ezek 38:8, 11-dwell safely.
4. Beg of trib. Same reason. But results are so drastic that couldn't be #3 bec X ruling and at beg of trib Man of sin protecting Jerus.
5. At Armageddon. But nowhere else said.
6. Prelude to Arm.