CHRISTmas DATE DEBATE

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4/4 time (Intro pickup = 0) (Verse pickup = 1) TEMPO: **120** BPM dedicated to God's Son - Born on RIGHT day, whichever: July 2024 INTRO Music written 21 June 2012 for "CHRISTmas Trinity Child" Album: Amazing **CHRIST** 'n' **Christmas** REF: 35-262

KEY LINE: "If GOD had thought it important, He'd have <u>TOLD</u> His Son's birth date!" JESUS READ <u>one</u> PROPHECY of HIMSELF (Isaiah 61) -- <u>WHY</u> He came that first CHRIST-mas -- in the Temple as He began His ministry - **ANOTHER** date God did not tell: and **That does NOT matter.**

ARGUMENTS DRIVE people <u>AWAY</u> from *wanting* to seek God.

THE IMPORTANT ANSWER is found in most Christmas hymns:
"O COME LET US <u>ADORE HIM</u>, <u>CHRIST</u> THE LORD" <u>EVERY</u> day. Including December 25.

INTRO -- repeated at end as OUTRO

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God promised in Zechariah 2: 10, He would come to EARTH.

He'd dwell on Earth, live here with us in our Midst.

Through Christ, God DID this

Through His Son, God saves us!

PRELUDE

* pronounce with a long "i"

God loves us and sent us His Son, Jesus, on that first *CHRISTmas.

See John 1: 14. Jesus came to dwell AMONG us, to SHOW Father God!

Luke One describes what happened when God's Son came to

Dwell among us as a BABE.

God did NOT bother to tell us the Day when He sent His Son. Arguments of that date insult God, for they say

God forgot to say clearly what we should know.

(INTERLUDE)

VERSE 1

About this TIME called CHRISTmas, each December 25th:

Does it REALLY matter what month OR day it is?

IF God thought it important, He'd have TOLD His Son's birth Date.

SO:

Since God did not state the Date, we DON'T NEED it to celebrate!

CHORUS

Use the Date to THANK Him!

On Christmas Day, celebrate our Savior! EVERY day, thank God for Salvation.

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VERSE 2

It's nice to have a special day to celebrate ANY birth:

BUT we don't need the exact date to show Love and Honor.

Like long ago when people had no record of their birth Date.

SO:

They'd just pick a date that those who loved them chose to celebrate! (CHORUS)

VERSE 3

We CAN enjoy traditions in December to tell Christ

How we love Him so Deeply and thank God for sending Him. <John 3:16>

Just because some custom picked this same date for false gods

Does NOT mean we celebrate them!

SO:

STOP debates that drive people AWAY from God! (CHORUS)

OUTRO

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READING AT END OF SONG -- followed by repeating QUIETLY the INTRO

ANY day is a wonderful day to celebrate, to PRAISE God for sending Jesus to **DWELL** AMONG US. (See John 1:14, showing that Jesus fulfilled God's PROMISE in Zechariah 2: 10). My own grandmother had friends WHO DID NOT KNOW **WHEN** their OWN birthday was: Often only rich families could afford a nice Family Bible with the Babies Born record of birth dates. Often people didn't know their own dates..... SO they'd just "Pick a date". And if those who LOVED them wanted to, they'd CELEBRATE **that** CHOSEN date. Christ-mas is **JUST ONE DAY** / DATE to specially show Christ love.

Such **FOOLISH arguing** amongst us (see Titus 3), to *argue* about **whether Jesus was born on** "December 25th" -- or some date in the Spring of the year, when Lambs are born and sacrificed: 100s of ACTUAL dates are RECORDED all thru the Bible: **YET** God-Named YHWH has <u>NOT</u> cared to share THIS Date So ... Why do God's people argue that birthdays weren't celebrated back then *OR* in Jewish tradition? **THESE ARGUMENTS DRIVE people AWAY** from *wanting* to seek God. THE IMPORTANT ANSWER is found in most Christmas hymns:

"O COME LET US <u>ADORE</u> HIM, <u>CHRIST</u> THE LORD".... **EVERY** day. Including December 25.

(END OF SONG'S READING)	
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IMPORTANT Answer to Question of Debating the Date is at the END of this music sheet

- Many Christmas TRADITIONS are SELF-ish: not about CHRIST, YET: YES: Many DO show Christ that we LOVE and WORSHIP and THANK Him.
- Bible studies re True Date of that first Christmas are *interesting* -- But NOT Impt. LOGIC: If we *NEEDED* to know, God would've made that info *CLEAR* in Bible.
- YES: The traditional December 25th date celebrates as if Jesus was born at the Winter Solstice -- and maybe He was... WHY: Because He's the LIGHT of the World: God's very much into Symbolism. YET:

A Study of the word "DWELL"

Jesus CLEARLY said that He was The Good Shepherd who came to "Dwell among us" (John 1:14) -quoting God-Named-YHWH (Isaiah 42:8 Hebrew) who HIMSELF prophesied in Zechariah 2:10 that HE would come to be with us ON EARTH.... (Autumn is when lambs were often born, which is why some people CLAIM that "The Lamb of God was born at THAT time.) "Sing and rejoice, O daughter of Zion! For behold, I am coming and I will ** **DWELL** ** in your midst," says the LORD... "Many nations shall be joined to the LORD in that day, and they shall become My people. And I will ** **DWELL** ** in your midst. Then you will know that the LORD of hosts has sent Me to you."

In Exodus 28:8, God promised: "And let them make Me a sanctuary, that I may dwell among them." In Exodus 29:45. God REPEATED >>

> "I will dwell among the children of Israel and will be their God. And they shall know that I AM the LORD their God, who brought them up out of the land of Egypt, that I may **dwell** among them. I AM the LORD their God."

BUT THEN, repeatedly, God's people rejected Him, and did whatever they wanted---- even worshiped false gods. So God LEFT them... see Jeremiah 11. Four HUNDRED years passed between the Prophet of Malachi speaking for God -- to people who STILL ignored God --

and when God in Mercy again spoke to the people through John the Baptist. God IS The ONLY Good Shepherd -- as HE says in Isaiah 43. The Pharisees KNEW that Jesus was CLEARLY stating that *HE* was God Who came to "Dwell among us" (Zech. 2:10) -- and the Pharisees did not want to give up their control and praises from the people even to God Among Them.

God FULFILLED His prophecy in Zechariah 2 verse 10 >>>

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The word SUKKOT means "to tabernacle... to DWELL with PHYSICALLY"... The Hebrew word is USED 92 times as "living THERE"... As in: On earth. John 1:14. IMPT: But Sukkot's date CHANGES from year to year (based on the moon phase), & is on God's specified date THAT year. THE IMPORTANT QUESTION:

Does it MATTER that December 25th may not be the actual "Christmas Day" ??

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