

The UNIVERSAL CIRCLE



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The Universal Circle Dance

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Introduction



Do you believe in the written word of Yahuwah? I sure do! We all need to stay awake so that we do not make the following mistake, "Woe to those who call evil good, and good evil; who put darkness for light, and light for darkness; who put bitter for sweet, and sweet for bitter!"

(Yahuwah/Isaiah 5:20)

Throughout this book, my desire is for us to reason together, to separate truth from error. My desire is not to come across as being judgmental, but for us not to be led astray. For it is written,

"if it were possible, even the elect would be seduced (deceived)" (MattithYahu/Matthew 24:24, Mark 13:22)

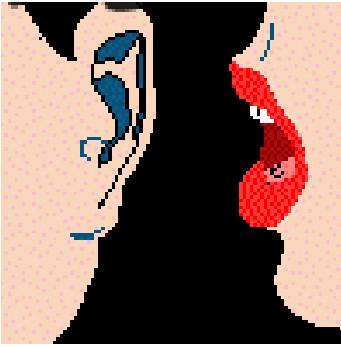
At times, during the process of writing this book I did not want to learn about these pagan ways that have crept into the small flock. The reason: I know believers, some whom I consider Brothers and Sisters in Mashiach who fully participate in this type of worship. While other members of the body have not heard of circle dancing.

My heart is saddened. My eyes overflow with tears. My body trembles because who am I to correct? I too am a sinner saved by the precious blood of the perfect Lamb, Yahushua Ha Mashiach. Are we, the body of Mashiach, not called to be watchmen? If we watch and then observe suspicious activity yet remain silent, whose

blood will be on whose hands? Was not the great prophet, Yehezqel/Ezekiel told that *if he did not speak he would be accountable?* (Yehezqel 33:8-9) *We all must give account* (Romans 14:12).

I'm a fellow believer having a strong desire to learn the truth as many others. Yahuwah has placed it on my heart to share this with all. However, I cannot overlook how we are told in Hoshea 4:6 that "*My people are destroyed for lack of knowledge.*" *We should not be ignorant of the devices the adversary uses to deceive the multitudes of people,* (2 Corinthians 2:11). Wouldn't you agree?

Most of us are aware that for everything that is true, HaShatan (the adversary) has a counterfeit for. Yahuwah has His weekly Sabbaths, High Sabbaths, His Feast days, His seal, His Commandments and wants us to worship HIM. He has Prophets and Messengers. Yahuwah even sent His only brought-forth Son, Yahushua Ha Mashiach to die a horrible death for our sins. At the same time, HaShatan has his weekly sabbath, holidays, a mark and desires the people to worship him as well. He even has his own prophets and messengers. Satan has false messiahs, such as Mithra, to cause confusion amongst the people.



One way we can tell the two apart is that Yahuwah does not need put on a show because He is all Powerful. Whereas, the adversary loves to put on spectacular shows! The true Creator of all will not *tickle* one's ears unlike the adversary and his messengers who they love to

whisper sweet nothings in our ears.

When we do come to a double image, we must carefully put everything under the microscope, testing its authenticity. So with that said let us initiate the process.

“Because it is time for judgment to begin from the House of Yahuwah. And if firstly from us, what is the end of those who do not obey the Good News of Elohim?” 1 Kepha/1 Peter 4:17

Around and Around They Go!

“**Circumbulation** (circumbulating) is moving around something in a circle. It is a very **old magical** and **religious rite**, and circular dances as a part of ritual are known all from all over the world.” (2).

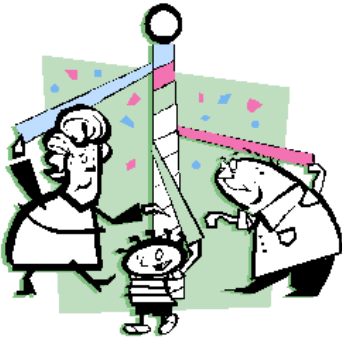
What I find interesting is that when I talked with Lew White, a Messianic Leader and the Author of the very popular "Fossilized Customs" book about the **Circle Dance**, He said, "*Any form of circumbulating is of a **pagan** source.*" Many of us should be asking Mr. White along with other Messianic leaders who are aware of the paganism involved in Circle Dancing, why they remain silent. These fakes are not interested in your best interest. They want to itch your ears while you give them your money. They are looking for popularity and gain. Another popular Messianic singer has told me, "You knew you would not be popular when you wrote this book!" Yet He also remains silent about Circle Dancing. I am left to wonder if people circle dance during His performances.

Sabean worship consists of worshiping the whole celestial body of heaven. As the planets **circumbulate** the sun, the people mimic this motion as they circumbulate a **physical or an imaginary** (visualized) object.



Some childhood games that seem innocent enough are actually full of pagan fertility religious worship rites, as some say in honor of 'Mother Earth.' Games like; **"Here We Go Round The Mulberry Bush"**, **"Loopy Lou,"** **"Oats, Peas, Beans, and Barley Grows"** and **"Ring Around the Rosey."** You might remember the ending to that one, '***we all fall down***'.

All these games involve a sacrificial victim and a **circle dance** of holding hands. Originally, the word **carole** derives from the Greek word **choros** meaning, "**a circle of dances with everyone holding hands.**"



Let's try it again, boys!

Another famous **circle dance** is the Maypole. A Phallic worship in honor of the fertility god/dess. The May-pole celebration takes place during the last to first week in May. But at times was even held in the month of June. This dance is done by girls and boys.



They dance around the pole (which is the symbol of the male generative organ). The dance is done by counter clock-wise and clock-wise movements. The ribbons are twisted, to intertwine around each other. Regardless of the different names it has had throughout time, the Maypole is still a pagan fertility celebration.

You may be thinking right about now, *"Oh how awful,"* letting out a big sigh of relief, *"Uhhh! At least our **circle dances** are scriptural! We aren't dancing around some pole!"*

Like flood water rising, so has the **Circle Dance**. This dance is resurfacing at an alarming rate. Many different groups around the world, have revived, **"The Universal Circle Dance."** Astonishing, there are special retreats, workshops available, instructional videos and even team competition events, all involving the **Circle Dance**.

The **Circle Dance** goes back to ancient of days. Archeologists found a rock in Luxor Egypt dated 3000 B.C., a drawing of girls holding hands in a circle. They also found in modern day Iran, the same **circle dance** dated around 2000 B.C. in Elam. (4)

"And they left all the commands of YAHUWAH their Elohim, and made for themselves a moulded image, two calves, and made an Asherah and bowed themselves to all the host of the heavens, and served Ba'al," 2 Melakim/2 Kings 17:16

"Wikipedia," the free encyclopedia online tell us the following: "the circle is probably the oldest known dance formation. It is found in the dances of many cultures, including ancient Greek (chorea), African, Eastern European, Irish Celtic, Catalan (sardana), South American and North American Indian. Circle dances mix traditional folk dances, mainly from European or Near-Eastern sources, with recently choreographed ones to a variety of music both ancient and modern." (6)

The **Circle Dance** is folk dancing. History shows us that the popular Israeli Folk Dance is roughly seventy to one hundred years old. Most of the dances originated around 1905-1950, with modern choreographed steps. For instance, in 1920 Baruch Agadati, thought up the Hora (**Circle**) Agadati **Dance**. Please keep these facts in mind, as you read the following pages.

The '**Universal Circle Dance**', as it should be called, is known by many names. For instance:

1. Sacred Dance
2. Circle Dance
3. Sacred Circle Dance
4. Horas circle
5. Kolos circle
6. Choros circle

The following are just **some** of the religious groups that use the **circle dance** to worship their deity/deities:

1. Christian
2. Islam
3. Judaism
4. Kabbalah
5. Messianic
6. Native Indian
7. New Age
8. Wicca

Even though these range from all cultures, backgrounds and religious faiths, they **All** have many similarities within them. One may believe in polytheism, whereas others may be monotheism.

Circle dance worships the same deity. The deity(ies) are just called by different names in each culture. For instance, the Roman deity of war was named Mars. The Norse deity was named Tiu. The Greeks gave the same deity the name of Ares. According to the Native American, this deity's name was Ictinike. The Egyptians worshiped Seth as the deity of war, whereas, the Babylonians worshiped Resef.

Others praised and worshiped Mother Earth. In the Scriptures, we learn how many would make cakes to the **'Queen of Heaven' (YirmeYahuwahu/Jeremiah 7:18; 44:17-19; 44:25)**. This fertility deity has many names; she was called Astarte by the Phoenician, Asherali to the Canaanites. She was Osiris, Mut and Isis in Egypt. The Greeks called her, Artemis, Aphrodite and Gaia. To the Romans, she was Juno, Maia, and Venus. She also goes by the names of Diana, Ishtar, Freya, Frigg, Eostre, Mylitta, Isis, Eastre and Athena. There was even a dance for the deity of death. The Greeks called this deity Hades. For the Egyptians the deity was Osiris, Pluto for the Romans.



Groups of Egyptian gods;
Ptah, Knum,
Hathor, and Neith (8).

Greeks called the deity of all deities Zeus. Other cultures called this deity Apollo, Jupiter, Thor, Odin, Amon-Ra, Marduk, Mithras, Awonawilona and Amun. The Muslim's deity is Allah. Other cultures danced the

circle dance in the highest regard in honor of **'The Great Spirit.'** Who is the Great Sprit many danced/dance to? The very popular, **'Sun Dance'** was eventually banned and replaced with the 'Ghost Dance.' Many rituals were and still are performed in the **circle dance**.

Native American Indian

Like a trumpet sounding off in my ears, echo the words of Romans 1:25; “Who changed the truth of Elohim into falsehood, and worshiped and served what was created rather than the Creator, who is blessed forever. Amein.”

Have you ever been to a Pow-Wow? I had thought of attending one, since I am a Native American. On the surface, Pow-Wows seem innocent enough. People getting together to see some **circle dancing**, beautiful customs, taste great food, listen to live music, see hand-made jewelry, baskets, and other trade goods. Not to mention seeing the nation of the Native Americans united in a feast of drums, music and dancing. Could the pow-wow have some forms of sun-worship? What about the Sun-Dance?



A male Shaman dressed as a women. Women are thought to be more able to contact spirits. (9)

“Wikipedia,” the free online encyclopedia online tells us the following: “A **pow-wow** (sometimes **powwow** or **pow wow** or **pau wau**) is a gathering of Native

Americans. It derives from the Narragansett word powaw, meaning **shaman**.”(10)

So, it would be safe to say that at one time, the Pow-Wow dance was actually, 'A Shaman Dance'. What is a shaman? A shaman, can be a male or female. Some call them a spirit traveler or what we would call a **witch-doctor, medicine-man, or a wizard** (to name just a few). Many believe shamans are able to control the weather and speak to the dead, **(as a medium, charmer or a channeler)**.

Shamans are also believed to interpret dreams. Scriptures tell us that there is nothing new under the sun:

"What has been is what shall be, what has been done is what shall be done, and there is no new matter under the sun." -

Qoheloth/Ecclesiastes 1:9

In the book of Bereshith/Genesis, we learn that Pharaoh had a dream. He asked all the wise men and the magicians to interpret the dream. When they could not find someone to interpret the dream, they remembered a Hebrew boy, by the name of Yoseph (Joseph). Elohim revealed the dream to Yoseph (Bereshith/Genesis 41:8-32). You may remember that the Babylonian King, Nebuchadnezzar also had a dream. The only one that was able to interpret this dream was the servant that Yahuwah revealed it to. That servant being Daniel (Daniel 2:3;2:26).

Shamams also are believed to be able to raise above the spirits, perform astral projection, heal and even hurt someone. In light of this information, let us see what Elohim has to say about a shaman. (Emphasis added by me)



“When you come into the land which Yahuwah your Elohim is giving you, do not learn to do according to the **abominations** of those gentiles. Let no one be found among you who makes his son or his daughter **pass through the fire**, or one who **practices divination**, or a **user of magic**, or one **who interprets omens** or a **sorcerer**. Or one who **conjures spells**, or a **medium**, or a **spiritist**, or one **who calls up the dead**. For whoever does these are an **abomination** to YAHUWAH, and because of these abominations YAHUWAH your Elohim drives them out from before you. Be perfect before YAHUWAH your Elohim. For these **nations whom you are possessing do listen to those using magic and to diviners**. But as for you, YAHUWAH your Elohim has **not** appointed such for you.” - Debarim/Deuteronomy 18: 9-14

Pow-wows are **danced** in a **circle**. The dances are sometimes danced clockwise (sun-wise) and at other times they are danced counter clockwise. Pow-wow's may or may not be danced around bond fires. When fire is presented, it is considered to be sacred.

Just like the other groups that dance in a circle, many Native Indians hold the circle as a sacred object. They refer to this ancient symbol as the '**circle of life**'.

The religious Indians held festivals in honor of many things. For instance, the four seasons, and for hunting and harvest time. Regardless of the time of year, most celebrations included a fast and lasted for several days. They would chant songs and perform magic dances. At the end of the feast they would have an orgy.

What I find interesting is that when Mosheh (Moses) went up to Mt. Sinai to receive the Marriage Vows (Ten Commandments) during those 40 days and 40 nights, the children of Yisra'el/Israel grew restless. They had previously crossed over the Red Sea, into the wilderness. It is here, in the wilderness, that they had to be deprogrammed. Then they were taught how to worship Yahuwah in spirit and in truth. Yes, each of us go through this same process when we are called out of Babylon. Some of us feel at peace, relieved to be out of the confusion. Sadly, there remain many **Dathans and Abirams** (Bemidbar/Numbers 16:25) among us. They just can't wait to get back into the house of bondage (Egypt/Babylon), by holding onto fragments of paganism.

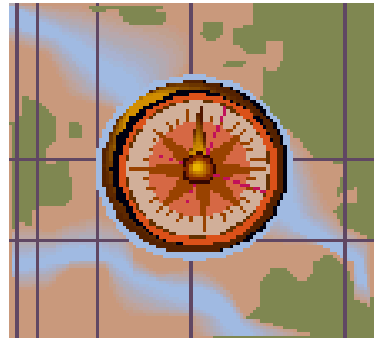
As their impatience grew, they begged Aaron to make a golden calf. When the idol was made, Aaron gave the proclamation that the next day was a feast in honor of Yahuwah. Aaron took the abomination a step further. They mixed the worship claiming it would be acceptable to Yahuwah. After they sacrificed, **danced** and ate, they arose to play/amuse themselves. They

fornicated (had sex). This was not an acceptable feast unto Yahuwah. Twenty-three thousand fell that day (Shemoth/Exodus 32:4-6; 1 Corinthians 10:7-9).

Do you see any similarities between the Native American feast and the feast Aaron declared in honor of Yahuwah? The children of Yisra'el/Israel greatly sinned, after the fact. Sadly, they still worshiped what they had witnessed for 400 years of slavery in Mitsrayim/Egypt. If any of us still need a little deprogramming, let us not worship Yahuwah the Mighty One of Yisra'el/Israel as the heathen worship their deities. This includes the way the Egyptians worshiped.

During some Pow-wows, logs would be made in a form of a cross pointing to the four corners of the earth (North, South, East and West).

Then the logs would become the burnt offering in honor of the four winds. At other times, dancers would make up the four parts of a compass ¹³ (North, South, East and West). There are rules one must abide by when attending a Pow-wow! The following is a list of some of these rules (11) (emphasis added by me, my thoughts are in parenthesis)



<http://www.pabineaufirstnation.ca/Annual%20Pow%20Wow.htm>

1. Pow-wows are fun events, but they are also **sacred** events. Ceremonial songs and **dances**, which are **sacred**, are performed from time to time throughout the pow-wow. (In other words Pow-wows is a form of worship)
2. People should stand during all ceremonial songs and dances. These include the Grand Enter, Flag Songs, Veteran Songs, Honor Songs and any other songs that the M.C. designates as ceremonial songs.
3. Do not take any photos or video or sound recordings of ceremonies without asking permission from the person or group you are recording. Some areas of Turtle Island do not allow the recording of ceremonies, period. (I wonder why? What is done in secret will eventually be known, Luke 8:17)
4. People should listen to the M.C. (Master Ceremonies) because he will announce the different songs and will also let people know when they can dance and when they ¹⁴ot. He will also give out other information and news.
5. Respect the Elders, ¹⁵ammers, singers, dancers, and the pow-wow staff and committee.
6. The dancers wear **regalia** while they are dancing, not "costumes." People should not touch the regalia before asking for permission. (Some websites say the regalia holds special religious meaning to the wearer. Hmmm...like a rabbit's tail?)

7. Appropriate dress and behavior are required in the dance area.

8. People should take good care of their children at pow-wows. Please make sure they are not getting into other peoples personal items as they are dancing.

9. Do not hold children while dancing in the dance area unless carrying the child in a carrier on the back. **The child may be construed as a gift to the Creator. (Which Creator? Molech?)**

10. Do not run around the dance area. Always walk in a **clockwise direction** when you are in the **dance area**. Horseplay is not tolerated.

11. Do not bring alcohol or drugs to a pow-wow. Do not come to a pow-wow while you are intoxicated.

12. **Dogs** are not allowed around the pow-wow area. They **may become drums**. (I do not understand this at all.)

13. Bring your own chairs. Do not sit on someone else's chair unless you have their permission.

14. Shelters are for the ¹⁵ ers so please move if you see your seat is needed.

15. The **Sacred fire** is also a ceremony and a place for prayer. Respect to fire keepers and no fooling around the fire. **(Some websites claim that you cannot turn your back on the sacred fire)**

16. Women on their time cannot attend the pow-wow. Their bodies are going through a ceremony and the energy around them is too powerful. Please stay home as the **dancers** and **drummers** can become **very ill from the conflicting energies.**
(Interesting.)

17. Remember you are a guest. Have fun, ask questions and meet people.

The arena that the **dance circle** (Pow-wow) is held in is considered sacred. Everyone is to enter the only **invisible** entrance which is located on the **east side**.

The four cardinal directions (North, South, East and West) are to be respected by the believer. **East being the main one because of the rising of the sun.** The **drum is considered sacred** and the **heartbeat of Mother Earth.** The creation is being worshiped and not the Creator.



“who changed the truth of Elohim into the falsehood, and worshipped and served what was created rather than the Creator, who is blessed forever. Aměn.” -Romans 1:25

During a Pow-wow dance,¹⁶ many believe the creator, the '*Great Spirit*', to be Gisoolg. They give their praises to a counterfeit, Gisoolg and not to Yahuwah. They also worship Mother Earth.

A Pow-wow is believed to:

1. Bring healing to all those who need to be healed.
2. Bring spiritual guidance.
3. Cleanse the mind, body and spirit.

As a believer, in Yahushua Ha Mashiach, I find these things to be contrary to what the Scriptures reveal to us. Scriptures tell us: (emphasis added)

"But He was pierced for our transgressions, He was crushed for our crookednesses. The chastisement for our peace was upon Him, and by His stripes we are healed 17 !." -YeshaYahu/Isaiah 53:5

If we be of Mashiach, then we will receive the comforter which will teach us all things. Therefore, let us open our vessels up to be led by the Ruach Ha Qodesh (Set-Apart Spirit).

"But the Helper, the Set-apart Spirit, whom the Father shall send in My Name, He shall teach you all, and remind you of all that I said to you."
-Yohanan/John 14:26

If our helmet, is the mind of Mashiach, then our mind, body and being shall be cleansed. (Ephesians 6:17; 1 Corinthians 2:16) We, as believers, need to stay awake! Let us put on the whole armor of Yahuwah.

"Put on the complete armor of Yahuwah, for you to have power to stand against the schemes of the

devil."

-Ephesians 6:11

If you do not think this is a salvation issue, then may I kindly remind you that if anyone worshiped anything other than the true Creator of heaven and earth, they would be stoned to death. Of course, we no longer stone people because Yahuwah will take care of all those who oppose Him and His Son.

"And hath gone and served other mighty ones, and bowed down to them, or to the **sun** or to the **moon** or to any of the **host of the heavens**, which I have not commanded, and it has been **made known to you** and you have heard, and has **searched diligently**. Then see if true: the matter is confirmed that **such an abomination has been done in Israel**, then you shall ¹⁸ing out to your gates that man or women who has done this evil matter, and you shall stone to death that man or women with stones."

-Deuteronomy/Debarim 17:3-5

A famous American Indian, by the name of Wovoka was a shaman (weather doctor). In 1889 he went into a trance, going into the spiritual realm.



This is common for shamans (channelers). When he came out of his trance, Wovoka claimed that their deity had told them to live peacefully with the white man.

Wovoka (Jack Wilson) pictured seated (13) Wovoka (Jack Wilson) started a religious movement through his '**Ghost Dance**.' He was also told, while in this trance state, that if they performed the **dance** for **five days**, they would not only be happy but would also help bring in the **New World** sooner. (Side note: some, claim that YAHUWAH wants His people to **circle dance** for **seven days**.) Wow, this is amazing! Could this have been the little bit of revival that was needed to jump start the **circle dance**? Many Native Americans, from all over the United States, traveled to Nevada to hear about this new *religious movement*.

The Mormons even joined in this new religious movement. Interesting to know, is that the Mormons (Church of the Latter-Day Saints of Jesus Christ) founder, John Smith Jr. believed a messiah would appear that year. This messiah would be among the Native American Indians. Many believed that Wovoka was this saviour or messiah to **unite many people**, tongues and **bring in the new world**.

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“For there shall arise false Messiah’s and false prophets, and shall show great signs and wonders; insomuch that, if it were possible, they shall deceive the very elect.” MattithYahu/Matthew/24:24

Wovoka is the one that led the Paiutes' **circle dance**. Men and women would **move round and round, holding hands going clockwise**. We must remember the **circle dance** was not new.

Not only did Wovoka, adopt worldly influences, he also mixed religious beliefs. This is dangerous. A little leaven ruins the whole. We cannot mix truth with errors! He and his wife agreed with parts of Christianity. Wovoka, just like Christians, believed in One Great deity, but he believed this one great deity to be the **sun**. Sound familiar? The sun-deity has gone by so many names throughout the centuries. That dragon, still manages to cast stumbling blocks in front of the children of Yisra'el/Israel.



In Wovoka trance state, when the sun-deity told him to tell his people this, to me, is the same thing as Constantine's vision of seeing the cross. We know this led to the birth of the **universal religion**.

The **circle dance** was a major part of Wovoka's new religion. That is why this religion was called, ***Nanigukwa***, meaning '**dance in a circle.**'



(14) Animal Dance such as Buffalo Dance

Oh my Brothers and Sisters, let us ponder here for a moment. The following is a list of facts that we have learned thus far:

1. Wovoka was a Native American
2. He was a Shaman
3. When he was in a trance-state, his deity told him to do the **circle dance** for **five days.**
4. What deity did he believe in? The sun.

Interesting to note, is that quite a few Native American Indians saw the similarities between the Christian faith and Wovoka's new religious movement. His religious movement was even labeled, "**Dance to Christ.**"

The **circle dance** brought much debauchery. Many believed the dancing and the singing would release some special power. Some of these dances were as follows:



(15) Devil Dance, dancers wearing demonic animal mask

1. Rain dance
2. Bear dance
3. The healing dance
4. The harvest dance
5. War dance
6. Fertility dance

None of these things can be manipulated or controlled by man. We can simply acknowledge whom it is that brings the rain, who opens the womb, who gives life and takes it away, the one that controls everything, we are to serve, give thanks and praises to His Name, **Yahuwah!**

There is no need to do a dance to fight off any evil spirits just, *“Submit yourselves to Yahuwah and the devil will flee.”* (James 4:7) *For even the devils know there is one, yet they tremble”.* (James 2:19)

“And, see, they (demons) cried out, saying, “What have we to do with you, You, Yahushua, Son of Elohim? Have you come here to torture us before the appointed time?” - MattithYahu/Matthew 8:29

“By dancing the round dance, Great Basin Indians gave thanks to the mysterious entities that made their existence possible and enjoyable. Directing prayers to Ape or “father” the great spiritual power behind all things.”(16)

Wovoka also believed that the **circle dance** would close the gap between the living and the dead bringing them together. Sounds like what many believe Samhain-night or Halloween to be.

Wovoka's religious movement was also referred to as, wanagi wacipi, meaning "*ghost dance*" (spirit dance).

Six years prior to Wovoka trance in 1889, the United States Government in 1883 put an end to what they called, '**evil practices**' such as the "**Sun Dance**." The "**Sun Dance**" was performed in a **circle**, **holding hands** and at times **circling around a sacred pole or tree** (sun-dance= **circle dance**).

Clearly, the government rejected the "**Sun Dance**", but later they gladly accepted it under the friendlier title, "**Dance to Christ**". We know the white man wanted to change an entire nation. Converting them to the **Universal Religion**, Christianity. Under the old guise, known as Mithraism.



(17) The Circle Dance

Many tribal dancers, say when they do this dance they see their dead relatives. The left picture shows the Lakotas who live on Rosebud Reservation doing the **circle dance**. Many are believing that by doing the **circle**

dance they are **uniting into oneness**. Having one father. Look familiar?

Who is your Abba? The Great I Am, Yahuwah El' Shaddai or the counterfeit, HaShatan (Nimrod, Baal, Dagon, Tammuz, Mithra, Zeus, Jupiter, Indra, Amon-Ra,

Ahura Mazda, Thor, Molech, Sol, etc.) the unconquerable sun?

Just like others before Wovoka (for example Constantine) and after him (many modern lukewarm wolves in sheep clothing), what Wovoka really did was create a '***malt of religious confusion (Babylon)***'.

He picked, chose, and crossed out what looked good and felt great to him. "*Having a form of godliness but denying the power within*" (2 Timothy 3:5). By adding a pinch of truth, to the already pagan idolatry mixture, when the mixing is done what remains is a wishy-washy watered-down foundation of man's untempered mortar!

"And I shall **throw down the wall that you have coated with white wash**, and bring it down to the ground, so that its **foundation shall be uncovered. And it shall fall**, and you shall be consumed in the midst of it. And you shall know that I am YAHUWAH So I shall complete My Wrath upon the wall, and on those coating it with whitewash, and will say to you, 'The wall is no more, nor those whitewashing it-'
-Yehezqel/Ezekiel 13:14-15

The foundation was and still is Yahushua Ha Mashiach (1 Corinthians 3:11). After the true foundation of Yahushua Ha Mashiach is built, then the walls of obedience shall be constructed. In the event that one does not have him as the foundation it is instead built on man's untempered mortar, it will fall! What kind of mortar holds your walls, truth or lies? Is there a little leaven in

your worship? Are you worshipping him in Spirit? What about Truth? Since Yahuwah is a Spirit we need to worship Him in both spirit and truth.

The NEW AGE and the WICCAN Sacred Circle Dance

"Dictionary.com" defines **New Age** as: "Of or relating to a complex set of spiritual and consciousness-raising movements originating in the 1980s and covering a range of themes from a belief in spiritualism and reincarnation to advocacy of holistic approaches to health and ecology." (18)



The New Age (Holistic) Movement, involves Eastern Religions, like Hindu, Buddhist and Yoga. It is a mixture of medicine, religion and science. The main purpose behind this faith is simple... oneself.

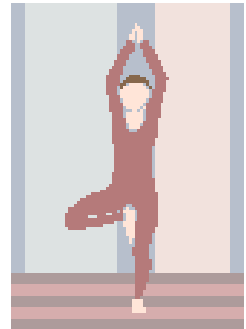
This form of worship, known as self-realization, is when one searches to find their higher self. God is believed to be in all and everything is god. This ideology is nothing new. There are groups within Christianity that believe the same thing. That we all may become little gods or little 'christs'.



The main goal, for the New Ager is to reach an '**altered state of consciousness.**' There are many techniques, the believer can practice. When the believer reaches this state of mind, then they have achieved a higher form of self. They have found god within themselves.

“To dance then is to pray, to meditate, to enter into communion with the larger dance, which is the universe.”-Jean Houston.(19)

May I suggest reading that quote over again? Please do, I'll wait. Many New Agers do the **circle dance**. This form of dancing is worship. They are praying, meditating (form of blanking out the mind) and wanting to be one with the Universe.

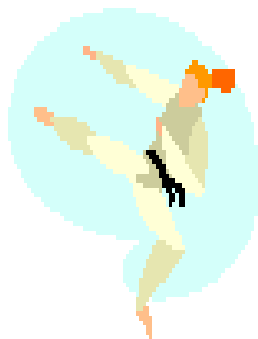




Jean Houston is a New Age speaker. Her beliefs are based on New Age and the Occult. One of her many books is called, "Mind Games." She even taught Hillary Clinton imagery mediation. Another quote of hers is : *"I predict that in our lifetime we will see the rise of essentially a **New World Religion...** I believe a new spiritual system will emerge..."*

[Dictionary.com](https://www.dictionary.com) defines **Wicca** as:

A polytheistic Neo-Pagan nature religion inspired by various pre-Christian western European beliefs, whose central deity is a mother goddess and which includes the use of herbal magic and benign witchcraft. Old English Wicca, necromancer, See Witch." (20)



In these end times, way too many people think that witchcraft is cool. Just harmless fun, they say. The reality is, a staggering number of children fall victims to witchcraft daily. Many are in bondage from this so-called harmless fun.

If you or anyone you know suffers from these cords of bondage known as witchcraft, hear me, there is a **Way Out**! There is **One** that came to set the captives free (Luke 4:18) There is **ONE** that can Set **YOU**

free...His Name Is Above all Names. Call on HIS Name, **Yahushua Ha Mashiach**. If you are wanting to come out of this satanic religion and need someone to talk to, please feel free to contact us at the address on the back cover of this book.

During the last seven years, witchcraft has grown at an alarming rate. Christian churches from various parts of the world have incorporated it and suffered greatly. Many claim to live by the Set-Apart Scriptures, yet they seem to have overlooked what the final authority on this subject has to say. Let me remind you here how Elohim feels about witchcraft: (emphasis added)

*“Let no one be found among you who makes his son or his daughter to pass through the fire, or one who practices **divination**, or a **user of magic**, or one who **interprets omens** or a **sorcerer**, or one who **conjures spells**, or a **medium**, or a **spiritist**, or one who **calls up the dead**.. “For whoever does these are an abomination to YAHUWAH, and because of these abominations YAHUWAH your Elohim drives them out from before you.” - Debarim/Deuteronomy 18:10-12*

Some of you readers may not have been aware that Wicca is indeed a religion. ²⁷ Something to ponder on next time someone brings up how religion is not to be taught in the public school. Actually Wicca is considered the ‘oldest religion’ by many.

Yahuwah also tells us in 1 Shemu‘el/1 Samuel 15:23, *“For rebellion is as the sin of witchcraft.”*

Witchcraft in any form goes against the many warnings that Elohim has given us in his written letters, known as the "The Scriptures." This religion takes everything that He has said, turns it upside down, and does the total opposite.



This religion has conveniently overlooked Yahuwah by not acknowledging nor giving thanks and praises to the Creator. Yet the Wicca religion worships everything He made! For instance, earth, animals, nature, even one's self.

"Who changed the truth of Elohim into falsehood, and worshiped and served what was created rather than the Creator, who is blessed forever Amein." -Romans 1:25



He has been very patient with mankind. When the cup of the abominations of the earth runs over, His wrath will be poured out! (Has it really tilted off its axis? <http://www.divulgence.net/> Look for yourself.) The earth itself will be moved off its axis. Swaying like a drunkard.

There are many websites on the internet that offer the **circle dance** for free or for a very small donation. All dances are taught beforehand. These **dances** are just

like the other groups. They all have choreographed folk dancing steps.



By participating in the **circle dance**, the dancers believe everyone unites by the joining of hands. They become a community. The main purpose of the **circle dance** is to reach the high peak of the cone energy/power. The dance steps can start out slow then as the drums/tempo gets faster so does the dancing.

When the cone reaches its peak, the energy/power is released. The ecstasy (trance) or ecstatic power flows deep within the participants' veins, giving them a feeling of love, joy, warmth, healing and oneness. This is spread out among the circle dancers. Einstein once explained it as being, '*the ultimate religious feeling state.*' There is no doubt in my mind that the participants are indeed feeling a power.



We are told the following,

***"...the magical energy which the magicians will summon up from within themselves in the course of the ceremony. It is this energy which will force the spirit to appear, and if it were not for the circle, the energy would flow off in all directions and be dissipated."*(21)**

The power/energy that is released is demonic activity. We are told the following:

“For we wrestle not against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against the ruler of darkness of this world, against spiritual wickedness in high places.” -Ephesians 6:12



Just like during the Pow-wow, the spirits of the four corners of the earth or the compass (north, south, east and west) are first summoned. After man has managed to stir up these demonic spirits with their little mighty one in a box, they begin to feel the demonic spirit(s). Some may fall to the ground or they all may fall down with blanked out minds. Remember the childhood game called, "**Ring Around the Rosie**" I mentioned earlier under, "Introduction"? The ending to that is, "We all fall down". Does it make sense now?

The goal has been achieved! The person knowingly or unknowingly has just united with the forces of the cosmos (universes). In reality, they just communicated with the spirit world. They experienced a demonic infestation and/or a demonic healing. Sadly, they opened up the door for future demonic activity and a form of bondage. Let us not forget that demons can work miracles:



“For false messiahs and false prophets shall rise and show signs and wonders to lead astray, if possible, even the chosen ones. And you, Take

heed. See, I have forewarned you of it all." -Mark 13:22-23

"for they are spirits of demons, doing signs, which go out to the sovereigns of the entire world, to gather them to the battle of that great day of YAHUWAH the Almighty." -Revelation 16:14

James 5:14-16 tells us what we should do if there is someone sick among us:

"Is any sick among you? Let him call for the elders of the congregation; and let them pray over him, anointing him with oil in the name of the Master: And the prayer of faith shall save the sick, and the Master shall raise him up; and if he have committed sins, they shall be forgiven him. Confess your faults one to another, and pray one for another, that ye may be healed. The effectual fervent prayer of a righteous man availeth much."

Our healing should come from the above through prayer to Yahuwah and faith in His Son's name, Yahushua. Not through some healing circle(s).



The blanking out of the mind goes **against** Scriptures. We are told that **EVERY THOUGHT** needs to be brought into the obedience of Messiah. This can be done by placing every thought under the microscope. That is why Yahushua Ha Mashiach told us that one could commit adultery and murder just by the thought!

“For though we walk in the flesh, we do not fight according to the flesh. For the weapons we fight with are not fleshly but mighty in Yahuwah for overthrowing strongholds, overthrowing reasonings and every high matter that exalts itself against the knowledge of Yahuwah, taking captive every thought to make it obedient to the Messiah,” -2 Corinthians 10:3-5

Dancing is a highly effective way of trance inducing! In order for one to have their mind blanked out, the choreographed **circle dance** steps need to be kept simple for all to learn quickly. For this purpose, during the worship service, newbies are given the opportunity to learn these simple steps.

Meditation can be done in a number of different ways. One form is often called, ‘**self-realization**’. The New Ager also uses this form of meditation.

Self-Realization is when a person can actually control their own spirit. Another form of meditation is one in which many medicine men, wizards, shamans, physics, channelers, spiritual-guides, mediums, etc. call a ‘**higher consciousness**’. This is when the person communes with the spirits (demons).

Another form of meditation can occur during **repetitive rhythm** (as in musical drums, clapping the hands), **repetitive movements** (as in dance steps), and **chanting** (‘a repetitive song in which as many syllables as necessary are assigned to a single tone’ (22).

Some will use '**chant prayers**' to bring about the **blanking out of the mind**. Yahushua tells us that:

"But when ye pray, use not vain repetitions, as the heathen do: for they think that they shall be heard for their much speaking."-MattithYahu/Mathew 6:7

If you think these chant prayers, repetitious songs are only something that pagans do and this has not infiltrated the little flock... think again!

"lest Satan should take advantage of us, for we are not ignorant of his thoughts." -2 Corinthians 2:11

I'm totally thunderstruck at how many repetitious words are used in Christian and Messianic songs. I got a rude awakening when I witnessed how this demonic infestation works. The words to the song, "Amazing Grace" happened to get erased shortly after the small group began to play it. As the words quickly changed to only two repeated chants of, "Holy Father, Holy Father, Hoy Father...", the minds of most members, during that Friday Shabbat service, slowly reached a form of meditation.

The effects of the chanting was obvious as I looked towards the front. One man was slain in the spirit, laying on the hardwood floor, shaking uncontrollably. Ironically, when the music stopped so did his '*slain in the spirit*'. Sadly, like that man and countless of others that encounter some form of this ritual ecstasy of demonic infestation, their bodies (which are supposed to be the temple of Elohim) have had an accursed thing into it!

“And do not bring an abomination into your house, lest you be accursed like it. Utterly loathe it and utterly hate it, for it is accursed.” -
Debarim/Deuteronomy 7:26

"Do you not know that you are a Dwelling Place of Yahuwah and that the Spirit of Yahuwah dwells in you? If anyone destroys the Dwelling Place of Yahuwah, Yahuwah shall destroy him. For the Dwelling Place of Yahuwah is set-apart, which you are."
-1 Corinthians 3:16-17

It is a tradition by many covens (an assembly of 13 witches), that on the witches Sabbath(s) they bring the Sabbath in by performing the **circle dance** at sunset. Might I add, they are not the only ones that do this? Many Messianic Groups do this as well.

“The dances which were in ancient days performed in the worship of demons [pagan deities] are still used today at their nocturnal assembly.” “Guazzo says that they formed "a frenzied ring with hands joined and back to back; and so they dance, throwing their heads like frantic folk, sometimes holding in their hands the candles which they have before used in worshiping the devil.” (23)

Kaballah



(24)

As the curtain of this age draw closer to center stage, the apostasy continues to grow. No wonder that her cup, full of every abominable thing, runneth over. The adversary has added another ingredient called Kabbalah (Qab-bala, qabbalah, Cabbalah, Kabala, Kabbala, Qabala) to this 'Religious Malt of Babylon'.

Kabbalah means '*reception, receiving, tradition*'. Many in this faith hold on to the traditions of the oral law, the Talmud. We need to remind ourselves that the Talmud is **NOT** the Torah. Yahushua Ha Mashiach, warned us about the traditions of men:

"And in vain do they worship Me, teaching as teachings the commands of men." -Mark 7:7

"Forsaking the command of Elohim, you hold fast the traditions of men." -Mark 7:8

"And He said to them, "Well do you set aside the command of Elohim, in order to guard your tradition."
-Mark 7:9

"nullifying the Word of Elohim through your tradition which you have handed down. And many such traditions you do." -Mark 7:13

Throughout the Scriptures, we will not find a single verse that tells us that in order for one to receive knowledge of Elohim and the Cosmos, one must **learn some secret codes.**

These secret codes can be found within numerology of the Torah, the stars, etc. The word **occult** means '**hidden from the eye, not seeing or under-stood, conceal, secret things.**' (25)

The Hebrew language does not have a separate number system. Instead, the name of each Hebrew letter (there are 22 in all) is equivalent to a number. For instance, **Yod** equals the number **10** and means **hand**. **Beth** equals **2** meaning **house**.

The Kabbalist (Jewish Mysticism or the Christian Cabalo) believes the secret knowledge can be obtained through divination, magic, numerology and astrology. This type of reasoning is pure occultism. Many entertainers such as Madonna, Lindsay Lohan, Mick Jagger of the Rolling Stones are practicing Kabbalism. Just like in Wicca, the Kabbalist also believes in wearing Talisman/Amulet. The more popular Talisman is a Red String of Rachel. This garm is blessed by a rabbi. The wearer believes they have divine protection from all evil forces. The wearing of such devices is contrary to Scriptures.

So where did these beliefs originate? If you are familiar with the, "Book of Enoch", then you know that the fallen angels taught the following: (Enoch Chapter 7-8)

1. *Magical medicine*
2. *Incantations*
3. *the cutting of roots*

“And you have trusted in your evil: you have said, ‘No one sees me.’ **Your wisdom and your knowledge, have led you astray.** And you have said in your heart, ‘I am, and there is none but me.’ But evil shall come upon you, you not knowing from where it arises, and trouble shall fall upon you, You being unable to put it off, and ruin shall come upon you suddenly, which you know not. **Stand now with your potent spells,** and your many **witchcrafts, in which you have labored from your youth;** if so be you are able to profit, if so be you find strength prevail. You are exhausted by your many counsels; let astrologers, the stargazers, and those who prognostic by the new moons stand up and save you from what is coming upon you.”

-YeshaYahu/Isaiah 47:10-13

This belief system known as Kabbalah, is just another attempt to enter through the back gate. I had the privilege of speaking with a friend that is Jewish. The many journeys, this old man had encounter, through his life have brought him to be content in being a Reform Jew.

I was intrigued listening to him share his childhood memories. As a young Jewish boy, he was taught Kabbalah. He hated it. Sadly, many male children are indoctrinated with this at a very young age. Some against their will.

The believer takes some secret steps instead of going directly to the one that has spoken:

“Yahushua said to him, I am the Way, and the Truth and the Life: No one comes to the Father, except through me.” -Yohanan/John 14:6

“Wikipedia“, the free online Encyclopedia tells us following:

(26) Kabbalah teaches that every Hebrew letter, word, number, even the accent on words of the Hebrew Bible contains a hidden meaning:

1. *Number- word mysticism (Gematria)*
2. *Divination and Clairvoyance*
3. *Practical Applications*

The Kabbalist believes that hidden within the first five books of Moses (Mosheh) called the, Torah lie hidden secrets. Have you heard of the so-called Bible Codes? They also believe that only the righteous ones have access to the occultic knowledge of dreams, incubation and even spirit possession. The belief that one can use incantations and cast spells is acceptable to get a supernatural outcome. These rituals can cause one to get a magical healing and to the Kabbalist this would not be considered witchcraft.

Now that we have read some basic knowledge of this ingredient Kabbalah that has been blended into this Religious Malt of Babylon should we be shocked about their belief in the **circle dance**?

I find it fascinating how the New Ager believes in one achieving an “***Altered State of Conscious***” whereas in Jewish Mysticism (Kabbalah) they label this state, “***higher soul***.” They view that when a women can reach this state, she will be more of an influence in the cosmos.

Rabbi Kalonymous Kalman Heleni Epsteini, “***Miriams Circle Dance***,” believes that Miriam was able to reach this **higher state of consciousness** through the type of dance she did, ‘***the circle dance***.’ Would it be safe to say, that according to this rabbi, if Miriam had performed any other dance she would not have been able to reach this **altered state**? Hello! Is it any wonder that the Kabbalist would come to this conclusion? Just like the Native American? The New-Ager? The Wicca? We will discover this list seems to be ever-growing!

Rabbi Kalonymous Kalman Heleni Epsteini goes even further with his belief that when the world reaches this higher soul (New Order of consciousness) everyone will gather in the circle, dancing around **Ha 'Shem!** What does Ha Shem mean? Ha 'Shem simply means "the name". We must ask, in whose name would this world be **circle dancing** around?

I would like to give everyone a courtesy reminder about a storm on the horizon! This event will be the worst time in all of history. Yahushua himself called it the

"Great Distress". Also known as "*Ya'aqob's Trouble*" (Jacob's Trouble). To the Illuminati it will be known as the **New World Order (N.W.O.)**. To the New Ager/Wicca this event is referred to as **Mother Earth** going through her '*cleansing cycle*.'

The vast amount of people who oppose this coming new system will be eliminated from planet earth. The multi-millions that believe in reincarnation will think they are actually doing the victim(s) a favor by letting them experience soul growth

(nirvana). We can rest assure knowing Elohim will keep a remnant. He will also have the final say. When the trumpet sounds.



Miriam's Circle Dance!

Where do people get this from?

There is much speculation that Miriam led the other women in a '**circle dance**' a dance that would allow Miriam to reach a '**higher soul**' or '**altered state of consciousness**'. This is just like Carl G. Jung's belief that females are more able to contact spirits and the rabbi's view of how Miriam was able to reach this state by doing the '**circle dance**'. In other words, according to many, Miriam was the ring leader in an ecstatic ritual **circle dance**.



Come with me, while I grab the microscope. We will begin to uncover where this notion came from. The first question we must ask is, "Who copied who?" Did the pagans/heathens happen to see the children of Yisra'el/Israel holding hands while performing the **circle dance**? Did evil say, "*Hey... let's really trick the world by adopting this dance. That way we can cause confusion and no one will know where it originated.*"

Actually, history shows us the opposite. Many of the people Elohim delivered, with His out-stretched arm, were stiff-necked. Countless number of times, Elohim gave them strong warnings not to do the following:

1. *Learn not the ways of the pagans/heathen*
Debarim/Deuteronomy 18:9) (YirmeYahu/Jerimiah 10:2)

2. *Not to be conformed to the nations.*
(Yehoshua/Joshua 6:18)

3. *Not to worship Elohim as the pagans worship their mighty ones.* (Debarim/Deuteronomy 20:18)

4. *Be separate, peculiar, set apart*
(Debarim/Deuteronomy 14:2, 26:19;
Wayyiqra/Leviticus 20:24)

Since they were slaves for 400 years, where did they have the time to not only learn the choreographed (Pre-planned) dance steps but also to teach others? How do we know these are even Biblical Dances when they were not even believers just yet?!? History tells us two things.

In 1905-1950 the Europeans brought **Circle Dancing** to Israel. When Israel became a nation, in 1948, the state of Israel adapted folk dancing from the Europeans and created competitions, today known as "*Israeli Folk Dancing*".

Under the "Introduction", I mentioned how archaeologists found a rock in Luxor Egypt that is dated 3000 BC. On this rock was a drawing of girls holding hands in a circle.

We can get a clear view of how the children of Yisra'el/Israel during their 400 years of slavery, were indeed the ones that learned dance from the Egyptians. "Encyclopedia of Bible Life":

“Ritualistic dances, such as have characterized many primitive religions, were part of the worship

of Israel in the days of Moses and his sister Miriam. The famous celebration at the Red Sea crossing with **dancing** and **playing of timbrels or tambourines**, and singing of the famous song of Exodus 15, was of **Egyptian Source**.” (27)

The following information will open our eyes even more as we learn Egyptians had different dances for different occasions:

“Encyclopedia of Religion and Ethics Edited” tells us the following:

*“The sculptures and paintings of the XVth-XXth dynasties show many scenes of funeral dances; **usually one women held a tambourine aloft and beat out a rhythm on it while others danced round**. Exactly this dance may be seen now when parties of women go up to the cemetery a fortnight or a month after a funeral; an old Negress is often the drummer, **and the party stop every few hundred yards along the road for a dance**.”*(28)



Compare this dance to the dance that Miriam and the women did. Shemoth/Exodus 15:20, “*And Miriam the prophetess, the sister of Aaron, took a timbrel in her hand. And **all the women went out after her with timbrels and with dances**.*”

Notice the great similarities? The word **dance** here is **Strong’s number 4246 meaning a dance; -company, dances, dancing**. The English word, dances (4246) says

round-dance. Miriam and the other women either danced: (29)

1. as in a company, many danced
2. they danced around
3. they danced about
4. they danced in a circle
5. they danced encompassing the area.

As we can see, there are many different ways they could have danced since ‘round’ means: “*surrounding, around, about, encircling, encompassing, on all sides of, about, in a circle, in circles, on all sides, circle, disc, slice, ring, band.*”(30)

Miriam took a timbrel in her hand, the women also took timbrels in their hand and followed after her with **DANCES!** Since they **ALL** had something in their hands, (**a timbrel**) there goes the **mental illusion**, that many have been trying to force on the innocent victim: that the picture of them all holding hands **circle dancing**, while Miriam led them! One can **NOT** hold hands in a circle format and play the Timbrel at the same time. They went after Miriam, all playing their timbrel while doing dances.

Whether this dance was something as innocent as they all danced round the land each with a timbrel in their hand or they all danced in a **circle dance**, the fact remains they **learned** dance from the **Egyptians!**



Another dance I want us to look at can be found in the same heading, “Encyclopedia of Religion and Ethics” under ‘*Egyptian Religion*’ tells us the following under (emphasis added by me):

Dancing:

*“At the great gathering, held every seven weeks, they ‘**keep the holy all-nightly festival...**’ one band beating time to the answering chant of the other, dancing to its music...turning and returning in the dance.”* (Philo de vita Contemplativa; see G.R.S. mead, *Fragments of a faith forgotten*, Lond⁴³ 900, p.801.) *This must have been much like an orgiastic modern zikr, only performed by men and women in opposite companies.”*(31)

“The New Compact Bible Dictionary” explains even more to us about **Dancing:**

*“The Hebrew people developed their own type of dancing, associated in the main with worship. **Basically, it was more like modern religious shouting by individuals, or processions of exuberant groups.**”* (32)

“Webster’s New Twentieth Century Dictionary” tells us the following:



Processions- *“**a train of persons walking, or riding on**”*

*horseback, or in vehicles, in a **formal march**, or **moving with ceremonious solemnity**.” (33)*

Now think back to the Egyptian funeral dance, how the group would stop walking every so many feet and do a dance. This type of ceremony can still be seen in many Southern States. A procession is **NOT** a circle.

The bottom line is, I cannot nor should anyone else give a title such as, “**Miriam's Circle Dance**.” Because no one can say without a doubt that Miriam and the other women did this style of dance! If anything they did **NOT** get this style of worship from Yahuwah but from the Egyptians! They were so stiff-necked that a three day journey ended up taking them 40 years (a generation)! They were NOT believers of Yahuwah and His Ways when they left Egypt. In fact, if Miriam indeed did dance in a circle, it was because ₄₄ learned it from Egypt.

Messianic **Circle Dance!**



"Be sober, watch,
because your adversary
the devil walks about like a
roaring lion, seeking
someone to devour." -1 Peter
5:8



To view more pictures of **circle dancing** see, the
Conclusion

When my family and I first witnessed the "**Circle**

Dance", we were visiting a group of believers that live in a Community, known as the "Twelve Tribes". This picture is taken from, "The Twelve Tribes Free Paper", Spring of 2006 edition.

We were at the community in Chattanooga Tennessee. The weekend we happened to attend was the first reunion of the 'Yellow Deli'.

The Twelve Tribes believe that all should be immersed in the name of Yahushua. I agree with this. Of course, they believe if you are not immersed within their commune then you have truly not been immersed. I happened to disagree with that. We disagree on a few other points of doctrine. Namely the **circle dance** and their use of pagan names/titles (Jesus, God, Lord) when witnessing to others.

There are many points of doctrine that we are in agreement with. For instance, keeping the Seventh Day Sabbath set-apart, the importance of the Feast Days, women should dress modest, children should be home schooled, eating a kosher diet is very healthy and to live in a commune of fellow believers is wonderful and special!

Sadly, I would have to take my concerns, of the Twelve Tribes **Circle Dancing**, being of pagan source, to the elders and then to the founders Gene (Yoneg) and Marsha Spriggs. It would have to come from the elders/Yoneg for them to renounce their involvement in pagan worship. As individual members, they could not do this because they are to be united in all beliefs.

Sadly, we the body of Mashiach, is not united as of yet! As a whole, they could renounce this involvement.

I'm not here to bash them or anyone. They are great people, but are ignorant to the truth. My point is to share how this form of worship known as the **Circle Dance** is dangerous to ones claiming to follow and worship Yahuwah in Spirit and in Truth. The truth is, the **Circle Dance**, in all its different names, is how the pagans worshiped/worships their deity/deities. And there is no specific mention of this 'dancing in a circle' being Biblical anywhere in history.

"When you come into the land which YAHUWAH your Elohim is giving you, do not learn to do according to the abominations of those gentiles."
-Debarim/Deuteronomy 18:9

My flesh enjoyed watching the **Circle Dance**. And the Twelve Tribes is very good at it. As I watched, the silent voice deep inside, brought it to my attention, "Circle...witchcraft." When I asked what they were doing, they told me they were doing **Israeli folk dancing**. We have already learned, Israeli folk dancing was adopted from the Europeans around the last 70 or so years.

The second time, I witnessed the **circle dance**, was when we were visiting a family of believers, also in Tennessee. I asked, "So is this like square dancing?" The response I received was that this was **not** just dancing but was **worship**! I learned the dance step called a Mayim during this visit. I was eager to get home to learn the **Circle Dance** from an instructional video

they gave us. Again, those thoughts came to me, "Circles, witchcraft."

When those silent thoughts resurfaced for the third time! It was then that I remembered:

"Beloved ones, do not believe every spirit, but prove the spirits, whether they are of Elohim, because many false prophets have gone out into the world."

-1 Yohanan/John 4:1

That was when I began ¹⁴⁷ endeavor of learning more about the **Circle Dance**. What I discovered is shocking and sad. One must ask themselves, since when did worship become a competition? What are we competing against? If you think I am wrong on this **PLEASE** do a Google search on "Messianic Dance" or "Messianic Dance Team(s)" There are retreats, workshops, all sorts of instructional videos and even team competition events...can **YOU** believe this? Have we sunk so far from **Him** that we have to have some pre-planned methods to worship him with?

What happen to just letting the **Ruach Ha Qodesh** move? We cannot have Yahuwah on a rope, trying to manipulate him to do something! Not only is this type of belief dangerous but also demanding! **He moves as he feels led to move.**

Many believe they are indeed glorify Elohim, by these dances. Some have said since Miriam did this dance then it is fine for us. As we have already covered, they learned dance from the Egyptians. That in and itself tells

us where this originated. Oh my beloved, do you want to go back into captivity? Back into Babylon? Mitsrayim...back into slavery? Oh my brothers and sisters, please pray for discernment. Just because the crowd says so, does not make it right!

Some even go as far as adding fire to the dance by lighting votive candles. As the women hold these, they lift the fire up and by so doing they have made the dance holy, so they believe.

Did you happen to see the banner behind the one girl, with the votive candle? The one that says, "Holy is the Lord." Again, pagan worship for a pagan deity, Baal (Lord).

Please note that people in the occult, fire is a major part of the worship. Hoo Doo or candle magic is very popular. Just look around at any Catholic Church. And we know how popular voodoo is in the city of New Orleans.



Many believe that fire, is like a medium that can be used to gain enlightenment. One can easily lite a candle, say some prayers, do magic, and cast spells all by the fire, so they believe anyway. All I know is, we, *the body of Mashiach*, will be tried by fire (1 Peter/Kepha 1:7).

When connecting all these little dots, we can get the clear picture that the **Circle Dance** is pure paganism! We cannot, I repeat **WE cannot** worship the Mighty One

of Abraham, Ya'aqob/Isaac and Yitshaq/Jacob like the pagans/heathens worship their deities!

Do you happen to be one of many that think a little bit of this and a little bit of that never hurt anyone? If so think again! The famous golden calf from Shemoth/Exodus 32 was not the only thing that enraged Elohim. They mixed the worship:

“And all the people brake off the golden earrings which were in their ears, and brought them unto Aaron. And he received them at their hand, and fashioned it with a graving tool, after he had made it a molten calf: and they said, these be thy gods, O Israel, which brought thee up out of the land of Egypt. And when Aaron saw it, he built an altar before it; and **Aaron made proclamation**, and said, “**Tomorrow is a feast to Yahuwah.**” And they rose up early on the morrow, and offered burnt offerings, and brought peace offerings; and the people sat down to eat and to drink, and rose up to play.” -Bereshi 49 Genesis 32:3-6

They thought by **mixing a little of this, some of that** and then giving it a **label** “**Feast day to YAHUWAH**” that this would make it fine! How wrong they were! Let's pick up where we left off Verse 7-9:

"And Yahuwah said unto Moses, Go, get thee down; for thy people, which thou broughtest out of the land of Egypt, have corrupted themselves: **They have turned aside quickly out of the way which I commanded them:** they have made them a molten calf, and have worshiped it, and have

sacrificed thereunto, and said, These be thy gods (mighty ones), O Israel, which have brought thee up out of the land of Egypt. And Yahuwah said unto Moses, I have seen this people, and, behold, it is a stiff necked people”

Something as simple as adding this and that caused many to die that day: (emphasis added by me)
Shemoth/**Exodus 32:28**, *“And the children of Levi did it according to the word of Moses: and **there fell of the people that day about three thousand men.**”*

Again we learn how many more died:

“Neither let us commit fornication, as some of them committed, and **fell in one day three and twenty thousand.**” -1 Corinthians 10:8

What is interesting is that the dance that Miriam and the other women did is the same Strong’s #4246 given to the dancing that Moses saw when he came near to the camp:

"And it came to be, as soon as he came near the camp, that he saw the calf and the dancing. And Mosheh's displeasure burned, and he threw the tablets out of his hands and broke them at the foot of the mountain."
-Shemoth/Exodus 32:19

These two verses in Exodus 15:20 and here in Exodus 32:19, both have the Strong’s #4246. **hlwxm M@chowlah** (mek-o-law'); *meaning: dance-company, dances, dance(cing)(34).*

Lastly, many within the Messianic movement believe they are dancing like David danced. This style is called, **Davidic Dancing**. Is it any wonder that the Hora (Hava Nagila) a.k.a. the **circle dance**, would be listed as a dance that David danced? Of course not, to those who support the "Universal **Circle Dance**."

The Scriptures reveal to us that David did Dance. To be clearer:

"And David; danced before Yahuwah with all his might. And David was wearing a linen shoulder garment."

-2 Samu'el/Samuel 6:14

We also know from Scriptures that this was the second time David tried moving the 'Ark of Elohim' to the City of David. Need we be reminded that the first time they tried moving the Ark, a priest by the name of Uzzah, lost his life because he touched the Ark (2 Samu'el 6:5-7).

David was afraid when Uzzah died. They did not move the Ark until three months later. While they were moving the, Ark of Elohim, every six feet David had to slaughtered bulls and fatted sheep (2 Samu'el 6:13). This was no easy task. David, being the King of Yisra'el was afraid before the King of Kings.

Yes, David did dance before Elohim with all his might. He was filled with the Ruach Ha Qodesh. He did not plan his dance, he was moved by the Ruach. Praise be to YAHUWAH! The King was humbled. He only danced in a linen cloth. We learn his wife, Mikal despised him in her heart that day (2 Samu'el 6:16).

To call modern day choreography danced steps, like the Mayim, Yemenite, or the Hora (**Circle Dance**) Davidic Dancing Scriptural is dangerous.

What is a Mayim Dance Step?

A 'Mayim' is a very popular dance step, which is included in many Messianic **Circle Dances**. The free online encyclopedia, "Wikipedia" tells us that **Mayim** is Hebrew for **water**. The Mayim is a traditional Israeli Dance in praise of the water which sustained them physically and spiritually. (35)

Wikipedia gives us the simple repetitive steps in this dance: en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Mayim

Part 1=1-4 Facing center, step R foot across L foot, step on L foot to L, step on R foot behind L foot, Step on L foot to L 5-6 Repeat counts 1-4 three times.

Part 2= 1-4 Run four steps forward, R L R L. During these four steps, raise arms 5 Step back on R foot and clap hands. 6-8 Take three more steps backwards, L R L 9-16 Repeat counts 1-8

Part 3 1-4 Facing left, run four steps forward, R L R L 5-6 Facing center, hop on L foot, touching R toe in front, Hop on L foot, touching R to side 7-10 Repeat counts 5-6 two times 11-12 Hop on L foot, touching R toe in front, Leap onto R foot to right 13-20 Repeat counts 5-12 with opposite footwork and clapping hands on counts 13, 15, 17, 19 of each measure. (Some people also turn while doing counts 13-20).

This is believed to be choreographed by Elsie Dublin around 1937. Hmm, this Mayim step came to into

existence in 1937, how could it have been that Mariam and the other women danced this so long ago? Something to ponder on.

Some have said that when they began doing this dance, they counted these steps over and over again in their mind (a form of repetition which can cause one to blank their mind out). As we take a look at one of the songs that is sung let us remember these simple repetitive steps.

Under the definition for Wicca circle dance we find the following:

The Grape Vine Dance Step: a ceremonial or recreational dance wherein the members of a grove or coven link hands and move deosil within a ceremonial area. The basic grapevine circle step is "right foot cross over, left foot sidestep, right foot cross back, left foot sidestep, etc.

http://www.experiencefestival.com/a/CIRCLE_DANCE/id/181619#

Under the definition for the Messianic Circle Dance we find the following:

MAYIM DANCE STEP: Facing center, step R foot across L foot, step on L foot to L, step on R foot behind L foot, Step on L foot to L 5-6 Repeat counts 1-4 three times.

The Song Kodesh!

1. Holy 2. Holy
3. Holy is the Lord of Host

The whole earth is filled with your glory.

1. Kodesh 2. Kodesh 3. Kodesh
4. Kodesh 5. Kodesh 6. Kodesh

1. Adonia Elohim tz'va'ot

2. Adonia Elohim tz'va'ot
3. Adonia Elohim tz'va'ot

1. Holy 2. Holy 3. Holy 4. Holy 5. Holy

6 Holy, you are holy

1. Oh Lord our God, Lord of host
2. Oh Lord our God, Lord of host

1. Who was and who is and who is to come
2. Who was and who is and who is to come

1. Kodesh 2. Kodesh
3. Kodesh, Holy Lord
4. Kodesh 5. Kodesh 6. Kodesh

1. Adonia Elohim tz'va'ot 2. Adonia Elohim tz'va'ot
3. Asher haYahuwah v'hoveh v'yavo 4. Asher haYahuwah v'hoveh v'yavo

1. Holy 2. Holy
3. Holy 4. Holy
5. Holy 6 Holy,

Holy, Holy Lord.

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I do not know if you have ever heard this song, it is a very pretty song, unfortunately the way the song is written one can give praise to any deity of their choosing. One must ask the following:

- 1."Who's esteem fills the whole earth?"
2. "Who is the Master of Hosts?"
- 3."Has the Name of Yahuwah been replaced with pagan names/titles of other deities? Has HIS Name been brought to nought? Going against the 3rd Commandment?" (Exodus/Shemoth 20:7)
4. "Why is Baal (Lord) given the title of being Kodesh (Set-Apart)?" (Jeremiah/YirmeYahu 23:27)
- 5."What Elohim (Mighty One) is "Set-Apart (Kodesh)?"
6. "What Elohim (Mighty One) is Your Sovereign (Adonai)?"
7. Who has received praise in this song? Baal-Lord? Baal-God? Gott? Odin? Krishna? Lord Maitreya? Larth?Zeus? Heros? Janus? Jupiter? Mithra? Apollo? Helios? Jesus? Sol-Invictus?

Come with me for a moment! Many gather round, singing, dancing and giving praise to Ha'Shem. Ask yourself my beloved, "What deity is being worshiped?"



**Ha'shem** means "**The Name**". The Name of what deity? Way too many people hold the ideology, 'to each his own'. The Scriptures tells us, that some worshiped an '**unknown god**' (**Acts 17:23**). However, we (The children of Apartness) cannot place the Qodesh (Set Apart) Eloah/El Elyon Yahuwah in a free for all goodie bag, full of names of other pagan deities!

This song is exactly 4:59 minutes! We can clearly read the many repetitional words that are used during this song. **Holy** is used 19 times while **Kodesh** is used 12 times.

*"But when you pray, use not vain repetitions, as the heathen do: for they think that they shall be heard for their much speaking." -*  
MattithYahu/Matthew 6:7

Now add the repetitive steps and one could easily have their mind blanked out! Some have even said when the music stops **they have fallen to the ground!**

Oh, my heart is heavy! This is just like the Sabbath service I attended. Remember when I spoke of how the song, "Amazing Grace" was changed? They took the rhythm of the song and used two words, "Holy Father" and sung those two words over and over again until one man was slain in the spirit.

We, the little flock, must remember that the Father told us in HIS written word that His people are destroyed for lack of knowledge (Hoshea/Hosea 4:6) and we must study to show ourselves approved (2 Timothy 2:15).

## Is Dancing Scriptural?

Oh yes, dancing is very scriptural! Just like rejoicing, singing, praising and worshiping Yahuwah. According to many, not only is dancing Scriptural, but the type of dance, namely the 'circle dance' is something Yahuwah wants his people to do! We must remember as students of the written Word that adding one word can change the whole meaning of a verse! This can become a type of wormwood. The outcome, dead worship by poisoning. Let us examine the following verses:

Tehillim/Psalms 149:3 from the K.J.V.:

“Let them praise his name in the **DANCE**: let them sing praises unto him with the timbrel and harp.”



And in YirmeYahu/Jeremiah 31:13, **K.J.V.**,

“Then shall the virgin rejoice in the **DANCE**, both young men and old together: for I will turn their mourning into joy, and will comfort them, and make them rejoice from their sorrow.”

Here are these same verses in “**The Scriptures**”:

“Let them Praise His Name in a **dance**; Let them sing praises to Him with the tambourine and lyre.”  
-Tehillim/Psalms 149:3

YirmeYahu/Jeremiah 31:13,

“Then shall a maiden rejoice **in a dance**, and young men and old, together. And I shall turn their mourning to joy, and shall comfort them, and he shall make them rejoice from their sorrow.”

Some want to add the adjective (which will be describing a specific dance) ‘**the**’ to these verses. This is added filmy substance. One word can change the whole verse and its meaning. There is a big difference in saying the following:

1. in a dance.
2. in the dance.

By adding the adjective ‘**the**’ to the word ‘**dance**’ we get ‘**the dance**’. In doing so we now have a particular or specific style. Let’s say I told my children, “I want to go to “**a park**” in town.” They would not know what park I am referring to, because I said, ‘**a park**’.

Now let’s say I told them, “I want to go to **the park** in town.” Here ‘**the**’ is used as a particular or a specific park in town.

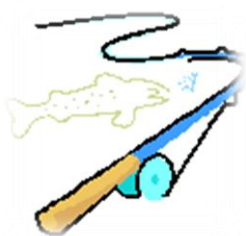
These two verses (note: there are more, I’m just using these two as an example), Tehillim 149:3 and YirmeYahu 31:13 according to, “**The Holy Scriptures The Jewish Bible according to the Masoretic Text**”. We find that the letter **bet** has a silent vowel for the prefix “**in the dance**”. Translates literally as “in” **not** as “in the.” For the meaning to literally mean **in the dance** (a particular style of dance) the bet would have the vowel ‘ah’ under it.

"Let them praise His Name **"in dance"**, means different **types of dancing** compared to "Let them praise His Name **in the dance**," meaning a **certain type of dance**. In both of these verses the meaning is the former and not the latter.

In YirmeYahu/Jeremiah <sup>59</sup>, we see that the **bet** is with the **'ee'** vowel and translates as **'in the'**. This is in reference to many types of dancing because dances is plural and not singular:

"again, I will build thee, and thou shalt be built, O Virgin of Israel: thou shalt again be adorned with thy tabrets, and shalt go forth **in the dances** of them that make merry."

"I am going to build you again. And you shall be rebuilt, O maiden of Yisra'ël! Again you shall take up your tambourines, and go forth **in the dances** of those who rejoice." (The Scriptures)



Clearly, when one has an occultic agenda they prey themselves on the innocent and unaware victim, waiting for them to swallow the hook, line and sinker by using verses to support their **Universal Circle Dance Agenda!**

This is where studying pays off! Just because someone post verses does not mean they are accurate.

If this were the case then there would be no blind guides. We would not be told to test the spirits, study to show ourselves approved, stay awake, and the following: *“For such are false emissaries of Messiah. And no wonder! For Satan himself masquerades as a messenger of light!”* (2 Corinthians 13-14).



That is why we are told: *“Beloved ones, do not believe every spirit, but pr<sub>60</sub> he spirits, whether they are of Elohim, because many false prophets have gone out into the world.”*

-1 Yohanan/1 John 4:1

Some of these mistakes whether done intentionally, with a hidden agenda or by accident, happens when one adds to the meaning of words or the verses the word is used in.

Let us look at some other verses, other than the ones we have already examined. Those verses pertain the words; DANCE, DANCING, DANCED!

We already looked at two verses where, Strong's #4246. **âîçiaúhlwxm M@chowlah** (mek-o-law'); meaning: dance-company, dances, dan(cing) is used.

The word **'round'** is an added word that is in parenthesis in the definition of the Strong's #4246. The

other verses where this is used is in: Shophetim/Judges 11:33, Shophetim/Judges 21:21, 1 Shemu'el/Samuel 21:11 and 1 Shemu'el/Samuel 29:5. Shophetim/Judges 21:21 and Shophetim/Judges 21:23.

Let us look at, Shophetim/Judges 21:21 which has two renderings for the word '**Dance**'. Notice how #4246 is not a style or type of dance but is used as many dances: (emphasis added)

“And see, and, behold, if the daughters of Shiloh come out to **DANCE** (#2342) in **DANCES** (#4246) then come ye out of the vineyards, and catch you every man his wife of the daughters of Shiloh, and go to the land of Benjamin”

(38)Strong's #2342 **lwx Chuwl** (khool); Verb; to twist, whirl, dance, writhe, fear, tremble, travail, be in anguish, be pained; (Qal) to dance, to twist, writhe to whirl, whirl about (Polel) to dance, to writhe (in travail with), bear, bring forth , to wait anxiously (Pulal) to be made to writhe, be made to bear to be brought forth (Hophal) to be born (Hithpolel) whirling (participle) writhing, suffering torture (participle) ,to wait longingly (Hithpalpel) to be distressed."

(39)**2 Samuel 6:14,16** Strong's #3769, **rrk Karar** (kaw-rar'); Verb,(Pilpel) to whirl, dance ,whirling, dancing (participle).

(40)Strong's #7540, **dqr Raqad** (raw-kad'); Verb, to skip about (Qal) to skip about (Piel) to dance, leap (Hiphil) to make to skip” is used in; **Job 21:11**,

**Qoheleth/Ecclesiastes 3:4, Yahuwahwahu/Isaiah 13:21, 1 DiAre haYamin/1 Chronicles 15:29.**

(41)Strong's #4234, **lwxm Machowl** (maw-khole'); Noun Masculine, dance, dancing” **Tehillim/Psalms 149:3,4, YirmeYahuwahu/Jeremiah 31:4, 13, Ekah/Lamenations 5:15 and Tehillim/Psalms 30:11.**

As we can see from the above verses that use the word 'dance', there is no mention of the '**Circle Dance.**' From my studies on those who support this **Circle Dance**, I have found that many words are being used that are **not** in the verses themselves. The author(s) takes the reader on a journey of Hebrew words that have similar if not the actual meaning of a circle, that pertains to a circle, etc.(42) For instance, **(#1752) duwr** from **#1752** means a circle, ball, or pile-ball, turn, roundabout and(43) **kathar (3803)** means to enclose; hence, (in a friendly sense) to crown, (in a hostile one) to besiege; also to wait (as restraining oneself)- beset, round, compass about, be crowned, inclose round, suffer.



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Some have even gone to the **extreme** and have literally claimed that Eloah wants his people to **Circle Dance!** Where do they get this from? By adding one word! We are not to add to nor take away. They

will use Tehillim/Psalms 107:23-27 in support of their view of the **circle dance.**

"Those who go down to the sea in ships, Doing work in many waters, they see the works of Yahuwah, And His wonders in the deep. For He commands and raises the stormy wind, which lifts up the waves of the sea. They go up to the heavens, they go down to the depths; their being is melted because of evil. They reel to and fro, and stagger like a drunkard, and all their wisdom is swallowed up." -Tehillim/Psalms 107:23-27

Unbelievable, this has nothing to do with dancing but to reel drunkenly! Let's look at the whole meaning of the following word, unlike the ones that seem to leave out the words I have highlighted:

(44)Strong's #2287 **ggx Chagag** (khaw-gag'); a prim. Root; Verb, to move in a circle, that is to march in a sacred procession, to observe a festival; by impl. To be giddy:- celebrate, dance (keep hold) a (solemn) feast (holiday) reel to and fro."



One cannot be holding hands, performing a **circle dance** while they are marching in a sacred procession! A chagag is a **feast** that we are commanded to keep. As we read the following verse let us keep in mind the meaning of what a **Chagag** is:



"For seven days you shall observe a festival **(Chagag)** to Yahuwah your Elohim in the place which Yahuwah chooses, because Yahuwah your Elohim does bless you in all your increase and in all the work of your hands, and you shall be only rejoicing!" - Debarim/Deuteronomy 16:15

Oh...I see **WORDS!**  
Their adding words here-→ and their adding words there ←...there adding words.....  
**EVERYWHERE!**

They claim Debarim/Deuteronomy 16:15, actually says, "**Seven days** shall you keep a **Circle Dance** unto Yahuwah!" They take the word Chagag which means a festival and claim it means **circle dance**.

They get this from taking **part** of the meaning of **chagag** (to move in a circle) and run with it to support the pure pagan Sabeian worship known as the **Circle Dance!** Oh my beloved, this is dangerous! What about the rest of the meaning of Chagag? The part that says: (to move in a circle) "that is to march in a sacred procession." Also in Strong's when something is placed

in ( ) it means that the K.J.V. has added this into its version.



To many words!

Oh my beloved, who was it that did the **circle dance** for **five days**? It was Wovoka, the Shaman, who went into a trance and was told by the sun-deity to do the **circle dance** for **five days**! And now we have people claiming Yahuwah wants HIS people to **circle dance** for **seven days**!



**Hurry!** Throw the life preserver....it's getting deep!

## Global Prayer and Dance Circles!



*2 Corinthians 6:14, "Do not become unevenly yoked with unbelievers. For what partnership have righteousness and lawlessness? And what fellowship has light with darkness?"*

I am by no means supporting or wanting to further the form of worship known as: **Circle Dance, Sacred Dance, Sacred Circle Dance, Horas circle, Kolos circle and the Choros circle.** The following is to show the many various groups that are joining together. We must remember that when the false messiah shows up, in place of the real one, he will join the whole world under a **New World Order**. Many Christians, Messianics, Jews and Muslims have started this uniting. Claiming we are all part of Abraham's seed. We all serve the same deity we just call him different names. Many also believe that everything is God and that God is in all, this belief comes from Hinduism. Many believe they will dance around Ha' Shem. Emphasis will be added by me throughout in red!

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Friday, February 24th, 9:00p.m. - Midnight \$10
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Celebrate the turning of the seasons with circle dance ~ join hearts and hands, heaven and earth in ancient patterns that create harmony, community and balance, within and without. Move in the footsteps of our ancestors as we enjoy traditional dances from many cultures, as well as contemporary pieces choreographed in the spirit of ancient folk dance set in the context of the Wheel of the Year. All dances are taught, so no experience is necessary.

When and where are the dances held? The **Sacred Circle Dances** in New Haven, CT, are held the first Thursday of every month from September through June in the Friends Meetinghouse (the Quakers) at 225 East Grand Avenue in New Haven. We dance from 7:30 to 9:30 pm. (46)

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THE 14TH ANNUAL PRAYER VIGIL FOR THE EARTH BRINGS A MELTING POT OF CULTURE, FAITH, AND ETHNICITY TO DC

The **Prayer Vigil for the Earth**, an annual event now in its 14th year, is a gathering of people from **multiple backgrounds, traditions and faiths from around the world**. The Vigil is a common ground where people experience different cultures and spiritual traditions, **see first-hand what peace looks like, pray for world peace, harmony with nature, and the well-being of all creation**.

WHAT: The 14th Annual Prayer Vigil for the Earth

WHEN: Saturday, September 16 beginning at **sunrise** through Sunday, September 17 ending at 1:00 p.m. 2006

WHERE: The **Washington Monument Grounds** (NW Quadrant), Washington, DC At the intersection of Constitution Ave and 17th St. (across 17th St from the World War II Memorial).

DETAILS: On the morning of September 17, the **ground will be blessed by spiritual elders from a variety of backgrounds, including Native Americans, Christians, Jews, African Americans, Muslims, Hindus, Sikhs, Jains, Baha'is, Buddhists and Shinji Shumeikai representatives**. A circle of tipis and canopies are erected and **a fire is lit to symbolize the center of the sacred circle, or Peace Village**. This fire burns throughout the Vigil and all are welcome. Listen to music and **chants**, poetry and storytelling from indigenous cultures, participating in prayer and dance, or simply look on. (47)

<http://www.oneprayer.org/press.html>

Program for the Annual Prayer Vigil

Sunrise, September 17 thru 3 PM,

September 18, 2005

West Potomac Park - Washington, DC

Note: Due to the spontaneous nature of this event, the number of participants and the amount of **silent prayer and meditation**, the following serves only as a guide and general outline.

Invitation:

Hello! We invite you to enjoy the 2005 **Prayer Vigil for the Earth**. Please join our community which is **comprised of people from diverse spiritual and religious traditions who are sharing their ancient ceremonies with each other**. Our gathering is a 100% volunteer event. Please co-create with us a weekend dedicated to mutual respect, learning, **healing**, and love.

The **Peace Village** is designed in a circle to mirror the shape of our Earth.

A fire burns in the center of the circle like a fire burns in the center of the Earth. The circle and the fire symbolize life. **They are sacred. You enter the sacred Peace Village through the East Gate, place of the rising sun**. There are many activities going on in the Peace Village. There is an area for **Silent Prayer for the Earth**, a Children's Tipi, an Elder's Tipi, a **chanting/singing tipi, a labyrinth, receive healing in Jyorei tipi, do prayers around the Hindu Yantra, a Tibetan stupa, an African altar, and a Jewish Sukkah**. All of these can be visited. There is also a enriching program going on at the microphone. Everyone you see has volunteered their time and talents.

Often there are children playing and adults talking quietly. **The entire community dances, chants**, or participates in story telling at periodic intervals. There are wonderful evening programs under the stars and an opportunity to pray around the fire all night.

At the 2005 Prayer Vigil we are asking everyone to do the following:

To raise the level of tolerance to pioneer in a new consciousness.

To leave the dogma and proselytizing behind.

To allow yourself the opportunity to stretch to see other points of view.

To do more than share your faiths, traditions and customs – take it to the next level of honoring diversity.

To stretch beyond our own comfort zones to participate in the grand experiment to practice tolerance and peace.

To listen.

To be respectful and honor others without judgment.

To focus on our commonalities.

To focus on our relationship with the earth.

To let go of differences and separateness.

To BE in the place we are CHOSING to co-create.

To invite and encourage youth dialogues.

To participate in interfaith, multi-cultural dialogue.

The Prayer Vigil for the Earth has met each year arising from a vision on how to bring how to bring harmony to the peoples of the earth. Each year we meet to:

- * **Seek Unity** where there has been division
- * Understanding instead of Conquering
- * Honoring where the need to Covet has prevailed

We come together to do this to seek out that commonality which links us to each other, the earth and to that expression of highest principle which each tradition recognizes and yearns to share with each other.

- * From the **Native Peoples – “we are all related”**
- * From the **Christian tradition – “where two or more are gathered in God’s name”**
- * From the **Jewish and Islamic traditions – “there is only one God”**
- * And from all other traditions not mentioned – **“unity and understanding:**

Come join the search for that which **unites us and does not divide us.**

Everyone is invited to bring their musical instruments, songs, prayers, and **chants** on Sunday from 1:00 PM - 2:30 PM as we create the sound of people in Celebration and **Prayer for Peace on Earth.** Thank you all for coming and for your support over the last 13 years!

Program Highlights

Sunrise Saturday begins with a Native American Pipe Ceremony dedicated to the well-being of our Earth. The sacred fire will be lit and the heartbeat drum begins the 33

hour Vigil.

Over the next **33 hours** we will join in expressions of prayers and ceremonies with **Mayan, Buddhist, Hindu and many other faiths. Ceremonies of drumming and dancing will be led by the Native American, African, Asian and Celtic drums.** Saturday night, be prepared to get very little sleep as there will be opportunities to dance and sing and meditate and pray around the **sacred fire**. Storytellers from many cultures will enthrall us with their wisdom.

At dawn on Sunday, a call to prayer from the **Sufi tradition** will be followed by: prayers and a sharing of the bread ceremony from the **Jewish tradition**. Also **Cherokee family** blessing ceremony & **Christian song**. Join Us Next Year

<http://www.oneprayer.org/program.html#schedule>

A quote by Marga (circle dance teacher) “We dance in a circle, usually holding hands. No partner is needed. The dances are simple, using repetitive sequences. Each dance is introduced as if it has never been danced before, reviewing the steps before beginning. Thus first-time dancers are able to participate fully in the dancing circle.”

[\(http://www.inthedance.com/Teachers.html\)](http://www.inthedance.com/Teachers.html)

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I am reminded of the following:

"But I say to you, "You are going to possess their land, and I Myself give it to you to possess it, a land flowing with milk and honey." **I am Yahuwah**



**your Elohim, who has separated you from the peoples."** -Wayyiqra/Leviticus 20:24

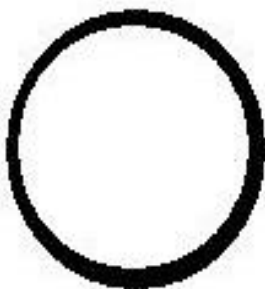
"And **you shall be set-apart** to Me, for I Yahuwah am set-apart, and have **separated you from the peoples** to be Mine." Wayyiqra/Leviticus 20:26

**(Yahushua speaking)** *"Do you think that I came to give peace on earth? I say to you, no, but rather **division**."* Luke 12:51

*"Therefore, **"Come out from among them and be separate, says Yahuwah,** and do not touch what is unclean, and I shall receive you."* -2 Corinthians 6:17

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What So Special About That Circle **Anyway?**



The circle is an ancient, sacred and universal symbol to many religious groups. This symbol is very popular to the Buddhist, Hindu, the Egyptian, the Taoist, the pagan, the occultist, Kabbalist, the witch, the wizard, the

Satanist and yes even to many Christians, just to name a few.

To them, the circle can symbolize completeness, infinity, unity, wholeness, the goddess, Mother Earth, the womb, circle of life, the four seasons, a sacred space and/or the cosmos.

In the occult, when a symbol is placed inside the circle, they believe that makes it more powerful. This is sort of like their belief in upside-down numerology. Three 6's turned upside down equals three 9's. They use symbols also. Such as, Peter's Cross. Today this symbol is seen as an upside-down cross and is very popular among Satanist. Some evil symbols that can be found within a circle are as follows:



← Peace Symbol also known as Nero's Cross



Five Pointed Star, used in witchcraft →



← The Swastika inside a circle

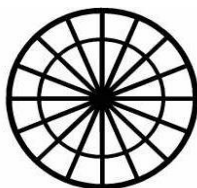


Anarchy→



← Alchemy

Wheel of Dharma →



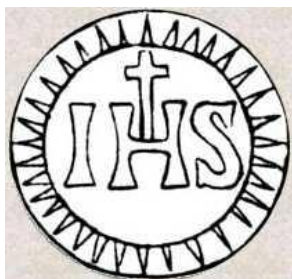
← Medicine Wheel

Ying Yang →

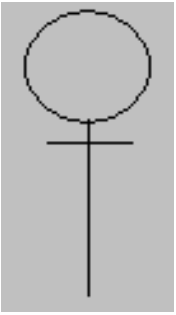


← Symbol of the Trinity

The Sun Sign →
Add some color and
we have the Target Logo)



← Used by many Christians. I=Isis (Mother/Queen of Heaven), H=Horus (The Father), S=Seb (Child). Trinity of the Egyptians. Sun Disks with the pagan Cross (Tau).



When the circle has been quartered, it represents the four elements (earth, wind, fire and water) or as a compass calling out to the four spirits of the earth (north, south, east, west).



What I find interesting is that the 'medicine wheel, and the 'four quartered circle' resembles the symbol to the left. Alexander Hislop reveals to us in his book, "The Two Babylons" (pg. 197-198) that these two symbols is actually the Tau or the Tammuz Cross. When the Tau or the letter T (for

Tammuz) was joined to the circle it was to help identify Tammuz to the sun.

We are told the following in, (50) "Man, Myth and Magic":

"In Witchcraft, the magic circle provides a sacred and purified space in which all rites, magical work, and ceremonies are conducted. It offers a boundary for a reservoir of concentrated power and acts as a doorway to the world of the gods. The circle symbolizes wholeness, perfection, and unity; the creation of the cosmos' the womb of Mother Earth; and the cycle of the seasons; and birth-death-regeneration. Within the circle it becomes possible to transcend the physical to open the mind deeper and higher levels of consciousness."
(50)

"the magical energy which the magicians will summon up from within themselves in the course of the ceremony. It is this energy which will force the spirit to

*appear and if it were not for the **circle the energy would flow off in all directions and be dissipated.***"
(51)

To me, the symbol of a circle means nothing. It is just a shape. Nothing more and nothing less. When I was a child I would draw a circle, add two eyes, a nose, a mouth, two ears draw some straight lines to resemble hair. The outcome a face. But to others, it is quite obvious the 'circle' has some special meaning to them. Sure, to me Mythology is a bunch of myths about fallen angels (demons). However, to vast amounts of people, Mythology, Wicca, Satanism, Christianity, Hinduism, Buddhism, Kabbalah, etc. is their religion. To many of them, the circle has sacred meaning.

Conclusion

Clearly, the **Universal Circle Dance** is a mixing bowl full of everything imaginable under the sun. Growing in popularity at an alarming rate. As we have learned, the Native American, New Ager, Wiccan, Christian, Kabbalist, Messianic and Muslim all preform a type of circumambulation. The **Circle Dance** happens to be the most popular these groups choose to worship their deity/deities.

Whether it be Wovoka and his followers, doing the **circle dance** (Dance to Christ/Sun Dance) for **five days** or the Messianics doing the **circle dance** (Dance around Ha' Shem) for **seven days** they believe when they join hands they are **uniting** in one big **circle dance**. This goes against scriptures:

“As obedient children, not conforming yourselves to the former lusts in you ignorance, instead, as the One who called you is set-apart, **so you also should become set-apart in all behavior**, because it is written, “**be set-apart for I am set-apart.**” -1 Kephah/1 Peter 1:14-16

When the hands have been joined, the circle closed, the music starts and the dance begins, may I remind you to know who you are becoming one with. Ask yourself, is that person pure? Or are they a wolf in sheep clothing? Let us remember the following words in:

“Lay hands suddenly on no man, neither be partaker of other men’s sin: keep thyself pure.” -1 Timothy 5:22

The **Universal Circle Dance** goes right along with, Prayer Circles, The Sacred Honoring Circle, Sacred Wisdom Circle, Prayer Circles, Global Prayer Circle, Worldwide Prayer Circles, Illumination Circles, Community Prayer Circle, Linking Circles, Mary Prayer Circles, Healing Circles, Gathering Circles, Sufi Healing Circles, Spiritual Healing Circles, Conscious Living Circles, Abram's Circle Dance, Celtic Circle Dance and the list continues to grow!

Many believe the Jews, Muslims and Christians, all believe in the same deity. They call him, **Ha'Shem**. It is not a matter of if, but when they unite under the one that will come in place of (anti-messiah) the real Mashiach, Yahushua. They also believe that he is in the midst of the circle.



Again, **Sabeian** worship consist of worshipping the whole celestial body of heaven. As the planets circumbulate the sun, the people would mimic this motion as they circumbulate a physical or an imaginary (visualized) object.

This visualized object to many is the sun deity, moon deity, fertility deity, Yahuwah and even His Son, the Messiah! Yahuwah does not want us to worship him as the heathen/pagan/gentiles/nations worship their deity(ies). Please remember: (Emphasis added by me)

“Be sober, watch, because your adversary the devil walks about like a roaring lion seeking someone to devour.” -1 Kefa/1 Peter 5:8

“And do not conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind, that you prove what is good, and well-pleasing, and perfect desire of Elohim.” -2 Romans 12:2

“Therefore, “Come out from among them and be **separate**, says Yahuwah, and do not touch what is unclean, and I shall receive you.” -2 Corinthians 6:17

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Not only is Satan the Father of lies (Yohanan/John 8:44) but we are told in the great book of Revelation 12:9 that he deceives the whole world. Satan and his messengers appear as messengers of light but it is a delusion. That is why Yahushua Ha Mashiach has told us to "Stay Awake" (Revelation 16:15).

There are two types of sin. One is to sin unknowingly, that is to sin by mistake. Let's say I partook of the **circle dance** because many others were doing it; everyone claimed to be believers in Yahushua Ha Mashiach; I wanted to experience Israeli (Hebrew) roots and thought this would be a fun way to do it; I wanted to be part of a community; was told this is how David Danced (Davidic Dancing, note: David did indeed dance, but he danced filled with the Ruach Ha Qodesh, as the Ruach led him not some pre-planned danced steps); etc. What I did not know is that Sabean worship (circumambulating) is pagan, therefore I did not know I was worshiping Yahuwah El' Shaddai as the pagans worshiped their deities.

When we sin unknowingly and learn of this after the fact, just simply repent (turn back around to Yahuwah

and turn away from the sin). We need to ask for forgiveness in our High Priest's name, Yahushua Ha Mashiach. Renounce our involvement, then be joyful that the truth has freed us.

The other type, is to sin knowingly or defiantly. To me, I would be defiantly sinning against Yahuwah Mighty One of Yisra'el if I participated in the **circle dance**. Why? Because I cannot worship the Yahuwah as the rest of the world worships their many deities. What I can do is, dance, sing, and praise Him as the Ruach Ha Qodesh leads me to do and not some preplanned circle dance that man tells me who to do.



Picture taken from the "The Twelve Tribes Free Paper. Spring, 2006. They believe in Yahushua Ha Mashiach

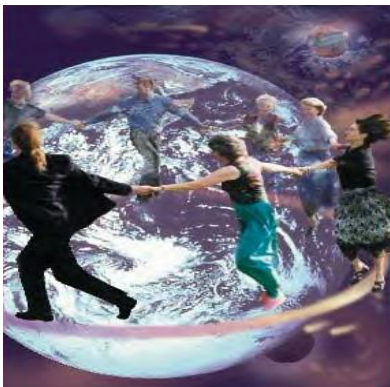
and the commune type of living which I think is great, but why are they **Circle Dancing** around Mother Earth? Their website is: www.TwelveTribes.com

The Cover of the book: "Sevenfold Circle: Self Awareness in Dance" by Lynn Frances and Richard Bryant-Jefferies. More people **Circle Dancing** around Mother Earth. Website:

<http://www.hartcentre.demon.co.uk/sevencir.htm>



This picture is taken from a Yoga and Arts web-site. Another group **circle dancing** around Mother Earth.



<http://www.portsmouthyoga.com/circle.php>

If time permits I highly recommend viewing the following web-sites. (Note **we, Followers of YAH, the FOY Ministry** does not support the following web-sites nor the above ones). They are strictly for research and educational purposes only.

Messianic Circle Dance

<http://www.bethhamashiach.com/Dance1.htm>
(check out the pictures with the candles and fire).

chabad.org/theJewishWoman/article.asp?AID=338911

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bethhillel.com/messianicdance.htm

secondcomingmission.com/s5_secondcoming/5_8_stp.htm

Christian Circle Dance

Quote taken from:

<http://www.firstucceauclaire.org/sermons/MXP071606.pdf>

"After the feast of the Passover before going out to fulfill his destiny, **Christ commands his disciples to join hands and dance around him in a circle.** In this sacred union he makes his last request: "Now answer thou unto my dancing. Behold thyself in me who speaks"

(*World History of the Dance*, Curt Sachs, page 54)

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godsfriends.org/Vol7/No2/DanceWithYou.html

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More info about Circle Rituals

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oaklodge.com/dance/default.aspx

"My people have perished for lack of knowledge. Because you have rejected knowledge, I reject you from being priest for Me. Since you have forgotten the Torah of your Elohim, I also forget your children." - Hoshea/Hosea 4:6

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