

STAR OF DAVID OR STAR OF REMPHAN?

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The Jewish star, commonly referred to as the 'Star of David,' 'Shield of David,' or the 'Seal of Solomon' is a six-pointed hexagram star comprised of two overlaid equilateral triangles. This star is most closely identified with Jewish identity and it appears on many things Jewish, including the flag of the State of Israel, clothing, jewelry, synagogues, tombstones, and many other Jewish items. This article will discus the origins of what is commonly called the Star of David and whether this star should be avoided by Messianic believers as pertaining to a false god with pagan origins.

There is no Scripture reference to a 'Star of David,' 'Shield of David,' or a 'Seal of Solomon.' Mainstream Judaism acknowledges that they do not know where the Star of David symbol originated. Scripture does condemn a Jewish star.

AMOS 5:26 (NKJV):

You also carried Sikkuth your king and Chiun, your idols, THE STAR of your gods, which you made for yourselves.

ACTS 7:43 (NKJV):

You also took up the tabernacle of Moloch, and THE STAR of your god Remphan, images which you made to worship.

The Star of David is not exclusively a Jewish symbol. This star appears in other cultures and religious practices dating back hundreds of years before the birth of Messiah (Christ). The six-pointed hexagram star is used in Buddhism, Free Masonry, Hinduism, Kabala, the occult, Saturn worship, and witchcraft. The six-pointed hexagram star has been used as a talisman and for conjuring up spirits in Satanic occult magic [1].

It is quite evident that the Jews are still carrying a star of their god Remphan, which they still make for themselves today. While they may not acknowledge a 'god' associated with this star, this does not make it non-offensive to God who is holy, who does not allow His people to possess charms, idols, or talismans. Catholics have idols, mainstream Christians have Christmas trees (Jeremiah 10:1-5), and the Jews have talisman star charms, all in violation of God's laws against idolatry.

ROMANS 10:19 (NKJV):

"I will provoke you to jealousy by those who are not a nation."

During the 19th century a significant motivating factor for adopting the hexagram star as a symbol of Israel and of the Jewish people was the desire to imitate the influence of the Christian cross [2]. The Jews were provoked to jealously by Christianity, by a faith that was not a nation and knew no borders.

JEREMIAH 3:12-13 (NKJV):

'Return, backsliding Israel,' says the Lord; I will not cause My anger to fall on you. For I am merciful,' says YHWH (the Lord); 'I will not remain angry forever. Only acknowledge your iniquity, that you have transgressed against the Lord your God, and have scattered your charms to alien deities under every green tree, and you have not obeyed My voice,' says YHWH (the Lord).

Mainstream Judaism is not going to acknowledge its iniquity in making the hexagram charm in honor of Remphan and in defiance of God until Yeshua (Jesus) returns. The Star of David is used in Messianic Judaism to pander to Jews who loathe and fear the cross. Christians have historically persecuted the Jews and the symbol of the cross is anathema to many Jews. To attract Judaic Jews into converting to Messianic Jews, Messianic Judaism has forsaken the cross in favor of the 'Star of David.'

While evil-minded Catholics and Christians have historically persecuted the Jews, the cross of Messiah (Christ) and the message of salvation cannot be compromised with a forbidden talisman hexagram six-pointed star symbol of pagan origin. Messianic and other faithful believers should not have anything to do with the six-pointed hexagram symbol, by either displaying it or wearing it, not even to support the Jewish people.

^{1. &}quot;Testing the Star of David," 119 Ministries, YouTube, Jul 19, 2016,

< https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-d7q2hzkG3s >.

^{2. &}quot;The Flag and the Emblem," Israel Ministry of Foreign Affairs, 28 Apr 2003, "According to Sholem, the motive for the widespread use of the Star of David was a wish to imitate Christianity. During the Emancipation, Jews needed a symbol of Judaism parallel to the cross, the universal symbol of Christianity." < http://www.mfa.gov.il/mfa/aboutisrael/israelat50/pages/the%20flag%20and%20the%20emblem.aspx >.