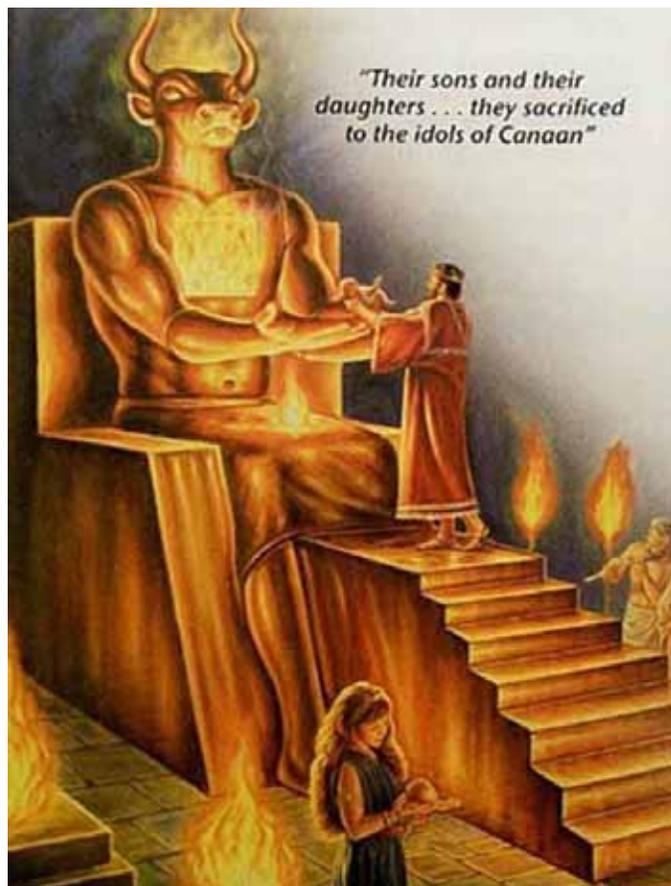


"And thou shalt not let any of thy seed pass Through The Fire To Molech; neither shalt thou profane the Name of thy God: I Am The LORD." Leviticus 18:21 KJV

Baal (Lord) Molech was the sun god of the Ammonites. Its outstretched hands would be heated with a bon-fire below them and infants would be placed screaming onto the red hot brass or iron to release them from their physical bodies to supposedly join the god Molech in the heavens. Satan had so twisted men's thinking that they thought they were giving their children the gift of godhood and at the same time procuring a blessing for themselves. We shrink in horror at the thought of burning infants, but say nothing about murderous fiends who literally rip infants apart in the womb with powerful vacuums and surgical tools and throw their remains in a dumpster or worse, sell their bodies! After Lot fled Sodom and his wife turned to salt, his ungodly daughters got him drunk and conceived children with their drunken father. *"And the younger, she also bare a son, and called his name Benammi: the same is the father of the children of Ammon unto this day."* God also warned the Israelites, any compromise with the Canaanites, *"shall be pricks in your eyes, and thorns in your sides, and shall vex you in the land wherein ye dwell."* But did they heed the warning? *"The children of Israel did evil again in the Sight of the LORD, and served Baalim, and Ashtaroth, and the gods of Syria, and the gods of Zidon, and the gods of Moab, and the gods of the children of Ammon."*



Canaan represents the promise and peril of the true believer's pilgrimage. Around us there are deities being worshipped by the "inhabitants of the land;" deities like fame, wealth, power, and pleasure. Parents offer children to the gods Wealth, Pleasure, and Entertainment with abortion, school activities, beauty pageants, talent contests and more. Worshippers laugh, clap, and shout as the priests and priestesses (judges) accept or reject the offerings. TV shows promote human reason with the guise of truth, sitcoms exalt immorality under the cloak of humor, and *"the love of money is the root of all evil!"*

Walk not the path of leisure fun,
The gods of Ammon you must shun,
Rebuke who slay the innocent,
Obey the Word 'twas heaven sent. –CGP

Believers may not overtly worship the gods of the land, but they are covertly in collusion every time they watch a show or do activities that exalt fame and wealth over the Word of God. The god, Pleasure, is insidiously evil! We bend in homage to the Molech of this world whenever we yield to lust. Overtime may seem a boon, but if you need more money to maintain a lifestyle of self-indulgence and unneeded material property, you've made yourself a worshipper of Molech. Look around your house and note things you don't really "need" to exist. Many believers forsake family in the name of "Christian" service. Family is the first ministry of every believer! Not to say we neglect all the others, but family takes priority! Many a ministry has been destroyed by a neglected family and prosperity destroys more believers than persecution ever did! Your children raise your grandchildren!

"And thou shalt love the LORD thy God with all thine heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy might. And these Words, Which I Command thee this day, Shall Be in thine heart: And thou shalt teach Them diligently unto thy children, and shalt talk of Them when thou sittest in thine house, and when thou walkest by the way, and when thou liest down, and when thou risest up." Deuteronomy 6:5-7 KJV