

Re: Asian natural disaster or evolution in action?

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On Sun, 02 Jan 2005 09:28:15 -0500, Raymond Griffith
<tiffirgReverse@ctc.net> said in alt.atheism:

>> *"When it comes to specifics, Christians are as deceitful and two faced
>> as ever. They are utterly unable to deny that 25 December was the
>> birthday of the Unconquerable Sun, the Roman name of Mithras. What
>> they say is that it does not matter! Suddenly all Christians become
>> fundamentalists because the New Testament does not say when Jesus was
>> born. The church decided Jesus was born on 25 December precisely
>> because it was already the highly popular birthday of Mithras, and a
>> national holiday. What it was was the midwinter solstice, a solar
>> festival and therefore associated with a solar god. The reason the
>> Christian bishops were happy to accept this as a Christian festival
>> was because Christianity was seen by everyone as a solar religion<even
>> the Christian bishops." – ibid*

>Actually, I was not able to find this last quote in either of your two
>sources above. I would be interested in finding the source for this quote.
>Would you please post the source?

<http://www.askwhy.co.uk/christianity/0690Mithras.html> down near the
bottom (4th graph up). I don't know why I thought it was at the
second listed source.

>For a better perspective of the issue of the dating of Christmas, and indeed
>the **many** different dates that were celebrated and their reasoning for
>settling upon December 25, see the *Catholic Encyclopedia*.

Oh, now there's a totally unbiased source.

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"The doctrine that the earth is neither the center of the universe nor immovable, but moves even with a daily rotation, is absurd, and both philosophically and theologically false, and at the least an error of faith."

- Catholic Church's decision against Galileo Galilei

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