#2595 The Yom Kippur War and the Abomination of Desolation – The post-World War II U.S. waxing great toward the South and toward the East as a second Syria/Antiochus IV Epiphanes,

part 854, The 1947-1948 Tribe of Dan, (lv), Bes, a predecessor of Santa Claus, who resides in the North

Key Understanding: *Bes and Santa Claus*. Many sources indicate that the Egyptian god Bes is a chief predecessor of Santa Claus.

Source #1; *Bes and Santa Claus*. In ancient Egypt they believed in Bes, a deity who

supposedly gave presents to children who were good.

Source #2; *Bes and Santa Claus*. The legends of St. Nicholas bear many similarities to those of the ancient Egyptian god Bes, a rotund, gnome-like personage who was the patron of little children.

Source #3; Bes and Santa

Claus. The legends of Santa Claus are quite similar to those of the ancient Egyptian god Bes. Bes was a short, rotund god who was said to give gifts to children. They were told he lived in the far north,

where he spent most of the year making toys for them.





Source #4; *Bes and Santa Claus*. But the Santa Claus concept originally came from ancient Egypt. The pagan

Egyptian god Bes was a rounded, gnome-like personage who was the patron of little children.
Bes was said to live at the North Pole, working all year-round to produce toys for children who had been good and obedient to their parents. In Dutch, he was called

"Sinter Klaas." The custom was brought to America by Dutch settlers. In European countries, Santa Claus was originally a grim personage who traversed the countryside, determined to find out who had been "naughty or nice." Those who had been naughty were quickly switched.

Source #5; *Bes and Santa Claus*. The ancient Egyptians may have known him as a minor but very popular deity, Bes, grotesque, pot-bellied and cheerful. The Romans called him Janus and sought his blessings at the outset of any new venture. On his festival on the first of January (the month named after him) he was treated with special cakes; mutual good wishes were exchanged and people made presents of sweets for one another to serve as a good omen for the new year. In the West he is ubiquitous as the corpulent and jolly Santa Claus, the dispenser of boons and gifts, especially to children, who knows our thoughts, words and deeds and bestows rewards accordingly.

Psalm 75:5-7 (KJV) LIFT NOT UP YOUR HORN on high: speak not with a stiff neck.

6 For promotion cometh neither from the east, nor from the west, nor from the south [but from the north].

7 But God [in the north] is the judge: he putteth down one, and setteth up another.



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