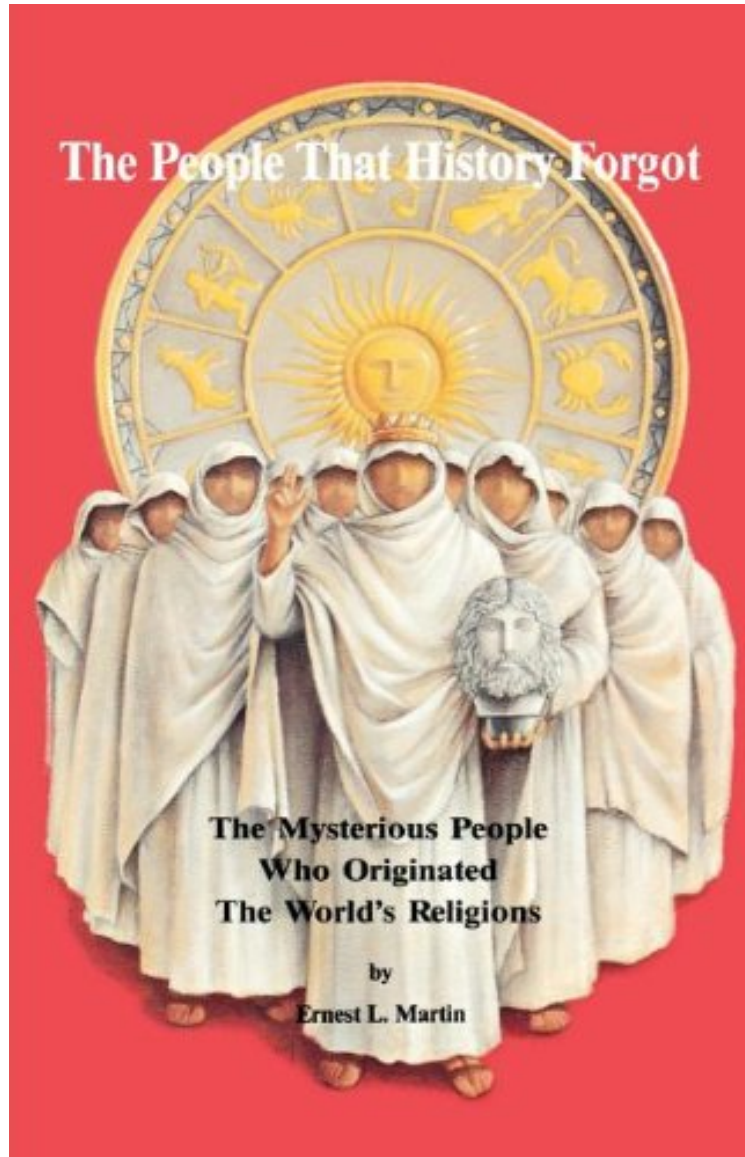


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If you want a similar experience, stop here. If you want to know what the book is about, read on. Dr. Martin presents evidence of three primary ways paganism entered the church. The first was via Simon Magus, the same Simon mentioned in Acts 8:18 who wanted to buy the power of the apostles. The second source was the slaves brought to Italy in such numbers that the original Latins all but disappeared. Most of the slaves were from Syria and Samaria, whose ancestors had come from the vicinity of Babylon before settling the lands vacated by the Israelites when they were captured and marched off to the east. Several of the later Roman emperors were descended from freed slaves. This made the Roman Empire both a religious and racial continuation of the Babylonian Empire. The third source cited by Dr. Martin for the pagan beliefs was the emperor Constantine. Though he claimed to be a Christian, he continued to mint coins with the image of the sun god. Dr. Martin includes a rather interesting quote from a letter Eusebius wrote to Constantina, the emperor's sister, in which he refuses to send her pictures or images of Christ and the apostles, stating that "such practices are illegal for us." Overall, only a small percentage of the information in the book was familiar to me. Most of it was new, detailed, and quite worth the time spent reading the book. I wish the author had included more specifics about the pagan practices introduced into the Christian Church, but the bibliography supplied me with references I am already tracking down.

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