Don't Do What the Pagans Do

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The Bible says we are not to do what the pagans do, but also we are not to incorporate any of the rituals the pagans do. God hates these things and thinks these things are disgusting because of what they do in their pagan ritual.

"You shall not worship the LORD your God **in that way**; for every abomination to the LORD which He hates they have done to their gods; for they burn even their sons and daughters in the fire to their gods;" Deuteronomy 12:31 NKJV.

God says pagan rituals are worthless and we are not to do what they do. For example, Jeremiah points out that people decorate trees, but they are not alive; they have to be set up so they won't fall over.

"Do not learn the way of the Gentiles; do not be dismayed at the signs of heaven, for the Gentiles are dismayed at them. For the customs of the peoples are futile; for one cuts a tree from the forest, the work of the hands of the workman, with the ax. They decorate it with silver and gold; they fasten it with nails and hammers so that it will not topple." Jeremiah 10:2-4 NKJV.