

Nativity Seen

According to Christian tradition, Jesus was born in a manger in a stable. That's the idea behind the nativity scenes so popular in December.

But there is a cave in Bethlehem which is also held to be the birthplace of Jesus. I've been there, seen that.

As it turns out, that same cave is also held to be the birthplace of the pagan god Adonis/Tammuz, long before Jesus was born there. What a coincidence!

And Jesus wasn't the only important figure who was wrapped in swaddling clothes and placed in a manger. So were the Greek gods Hermes and Dionysus -- way before Jesus' birth.

Isn't that weird? But it gets even more so. Turns out there were a whole lot of pagan gods, all way before Jesus, who were all born on December 25!

What are the odds!