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Chapter 1. The Gods, - He - creates!

Sweet little lies!

What a virtuous thing a lie.

Give it to me, all your honeyed little lies!

I will listen to it, taste its contents, savour its sugar, and exhibit the remains. Guess what persists?

- The rock-solid “Truth”. -

I never bothered to understand the Trinity. I also never had I the need to explain this God called the “Father, Son and Holy Ghost”. I simply knew that God almighty was the Father and His Spirit could somehow exist outside the Father’s domain. I also knew that Jesus was the Son of God the Father and these “Three” are one in existence, but I never perceived them as three different gods. As I mentioned, the explanation of the Trinity never bothered me at all! Or shall I say, it never bothered me to understand the Trinity until the day I was asked to explain how the Father, Jesus and the Holy Ghost could each be God, yet still be “One”.

And the person who asked me to explain the Trinity was a Muslim. Since then I must have met hundreds of Muslims with questions on the reality of the Trinity, yet very few Christians were able to explain it to me! The question is therefore, is the Trinity simply a dogmatic trap that was concocted by the Church, or is Jesus really God? If Jesus is also God, why did God the Father needed to create another God? Who is

'almighty God' between the Father, Holy Ghost and Jesus? Who was God's wife if Jesus is His only begotten Son? How can three gods be one god?

...and so, the questions heaped up with very few answers...

I might not have had the explanations to the Trinity, but I knew that Jesus was my saviour from eternal death, the Father was my creator and His Spirit dwells within my soul. I knew that these three are different persons, yet I also knew they are one and the same God. But any explanation seemed illogical and I started to wonder if I merely believe in some ancient pagan myth!

Then a desire to be able to explain this "Trinity", engaged a burning spirit within me and I started to search for the Truth. I reasoned that if I could not find the Trinity in the Bible, I would have to acknowledge that such a teaching should be discarded as blasphemy against God. On the contrary, if the Bible does teach a Trinity, I wanted to know why Christians are having such a difficult time explaining it to me.

Where, I asked myself, will I find out who God really is? Well, the answer is very simple indeed. Every religion on Earth uses the Bible as their source and claims the Old Testament as the authored work of God, except for the very far eastern religions (Hindu, Buddhist, and Shinto etc.). The Jews obviously claim the Old Testament as their divine instruction and law to abide with. The Christians claim Jesus as the physical manifestation of these "Scriptures". Muslims might not like to agree on the point that the Quran uses much from the Bible to endorse its historical origins, but their claim that the God of the Bible and Allah is one and the same is enough to realise that the Bible is a much needed resource for Islam. Even more "modern religions" such as the Mormons (Church of the Latter day Saints), Jehovah's Witnesses (Watchtower Bible and Tract society) 7th day Adventists, and numerous other sects cannot exist without the Bible as their foundation, even if their interpretation might be questionable.

I again theorised and questioned the aspect of where one will find the true original description on whom and what God really is. As a Christian I will always refer to the Bible as the true Word of God, but the Bible is composed of two different collections of books. One collection is the Old Testament comprising of the Torah, Prophets, and poetry that existed before 500 BC, and the other collection of books are known as the New Testament comprises of the four gospels and other books written by the apostles of Jesus after 40 AD. I thought for myself, if the Trinity originated only from the New Testament, then I have grounds to believe in the Trinity, but I will have to admit that there is no historical support in the divinity of Jesus Christ.

Allow me to explain.

If the New Testament claims God as a Trinity, the Christian can rest assure that they believe what was taught by the apostles. If the Trinity is not to be found in the New Testament, Christians should reconsider their religion!

However, if the Trinity is taught in the New Testament, but not in the Old Testament, then the Trinity was a new invention by the first Christians and apostles. If the latter is true, Christianity is then the most dishonest religion on earth!

Embracing the above reasoning, I demanded from myself to start with the Old Testament to see if the prophets of old knew if God was a Trinity or not.

The first verse in the Bible!

Many Christians do not know that the very first verse in the Bible reveals the Tri-une nature of God. I did not! I was never taught this fact in the years I spent in church. True, the real meaning of Genesis 1: 1 got lost during translation, but we do have the Hebrew manuscripts to use in our investigation. What's more,

the wonderful way in which God protected His Word for over 2 000 years is breath taking. Let me explain. The oldest Hebrew manuscript of the Old Testament used to date to about 800 AD. Many critics of the Bible always used this fact to discredit the authority of the Old Testament and many times claimed inefficiency on behalf of the timeframe between authorship and documentation. I am well informed on how the likes of Atheists were silenced when the Dead Sea Scrolls was discovered in 1948. All the books of the Old Testament (except Esther) were somehow preserved in these caves at Qumran. These manuscripts in old pottery jars served as time capsules of the Old Testament from 175 BC to 1948 AD! Some books had multiple manuscripts and demonstrated the careful copying and preservation to the last letter for more than 2 200 years. (175 BC to 1948 AD) There exists virtually no difference between these ancient manuscripts and the copies of the Old Testament we always had. (And that is a timeframe of more than 2 200 years) No book on earth has such authority as the Old Testament.

Ok, so what is so unique about the first verse in the Bible?

Genesis 1:1 In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth.

Remember I said much was lost during translation. Read the following literal translation carefully.

בְּרֵאשִׁית	בְּרָא	הַשָּׁמַיִם	אֶת	אֱלֹהִים	וְאֶת	הָאָרֶץ
b·rashith	bra	aleim	ath	e·shmim	u·ath	e·artz
in·beginning	he·created	Elohim	»	the·heavens	and·»	the·earth

Take note, the words of Genesis one reads: “In the beginning Elohim (Plural) He - created (singular)”.

Elohim is not singular, but plural!

This is a grammatical error! The verse is telling us that the Gods – He who created the universe -, is a plural God but is also ‘ONE’.

Think about this fact. The Jewish writers and copyists re-produced manuscripts for over 3 400 years, and the very first verse in their Torah contained a grammatical error! If they did not believe in the Trinity, why did they not change this mistake? Why did they not change it to “In the beginning El (Singular of Elohim), - He - created the heavens and earth”? Obviously they never changed these words due to the respect they had for the manuscripts in their possession. Ironically, Genesis 1: 1 is not only the greatest testimony that God is a Trinity, but it also testifies to the careful copies produced by the scribes of Genesis who refused to change a simple “grammatical error” that could have removed the plurality of God! Did they know the first verse in Genesis was actual evidence of a ‘Plural God’ that creates as a ‘One God’?

Yes they knew! Because...

The second verse in Genesis.

The instant God finished creating the Heaven and Earth, ‘God’s Spirit’ exited His domain and:

Genesis 1:2 ... And the **Spirit of God** moved upon the face of the waters.

Here we find another statement to God’s plurality. The Spirit of God (Spirit of the Gods – He - who created in singular) left His ‘being’ and moved above the waters of the earth! This is the very reason why the copyists and scribes of the Old Testament refused to change the ‘grammatical error’ in Genesis 1: 1! They realised that God had a Spirit that could somehow ‘divide’ out of the Father. (If I am allowed to use the word divide for a brief moment)

Let’s look at an allegorical description of God and His Spirit in this way. I as a man believe that I have a spirit within me. This body you speak to and see is simply the ‘container’ or ‘vessel’ my spirit lives in. My spirit is able to leave my body, but this will only happen when I die. God on the other hand, does not die! When His Spirit leaves His existence, God continues to live as the almighty God of the Universe, whilst His Spirit exits His domain to visit His creation.

Now we come to the Truth about the plurality of God and my challenge to any person that criticizes the Trinity. Do you believe (from Genesis 1) that God and His Spirit are two gods, or one and the same God in the person of the Spirit and the person of the Father?" Think carefully before you answer this question.

The Spirit of the Father is not some 'other god' who Christians enlists as an equal God to God the Father! If anyone claims that the Spirit of God is not out of the essence of the Father but some pagan opponent of God the Father, such a person is blaspheming against the Holy Ghost! No wonder Jesus said that blasphemy against the Holy Ghost is an unforgiving sin¹. It is because the Holy Ghost is the Spirit of God the Father, and He is in God the Father! The Spirit of God is therefore one and the same as the Father and anyone blaspheming the Holy Ghost therefore blasphemes God!

We saw that God was called 'Gods', but created as 'One', and we learned that God's Spirit could actually leave the existence of the Father to visit His creation. But, the Bible teaches us much more about the appearance and existence of God than just the above. It is important to take a detour on how the Bible describes the appearance of God before we continue our investigation on the evidence of the Trinity.

Guess what? The Bible does tell us how God looks!

"... In Our (Triune) image..."

In Genesis 1 verses 3, 6, 9, 11, 14, 20 and 24 we read the words: "and God said." It seems as if God is actually creating everything by instructions from His words, if for instance He says "Let there be light!" but when we arrive at verse 26 we discover that God was actually speaking to another being, or beings!

Gen 1:26 And God said; **Let us make man in our image,**

Who does God speak to here? Perhaps He spoke to His angels?

Definitely not! God won't use angels to assist Him to create the first human. God is the only entity that can create and it is unthinkable that he would ask angels to make man. As we saw in verse 1 and 2, God has a Spirit that can leave His existence. Did God speak to His Spirit? I believe he did and decided to create Adam in His image with an eternal spirit! (As a replicate of the Father and God's Spirit) Angels are spiritual beings with no physical body. Therefore man was not created in the image of Angels, but God created Adam in His image to be a physical creation with an eternal spirit that would dwell within that physical body.

Ok, so how does God look then? Like a man?

No, Man now looks different now than how he did the day God created him. Therefore, we are different to God's appearance because, God is light.² God covers Himself with light as we cover ourselves with garments.³ In the New Jerusalem God will be an everlasting light and Jesus the glory thereof.^{4 5}

The Bible even tells us when God revealed Himself to Moses, this glory of God actually 'radiated' onto Moses' face when he was in the presence of God for 40 days!⁶

¹ **Matthew 12:31** Wherefore I say unto you, All manner of sin and blasphemy shall be forgiven unto men: but the blasphemy against the Holy Ghost shall not be forgiven unto men.

² **1 John 1: 5** This then is the message which we have heard of him, and declare unto you, that God is light, and in him is no darkness at all.

³ **Psalms 104:2** Who coverest thyself with light as with a garment:..

⁴ **Isaiah 60: 19 – 20** The sun shall be no more thy light by day; neither for brightness shall the moon give light unto thee: but the LORD shall be unto thee an everlasting light, and thy God thy glory. Thy sun shall no more go down; neither shall thy moon withdraw itself: for the LORD shall be thine everlasting light, and the days of thy mourning shall be ended.

⁵ **Revelation 21: 23** And the city had no need of the sun, neither of the moon, to shine in it: for the glory of God did lighten it, and the Lamb is the light thereof.

Now that we established that God shines like light and He is the Father that has a Spirit, we can now return to the creation of Adam and Eve, when God said 'Let US make man in OUR image'. Adam and Eve did not know they were naked before they ate from the Tree of Knowledge!⁷ The reason is that they were made in the image of God and were wearing light as their garments exactly to the image of God! When they sinned, they lost this glorious light and their appearance changed to how we look today. Only then did they realise they were naked. Note another significant fact given to us that teaches us more about the reality of God.

God did not create Adam to die! Adam was created in the image of God, he had:⁸

1. An immortal body of glorious light,
2. A spirit that could not die,
3. And Adam possessed wisdom!

Now, this is an incredible truth indeed. God created Adam and Eve, not only with a body that radiated light, but they were created to live forever! Once they ate the forbidden fruit, they lost their glory as well as immortality! We can come to only one conclusion as to who God was speaking when He said, "**Let us make man in our image.**"

God the Father spoke to the Holy Ghost and to Jesus before He created Adam! (Proverbs 8: 15 – 36⁹, John 1: 3¹⁰ and 10, 14 and Col 1: 16¹¹, Hebrews 1: 2¹²)

- God was the ultimate person of the Trinity, just as Adam was a living soul.
- Adam had an eternal spirit just as God has the Holy Ghost,
- and Adam had wisdom, just as Jesus is the Wisdom and Word of God.

It is impossible to give a 'model' to explain the Trinity, because in such an attempt one will have to show something else to compare to God. Since there is only ONE God, no such comparison can exist. However, by investigating the fact that God made Adam in the image of Himself, it is easy to understand that the "sinless Adam" was an image of God, or better yet, the "sinless Adam" was an image of the TRINITY!

⁶ **Exodus 34:29, 30** And it came to pass, when Moses came down from mount Sinai with the two tables of testimony in Moses' hand, when he came down from the mount, that Moses wist not that the skin of his face shone while he talked with him. And when Aaron and all the children of Israel saw Moses, behold, the skin of his face shone; and they were afraid to come nigh him.

⁷ **Genesis 3:7** And the eyes of them (Adam and Eve) both were opened, and they knew that they were naked; and they sewed fig leaves together, and made themselves aprons.

⁸ **Genesis 2:17** But of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil, thou shalt not eat of it: for in the day that thou eatest thereof thou shalt surely die. **Genesis 3:19** In the sweat of thy face shalt thou eat bread, till thou return unto the ground; for out of it wast thou taken: for dust thou art, and unto dust shalt thou return.

⁹ **Pro 8:22** The LORD possessed me in the beginning of his way, before his works of old.

Pro 8:23 I was set up from everlasting, from the beginning, or ever the earth was.

Pro 8:27 When he prepared the heavens, I was there: when he set a compass upon the face of the depth:

Pro 8:30 Then I was by him, as one brought up with him: and I was daily his delight, rejoicing always before him;

Pro 8:31 Rejoicing in the habitable part of his earth; and my delights were with the sons of men.

¹⁰ **Joh 1:1** In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God.

Joh 1:2 The same was in the beginning with God.

Joh 1:3 All things were made by him; and without him was not any thing made that was made.

Joh 1:10 He was in the world, and the world was made by him, and the world knew him not.

Joh 1:14 And the Word was made flesh, and dwelt among us, (and we beheld his glory, the glory as of the only begotten of the Father,) full of grace and truth.

¹¹ **Col 1:16** For by him were all things created, that are in heaven, and that are in earth, visible and invisible, whether they be thrones, or dominions, or principalities, or powers: all things were created by him, and for him:

¹² **Heb 1:2** Hath in these last days spoken unto us by his Son, whom he hath appointed heir of all things, by whom also he made the worlds;

'We', 'Us' and 'Our'.

Now that we are back on track again, it is important to mention the other verses where God refer to Himself as 'US' and 'WE'.

Genesis 3:22 And the LORD God said, Behold, the man is become as one of **Us**, to know good and evil: and now, lest he put forth his hand, and take also of the tree of life, and eat, and live for ever:

By the way, did Adam and Eve know the difference between Good and Evil before they were disobedient and ate from the forbidden fruit? No, they did not. They were however given free choice to choose into being obedient to God else they would have been nothing more than 'Zombies' following a pre-programmed existence like some robotic toy to amuse God. No, God created Adam and Eve perfect and gave them free choice and logic. They obtained knowledge of evil and once they listened to Satan they brought corruption into the whole creation of God¹³.

It is this corruption that Satan conveyed into God's creation that removed us from God. This corrupt physical body we live in is incompatible with the glory of God. We would simply burn up in His presence. This is why Israel and the prophets were protected from the destructive force of God, only by the blood of offerings. This blood covered their sinful existence and, if I am allowed to say, kept their sins "hidden" from the eyes of God!

Wow, once I realised the above, I understood the reason why Jesus had to die for our sins. His blood not only covers our sinful nature of existence from the eyes of God, but Jesus had to die as a human being as the first human to acquire a glorious physical body such as the one Adam and Eve had before they sinned. With this effectuation, Jesus laid the ground rule for us all to follow.

I learned that there are more references of God referring to Himself in a plural "Us" in the Old Testament. For instance, when God decided to confuse the languages of humankind at the time they were building the tower of Babel, He did not say 'I' will go to confuse their language, but let "Us" go down, and there confound their language.¹⁴ I decided to see what the Hebrew manuscript rendered and was amazed to again discover how much got lost in translating from the Hebrew to English.

The translation from Hebrew renders "Grant attention, **WE** shall descend and **WE** shall confuse their lips..."

Genesis 11: 6.

הָבָה	נִרְדָּה	וְנִבְלָה	שָׁם
eb·e	nrde	u·nble	shm
grant-attention-you !	we-shall-descend	and-we-shall-disintegrate	there
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שִׁפְתָם	אֲשֶׁר	לֹא יִשְׁמְעוּ	יִשְׁפֹּת אִישׁ
shphth·m	ashr	la ishmou	aish shphth ro·eu
lip-of·them	which	not they-shall-hear	man lip-of associate-of·him

It is not difficult to understand that it was God who descended and confused the language of mankind. The only difficulty in this description lies at the feet of the criticizer of the Trinity, with the expression where God refers twice to Himself as "**WE**".

The exact same occurrence of God referring to Himself in the plural use is found in Isaiah 6: 8.¹⁵

¹³ **Rom 8:22** For we know that the whole creation groaneth and travaileth in pain together until now.

¹⁴ **Genesis 11:6** And the LORD said, Behold, the people is one, and they have all one language; and this they begin to do: and now nothing will be restrained from them, which they have imagined to do. **Genesis 11:7** let **Us** go down, and there confound their language, that they may not understand one another's speech.

¹⁵ **Isaiah 6:8** Also I heard the voice of the Lord, saying, Whom shall I send, and who will go for **Us**? Then said I, Here am I; send me.

Again, God calls Himself “I”, and asks who will go for ‘US’! Who was this ‘US’? If we keep on reading up to verse thirteen it is clear that this ‘US’ can only be God. Only God knows the future and relays the message of coming events to His prophets in person.

The above evidence concludes the description from the Old Testament that God defines Himself as Plural, yet acts in singular, uses plural nouns. (We, Us and Our) To top it all off, not a single scribe over a period of 3 400 years thought it fit to change the manuscripts of the Bible and to discard the description of a Tri-une God!

Regretfully, only in recent times there appeared Hebrew “scholars” who did attempt to explain away this plurality of God. The reason is that if the Jewish scholars admit to the ‘plurality of One God’ according to their very own Torah, they are compelled to embrace God as a Trinity, and to admit Jesus is God. One such a Hebrew scholar, who did his best to explain away the plurality of God in the Old Testament, was Heinrich F. W Gesenius. We will investigate his claims in the following chapters in detail.

The Royal ‘We’, or ‘Plural of Majesty’.

I find it somewhat humorous to understand why Muslim scholars try to discard the use of God’s plural use of ‘We’ and ‘Us’ in the Old Testament. The reason? They are in a terrible predicament due to the fact that the Quran continuously uses the words “We” and “Us” when Allah addresses himself.

If you were to ask any Muslim scholar why we find Allah describing himself as a plural ‘We’ and ‘Us’, he will be very fast to answer that such a form of speech is only to honour Allah. This he calls a “Pluralis Majesticae” or a “Royal We”. The use of the “Royal We” was an expression used by Queen Victoria and is best described when she said “We are not impressed” or “We demand loyalty as we provide as such”. Sure, this form of honourable speech was already in existence in the eighteenth century, but there exists not a single thread of evidence of the “Pluralis majesticae” in any ancient writing.

In short, the Muslim scholar simply hates the fact that anyone shows how Allah might be plural due to him being addressed as ‘We’ in the Quran. For that reason alone the Muslim scholar loves the argument of the “Royal We”. It not only allows an excuse to explain away the plural description of Allah, but they use it against the divinity of Jesus when the Bible claims a plurality of Yahweh!

I personally asked a Muslim scholar why Allah is not only addressed in the plural “We” but also in the singular “He”. Should the Quran not be consistent and make up its mind if Allah should be addressed with the “Royal WE”, or simply as “He”? This Muslim scholar answered in front of 300 people that the use of “HE” was a simple matter of erroneous translation. What he tried to tell us was that the English translation

was unfortunately translated wrong and we will find that Allah was never addressed in the singular 'He' in the original Arabic Quran.

Unfortunately for him, he forgot a small fact that would prove this argument in error. You see, the Christian world has something we call an "Interlinear Bible". That is a tool we use to understand the exact meaning of the words in the Hebrew and Greek Bible. Every single word in the Bible is numbered and its meaning explained. We have nothing to hide. However, there exists not a single 'Interlinear Quran' where us Christians can go and see what the Arabic Quran really says. The translations of the Quran from Arabic to English are nothing more than a 'whitewashed' edition to hide the true meaning of its violent and immoral instructions¹⁶. I myself was amazed at how the translators of the Quran attempted to 'Glorify the Quran' in translating it to English. Now, the error this Muslim scholar made was that he forgot we have Internet nowadays. I visited a website where every word from the Quran can be checked without the translator's sugar coating.

This Muslim scholar thought no Christian will ever learn that the Quran uses the word 'He' in the Arabic to denote the third person singular!¹⁷

Just look at what I found.

In the Quran 2 verse 29 it says

Well, this is just where the plot thickened and the drama unfolds even more.

I think you might have heard about the Jewish scholar, **Heinrich F. W Gesenius** (1786 –1842), who claimed that the plural of **Elohim** was an expression of '**pluralis excellentiae**' or '**pluralis majestatis**'. In layman's terms, he knew the Christians used the fact that the word "Elohim" (God) in the Bible was plural and they considered that as evidence that Elohim denotes the Trinity. Gesenius also had a problem with Genesis 1: 24; 3:22 and 11: 7 where God addresses Himself in the plural "Us" .He attempted to say that the author spoke of God in plural form as an expression of being majestically, similar as to the Queen of England addressing herself in plural for instance; "We will rule with guidance from God" or "We are not impressed".

What actually happened is Gesenius had to give an answer about these plural descriptions to prevent the claim that the God in the Old Testament was a Trinity. Gesenius concocted some nice **Hebrew grammar rules that never existed before** and hoped he would never be discovered. Most of his work was regrettably included in the Driver—Briggs concordance. Unfortunately for Gesenius, a Jewish Christian, C W H Pauli (Hirsch Prinz) appeared on the scene and wrote his critical comments against Gesenius' statements proving that Gesenius had misunderstood the grammar and perpetuated a hoax concerning the plurality of Elohim. He gave evidence that never at the time of the Old Testament were there ever a king or pagan god addressed in the plural. **The use of Elohim in the place of the singular form El was unique to Yahweh alone!**

And my discovery of C W H Pauli (Hirsch Prinz) who decimated the 'pluralis excellentiae' or 'pluralis majestatis' (Royal We), gave me the best ever evidence in support to the Trinity.

Christian William Henri Pauli (1800 to 1877) on the Jews and their scriptures.

Poor Muslim scholars! Their confrontations and explanations about the plural use in addressing Allah sent me on the track of Christian William Henri Pauli (1800 to 1877). Sometimes our paths are not determined by our vision, but by the direction of the Spirit of God as He leads us to the truth!

Christian William Henri Pauli was born, Tzvi Nazzi Prinz. Guess what, he was a Jew and upon investigating the Trinity, accepted Jesus Christ as his God and Savior! At the age of 23 he became a missionary for Jews

¹⁶ Osama Dakdok at his website <http://thestraightway.org/>

¹⁷ <http://corpus.quran.com/>

at the Missionary Society of Berlin and in 1844 he reportedly converted 1 000 Jews in Berlin to Christianity. The statistics increased and in 1850 he converted 2 500 Jews to accept Jesus as the Messiah! For over 40 years he ministered amongst his people and succeeded with incredible results that even today cannot be equaled.

However, his greatest work was not only in his missions to the Jews, but his answers to the Atheists and anti—Trinitarians. He wrote many books but his greatest work must surely be his “Analecta Hebraica” printed by Oxford University press in 1839. In that publication he proved Gesenius’s ‘pluralis excellentiae’ or ‘pluralis majestatis’ (Royal We) as a hoax of Hebrew grammar that never existed! It is so hilarious to still find Jewish scholars using Gesenius’ explanation uninformed of the error it comprises off.

But, this is not the publication that overturned the applecart for those that attack the Trinity. The book I found was his publication **“The great mystery or how can “Three” be one”**. In this book, Hirsch Prinz gives the reasons why Jews accept the Trinity as the God of the Old Testament.

Remember my question a few paragraphs ago. Why did the first Jews accept the Trinity seeing that they were all Jews? Also remember the two statements we saw from Paul and Apollos:

Acts 17:11 “These were more noble than those in Thessalonica, in that they **received the word** with all **readiness of mind**, and **searched the scriptures** daily, whether those things were so.”

and

Acts 18: 24; where we learn of a **Jew**, Apollos from Alexandria, that was **mighty in the scriptures** and who **“mightily convinced the Jews**, and that publicly, **showing by the scriptures that Jesus was Christ.”**

Here we have the truth in C.W.H. Pauli’s book.

The first Christians were all Jews that accepted the Trinity because they found it in their scriptures! Please note, the Apostles were able to show the Trinity to the Jews from the Old Testament and they proved Jesus was God!

In his book, C.W.H. Pauli first decimated Gesenius’s “pluralis majesticae” theory in explaining the fact than there exists not a single example in ancient Israel where it was used to honor any king or God. In support to Pauli’s claim, it should be noted that since he wrote this book in 1863, numerous archaeological discoveries in the Middle East also never produced any “Pluralis Majesticae” for any Monotheistic God or king. From Egypt to Ur of Chaldea, Susan, and Babylon, no example exists where Ramses, Einuma Elish, Shalmanesser, Nebuchadnezzar, Alexander the great and whoever addressed themselves in the plural “We”. The plural “We” belonged to Elohim YHWH alone!

C.W.H. Pauli says on page 3, “I was anxious to learn what those Jewish fathers taught upon the Trinity.” He then decided to consult the most ancient books and scriptures considered authentic.

- Tanakh—Hebrew Old Testament.
- The Talmud—Record of Rabinic Discussions on the Tanakh that contains two divisions.
 - The Mishnah (Judaism oral Law. 200 AD)
 - Gemara (Discussion on the Mishnah 500AD)

Then he also used the Targum’s that can be considered to be a Jewish Biblical Exegesis and it is printed alongside the Jewish Bible.

- Jerusalem Targum by Jonathan Ben Uzziel, dating long before the Christian era.
- Targum Onkelos (on the Torah)
- Targum Jonathan ben Uzziel (on the prophets)
- He also consulted the writings of Philo Judaeus of Alexandria who lived 20 BC to about 50 AD.

- Whilst he consulted the Zohar, he made it very clear on page 5, “I will also consult thee, but must as I love thee, yet thou must be beneath the Word of God. Thy testimony I cannot receive, further than it agrees with Moses and the Prophets.” The reason for his resistance to the Zohar was because he knew the Cabbalistic influence was non-scriptural and he knew they were misusing the Zohar.
- C.W.H. Pauli made it very clear on page 2. The “**Biblia Magna Hebraica**” (**Hebrew Bible**) will be his instructor and it overrules everything else.

One thing that bothered the anti—Trinitarian, Gesenius about Genesis was the use of God’s name “Elohim or 'ělôhîym (אלהים)”. You see, Elohim is not a singular noun, but the plural form. The singular form would be “El” and the expression of duplicate plural is “Eloah”. Elohim denotes the count of “Three or more”!¹⁸

Gesenius then again devised his own Hebrew grammar rule to circumvent this problem by claiming the following: If the noun is produced as the plural, but the following verb in the singular, then the noun should be regarded as singular also. Allow me to explain. The very first verse in the Bible is a good example.

In the beginning God created the heaven and the earth. That is the English translation. However, the true transliteration is “In the Beginning “**Gods**” (plural) “**creates**” (singular) the heaven and the earth.” Do you see the difference? Instead of saying “**God creates**”, we find “**Gods creates**”. Even in English it doesn’t sound correct. But, why would Moses have written it as such? For 2 500 years every Scribe and learned Israelite read the very first sentence of the Bible and saw that a plurality of Gods created in the singular, yet they never changed it!

Incredible indeed, here we have even more evidence that the Bible was never tampered with!

C.W.H. Pauli then proved Gesenius wrong on his concocted Hebrew grammar rule and says on page 6 and 7, “Everyone who is acquainted with the Hebrew and Chaldea languages, must know that **God in His Holy Writings**, very often **speaks of Himself in plural**. The passages are numerous, in which, instead of a grammatical agreement between the subject and predicate, we meet with a construction, which some “modern Grammarians”, who possess more of the so called philosophical than of real knowledge of the oriental languages, call a “*pluralis excelentiae*”. **This helps them out of every apparent difficulty.**

C.W.H. Pauli gives the following examples that show Gesenius’s grammatical rule is nothing more than a hoax. Here we find the plural noun and plural verb or the singular noun and singular verb. It does not get mixed up as Gesenius claimed.

- Genesis 29:27 Fulfil her week, and **we** will give thee this also for the service which **thou** shalt serve with **me** yet seven other years.
 - Here we find the subject and predicate in logical agreement.
- 1 Kings 12:9 And he (Rehoboam) said unto them, What counsel give ye that **we may** answer this people, who have spoken **to me**, saying, Make the yoke which thy father did put upon **us** lighter?
 - Again, here we find the subject and predicate in logical agreement. The “We” obviously meant the King and his court.
- 2 Samuel 16: 20; Job 18: 2; Daniel 2: 36 are more examples to the fact that only YHWH addressed Himself in the plural with a verb in the singular.

I conclude with C.W.H. Pauli’s final words on the subject. “I plainly perceive that, in those times, the great ones of the earth did not use a “*pluralis excelentiae*”!

Dr Arnold Fruchtenbaum supports Pauli with his observations:¹⁹

¹⁸ The Great mystery, how can Three be one. Page 11.

- Genesis 20:13 And it came to pass, when God (**plural Elohim**) caused (**They caused**) me to wander from my father's house, that I said unto her...
- Gen 35:7 And he built there an altar, and called the place Elbethel: because there God (**plural Elohim**) appeared (**They appeared**) unto him, when he fled from the face of his brother.
- 2 Samuel 7:23 And what one nation in the earth is like thy people, even like Israel, whom God (**plural Elohim**) went (**They went**) to redeem for a people to himself,
- Psalm 58:11 So that a man shall say, Verily there is a reward for the righteous: verily he is a God (**plural Elohim**) that judgeth (**They judge**) in the earth.

It also seems as if the anti—Trinitarians and Gesenius forgot about the other plural names of God. Even the claim that the plural should only be found with Elohim vanished with Pauli's evidence against the "pluralis majesticae" from the following examples.

- Ecclesiastes 12:1 Remember now thy Creator (**Plural Creators**) in the days of thy youth,
- Psalm 149:2 Let Israel be glad in his Maker (**Plural Makers**); let the children of Zion rejoice in their King!
- Josuah 24:19 But Joshua said to the people, "You are not able to serve the LORD (**YHWH**), for He is a holy God (**Holy Gods**). He is a jealous God; he will not forgive your transgressions or your sins.

C.W.H. Pauli then continues to prove that all the Jewish books referred to God in more than one personality but being one God. He then gives the examples that God is YHWH and God is the "Word".

- Deu 4:39 Know therefore this day, and consider it in thine heart, that the **LORD** (YHWH) he is God (Elohim) in heaven above, and upon the earth beneath: there is none else.
- Psa 33:6 By the **word** of the LORD were the heavens made; and all the host of them by the breath of his mouth.
- Even in the Shema, (Israel's confession throughout the ages) contains a description of the Trinity.

Deuteronomy 6:4 "Hear, O Israel: The LORD (YHWH) our God (Elohim plural), the LORD (YHWH) is one (eshad or united).

Well, no wonder the first Christians were from the Jewish religion. They understood the Trinity as YHWH their GODS, YHWH is ONE in UNITY!

C.W.H. Pauli continued to investigate the plural expression of God in Genesis 1. He says on page 22 that no rabbi could understand why God would call Himself in the plural in Genesis 1:26, 27.

"And God said, Let **us** make man in **our** image, after **our** likeness: ...So God created man in **his** own image, in the image of God created **he** him; male and female created **he** them."

What he could not understand was that not a single ancient book mentioned this as an error. In the Targums he did find that God could have spoken to the angels or even the earth to help God to create Adam. Pauli rejects the Zohar on such a thought that God needed the help of the creature to create! Then he made a discovery by the words of the Tikoon Soaar. It says that **The Highest God said it to YHWH!**

God "ELOHIM" spoke to the YHWH and the Word created!

Now, in the whole publication of C.W.H. Pauli, he shows that the "Word" and the "Spirit" of God was God!

¹⁹ www.messiahnj.org/af-tri-unity.htm (Ariel ministries)

His evidence came from the scriptures of the Jews and he spoke the language understood by the Jewish reader. He therefore proved to the Jews that the Trinity is found in the Torah and as he puts it clearly, "That Elohim is plural, I cannot deny; and that there is only one God is a Truth which approves itself to my mind; but it is my boned duty to search after a right knowledge of the God of my fathers, in order to see the vast **superiority of the God of Israel over the god of the Moslems; the wide difference between Elohim the God of the Bible and Allah of the Quran, who is no God.**

On page 26 Pauli shows that sometimes Moses also wrote the verb in plural to denote the Trinity.

- Gen 20:13 And it came to pass, when God (Elohim) caused (**they caused**) me to wander from my father's house, ...
- Gen 35:7 And he built there an altar, and called the place Elbethel: because there God (Elohim) appeared (**they appeared**) unto him, when he fled from the face of his brother.
- Josuah 24:19 And Joshua said unto the people, Ye cannot serve the LORD: for he is an holy God (**a Holy Ones**); he is a jealous God; he will not forgive your transgressions nor your sins.
- 2 Samuel 7:23 And what one nation in the earth is like thy people, even like Israel, whom God (**Elohim**) went (**They went**) to redeem for a people to **himself**, and to make him a name ...
- Psalm 58:11 So that a man shall say, Verily there is a reward for the righteous: verily he is a God (**Elohim**) that judgeth (**they Judge**) in the earth.
- Isa 54:5 For thy Maker (Makers) is thine husband (Husbands); the LORD (YHWH) of hosts is his name; and thy Redeemer the Holy One of Israel; The God of the whole earth shall he be called.

Then Pauli referred to Philo and shows the exact same belief that **Elohim consisted of three spirits in one.** In the following passage we find Philo expressing the knowledge that the Word was uncreated and the Ruler of the Universe.

What is so supportive of the following references from Philo is the fact that he died in 50AD. That places Philos' writings and understanding of God right at the time of the life of Jesus and the apostles! Remember now, Philo was not a Christian, but believed in the jewish scriptures. Therefore, if we find that Philo understood the plurality of Elohim, every single Muslim scholar is at a loss concerning the evidence of the Trinity from the Jewish Hebrew Bible!

Just look at the information Hirsh Prinz showed me in the publication of Philo's works. I have a copy myself and found this to be the final nail of the anti—Trinitarian's coffin!

Philo says:

- What then, can it be except the **Word, which is more ancient than all the things** which were the objects of creation, and by means of which it is the **Ruler of the Universe**, taking hold of it as a rudder, governs all things. And when **He was fashioning the World**, he used this as His instrument for the blameless argument of all the things which he was completing.²⁰

Philo also acknowledges that God had 3 natures.

- I am that I am...It is My nature to be, not to be described by a name...I allow you to use the word **Elohim** as My name, the Lord God of **three natures**...²¹

And Philo said that the Word created man.

- Moses affirms that this man was an image and imitation of the **Word of God**...²²

Just look at a Jew describing the coming ruler and Son of God (Jesus). Philo wrote this before 50 AD!

- For God, like a Shepard and King, governs the earth...ruling them according to law and justice, appointing, as their immediate superintendent, Hid own right reason, **His first born Son**, who is to

²⁰ Philo, Migration of Abraham 1: (6)

²¹ Philo, Change of names 1: (11)

²² Philo, On the Creation XLVIII: (139)

receive the **charge of this sacred company**, as the lieutenant of the great king; for it is said somewhere, **“Behold, I am He!”**²³

And the image of the angel that visited man was God.

- Why do we wonder, if God at times assumes the likeness of the angels...so that when He says, “I am the God who was seen by thee in the place of God...we must understand this that **God took the place of an Angel**...without changing His own real nature”²⁴

Philo also realized that the Word and Light was not created.

- “for the Lord is my Light and Savior” is the language of the psalms; and not only the light but He is also the archetypal pattern of every other light...rather he is more ancient than the archetypal model; Though He is spoken of as the model; for the real model was His most perfect Word, the Light and Himself is like no created thing.²⁵

C.W.H. Pauli gives evidence that the “Word of God” is no one else than YHWH and that the Jewish scholars knew this fact due to the references supplied from the Jerusalem Targum and Targum Onkelos and Jonathan ben Uzziel on the verses of Genesis 19: 24 as well as Genesis 28: 20.

- Genesis 19:24 Then the LORD rained upon Sodom and upon Gomorrah brimstone and fire from the LORD out of heaven;

In the above verse C.W.H. Pauli saw that all the Jewish scriptures said that this “second YHWH” was the second pillar of the Godhead with three steps. They all translated the first “YHWH” as the “Word of God”.

In Genesis 28:20 – 22, C.W.H. Pauli also found that all the commentaries explained that this God of Jacob was the “Word of God”. It could not have been the Lord God, because no one can see Him, but His Word interacted with man.

- And Jacob vowed a vow, saying, If God will be with me, and will keep me in this way that I go, and will give me bread to eat, and raiment to put on,
So that I come again to my father's house in peace; then shall the LORD be my God:
And this stone, which I have set for a pillar, shall be God's house: and of all that thou shalt give me I will surely give the tenth unto thee.

C.W.H. Pauli investigated the “Angel of the Covenant” and found that the Jewish scriptures also considered Him as God uncreated. All the Jewish scriptures understood this Lord that will come to His temple is not the same as the one who sent the messenger. They identify Him as the Angel of covenant and God Himself.

- Malachi 3:1 Behold, I will send my messenger, and he shall prepare the way before me: and the Lord, whom ye seek, shall suddenly come to his temple, even the messenger of the covenant, whom ye delight in: behold, he shall come, saith the LORD of hosts.

He found the exact explanation for the Angel that undertook the covenant with Jacob was also considered as God by the ancient Jewish writers.

- Genesis 48:15 - 16 And he blessed Joseph, and said, God, before whom my fathers Abraham and Isaac did walk, **the God** which fed me all my life long unto this day,
The Angel which redeemed me from all evil, bless the lads; and let my name be named on them, and the name of my fathers Abraham and Isaac; and let them grow into a multitude in the midst of the earth.

All the Targums, Misnah and Gemara agreed that the God Moses spoke to was the Angel of the covenant, the uncreated being and styled “The Lord”

²³ Philo, on Husbandry XII: (49)

²⁴ Philo, On Dreams XLI: (238)

²⁵ Philo, on Dreams XIII : (75)

- Exodus 19:19 - 20 And when the voice of the trumpet sounded long, and waxed louder and louder, Moses spake, and God answered him by a voice.
And the LORD came down upon mount Sinai, on the top of the mount: and the LORD called Moses up to the top of the mount; and Moses went up.

C.W.H. Pauli then proves the fact that the Angel of the Covenant is no one else than God. He also proved the same from the Targums, Misnah and Gemara.

- Genesis 31:11- 13 And **the angel of God spake unto me** in a dream, saying, Jacob: And I said, Here am I.
And he said, Lift up now thine eyes, and see, all the rams which leap upon the cattle are ringstraked, speckled, and grisled: for I have seen all that Laban doeth unto thee.
I am the God of Bethel, where thou anointedst the pillar, and where thou vowedst a vow unto me: now arise, get thee out from this land, and return unto the land of thy kindred.

Anyhow, here we have the best ever evidence for the Trinity. Nothing was concocted as the Muslim thinks, it comes from the Bible. From the Old Testament that was in possession by the very Jews that understood the Trinity as ONE GOD at the time when the apostles was still living!

Trinity in the Old Testament.

Pagan origins of the Trinity

Root cause why Muslims find the Trinity despicable.

Even before we discuss the Trinity and other findings upon this dogma, it is imperative to know the reason why Muslims can never accept the trinity as a True description of God. You can explain the Trinity to a Muslim with all the verses from the Old and New Testament, show them what the first Christians believed, produce evidence that the Trinity existed hundreds of years before Constantine hosted the Council of Nicea, and if possible, you can even produce Jesus in living presence to show them personally how the Trinity looks, but they will dispose the Trinity without any remorse.

Why, would you ask, will the Muslim refuse to acknowledge the Trinity? **Because, the Quran teaches Muslims that the Trinity is blasphemy!**

This is the sole reason for their hatred at the very mentioning of the word 'Trinity'. Muslims regard the Quran as the only miraculous word of God. The Bible, to all Muslims is only a worthless piece of corrupted writings by the hands of Jews and Christians. Muslims will never read the Bible. They will leave such a study to their Muslim scholars with the greatest of trust that their Imam, Mufti and learned scholars. These learned scholars will report the "truth about how Satan changed everything". More than once do they reverberate that the Biblical revelation of Allah to the Jews and Christians was corrupted and Allah had to send Muhammad to restore the true religion by his miracle the Quran. This Islamic propaganda is etched so deep in the Muslim mind, that their opinion of the Bible is reduced to nothing more than a remnant of Allah's revelation, corrupted by the hands of those deceiving and lying Christian scholars.

What does the Quran say about Jesus and the Trinity?

Here are the verses where Allah "warned against the blasphemous dogma of a Trinity" from the Quran:

(4: 171) O People of the Scripture, do not commit excess in your religion or say about Allah except the truth. The Messiah, **Jesus**, the son of Mary, **was but a messenger of Allah** and His word which He directed to Mary and a soul [created at a command] from Him. So believe in Allah and His messengers. **And do not say, "Three"; desist - it is better for you.** Indeed, **Allah is but one God. Exalted is He above having a son.** To Him belongs whatever is in the heavens and whatever is on the earth. And sufficient is Allah as Disposer of affairs. [Sahee International translation]

- Jesus was only a prophet.
- Do not say "Three".
- Allah is one God.
- Allah is too exalted to have a son.

(5: 72) They have certainly disbelieved who say, "**Allah is the Messiah, the son of Mary**" while the Messiah has said, "O Children of Israel, worship Allah, my Lord and your Lord." Indeed, **he who associates others with Allah** - Allah has forbidden him Paradise, **and his refuge is the Fire.** And there are not for the wrongdoers any helpers.

(5: 73) They have certainly disbelieved who say, "**Allah is the third of three.**" And there is no god except one God. And if they do not desist from what they are saying, there will surely afflict the disbelievers among them **a painful punishment.** [Sahee International translation]

- Allah is not the Messiah, the son of Mary.
- The Messiah allegedly said you will go to hell if you associate others with Allah.
- You are a disbeliever if you say Allah is one of three.

(5: 116) And [beware the Day] when Allah will say, "**O Jesus, Son of Mary, did you say to the people, 'Take me and my mother as deities besides Allah?'**" He will say, "Exalted are You! It was not for me to say that to which I have no right. If I had said it, You would have known it. You know what is within myself, and I do not know what is within Yourself. Indeed, it is You who is Knower of the unseen.

(5: 117) **I said not to them except what You commanded me - to worship Allah, my Lord and your Lord.** And I was a witness over them as long as I was among them; but when You took me up, You were the Observer over them, and You are, over all things, Witness. [Sahee International translation]

- Allah will ask Jesus on the Day of Judgement if Jesus told anyone to worship Him and His mother besides Allah, whereupon Jesus will allegedly deny that accusation.

(5: 17) They have certainly disbelieved who say that **Allah is Christ, the son of Mary.** Say, "**Then who could prevent Allah at all if He had intended to destroy Christ, the son of Mary, or his mother or everyone on the earth?**" And to Allah belongs the dominion of the heavens and the earth and whatever is between them. He creates what He wills, and Allah is over all things competent. [Sahee International translation]

- There are disbelievers who said Allah is Christ. This cannot be true, because Allah could have destroyed Christ, Mary and everyone on earth.

(9: 30) The Jews say, "**Ezra is the son of Allah** "; and the Christians say, "**The Messiah is the son of Allah.**" That is their statement from their mouths; they imitate the saying of those who disbelieved [before them]. May Allah destroy them; how are they deluded?

(9: 31) They have taken their **scholars and monks as lords besides Allah, and [also] the Messiah, the son of Mary.** And they were not commanded except to **worship one God**; there is no deity except Him. Exalted is He above whatever they associate with Him. [Sahee International translation]

- The Jews say Ezra is the Son of Allah.
- The Christians say the Messiah is the Son of Allah.
- “They” took scholars and monks as lords besides Allah.
- Christians took the Messiah as a lord besides Allah.
- “They” were commanded to worship one God.

(6: 100) But they have attributed to Allah partners - the jinn, while He has created them - and have **fabricated for Him sons and daughters**. Exalted is He and high above what they describe

(6: 101) [He is] Originator of the heavens and the earth. **How could He have a son when He does not have a companion** and He created all things? And He is, of all things, Knowing. [Sahee International translation]

- “They” fabricated sons and daughters for Allah.
- Allah cannot have a son because he does not have a companion.

(72: 1) Say, [O Muhammad], "It has been revealed to me that **a group of the jinn listened** and said, 'Indeed, we have heard an amazing Qur'an.

(72: 2) It guides to the right course, and we have believed in it. And we will never associate with our Lord anyone.

(72: 3) And [it teaches] that exalted is the nobleness of **our Lord**; He **has not taken a wife or a son** [Sahee International translation]

- Some jinn (spiritual beings) listened to the Quran and they declare that Allah did not take a wife or a son.

To the Muslim, the Quran is very clear. The Trinity is blasphemy! Anyone that attribute anything else, even Jesus as a god equal to Allah, will go to hell. End of story!

Even though the non - Muslim reader of the Quran might find the description on the Trinity from the Quran strange and incomparable with what the Bible defines, to the Muslim it remains a warning not to worship a polytheistic god. Now, no matter how the Christian explains and produce evidence from the Bible to demonstrate the trinity as a monotheist God, the Muslim are mandated by their belief in the Quran that the Trinity is blasphemy.

Re-evaluation of what the Quran teaches about the Trinity.

But, why don't we re-evaluate the above statements from the Quran to establish if its description about the Trinity should be regarded as authentic?

- Jesus was only a prophet.
 - I do not have a problem with Jesus acknowledged as a prophet.
- Do not say “Three”.
 - Three what? Three Gods? Never will I say that God is three. I believe that the Trinity is one God. I do however also believe that within this God there are the Word and Spirit of God that can act as God independent from the Father.
- Allah is one God.
 - I agree that Elohim is one God.
- Allah is too exalted to have a son.
 - I agree that Elohim is too exalted to have a son, but I also claim that the Word of God has the capability to leave the realm of the Elohim and to be born as a man by a woman on earth, to live as a man and to eventually die as a man. However, this Word of God cannot

die and He received a resurrection to be the first “man” to overcome death. This Word of God was called the Son of God, because He came from God. He is also called the Son of man because his lineage originated from Adam, or mensch (man). The Son of God has nothing to do with God having a wife and giving birth to a child.

- Allah is not the Messiah, the son of Mary.
 - Never did anyone say that Allah is the son of Mary. Jesus is the son of Mary.
 - Even Elohim was not the son of Mary.
- The Messiah allegedly said you will go to hell if you associate others with Allah.
 - I can only ponder over the thought why I should accept Allah as God? Is it not true that accepting Allah, one is actually associating others with Yahweh Elohim?
 - What evidence exists that Allah and Yahweh are the one and same?
- You are a disbeliever if you say Allah is one of three.
 - I agree. Allah is not one of three gods!
 - I can also say that Allah is not one of the Trinity. How do I know that Allah is the same as Yahweh?
 - For that matter, I also do not believe that Yahweh is one of three gods!
- Allah will ask Jesus on the Day of Judgement if Jesus told anyone to worship Him and His mother besides Allah, whereupon Jesus will allegedly deny that accusation.
 - This is a most curious statement. Allah is telling us that Jesus will confirm Allah as the only god and that Jesus never said he and Mary should be worshipped as gods. Why did Jesus not say that whilst he was on earth?
 - How do you expect me to believe in some claim that will somewhere in future occur? It sounds as if someone is doing their utmost best to get me to believe that Jesus denied his divinity, but he will only do it on the last day!
- There are disbelievers who said Allah is Christ. This cannot be true, because Allah could have destroyed Christ, Mary and everyone on earth.
 - Another curious statement. Allah says anyone that says Jesus is God is wrong, because he could have killed Jesus, Mary and the whole earth!
 - Now, many people believed and currently believe that Jesus is God, yet, Allah did not destroy Jesus, Mary or the whole earth!
- The Jews say Ezra is the Son of Allah.
- The Christians say the Messiah is the Son of Allah.
- “They” took scholars and monks as lords besides Allah.
- Christians took the Messiah as a lord besides Allah.
- “They” were commanded to worship one God.
- “They” fabricated sons and daughters for Allah.
- Allah cannot have a son because he does not have a companion.
- Some jinn (spiritual beings) listened to the Quran and they declare that Allah did not take a wife or a son.

You see, to the Muslim either the Trinity is idolatry, polytheism, even sacrilege, or the Quran is wrong. Never can the Quran be wrong. Everything else might be false but the Quran! The Bible, science, history, Jesus, God Christians and Jews and anything else might be false, but never the Quran. For the slightest evidence to the fallibility of the Quran, and the Muslim is forced to admit that Muhammad was a false prophet!

What follows in this publication is a simple demonstration on just how far the Muslim scholar will go to disprove the Trinity in veneration to the Quran and their prophet Muhammad.
Let's see and learn!

The attacks against the Tri-une God of the Christian.

I never thought that a lie contained virtues to produce the truth. However, once I started to investigate the strands of deception spun by Muslims and atheists concerning the concoctions they knotted against the Trinity, I was surprised that I understood the Trinity for the first time in my life!

I should issue a warning to whoever reads this apology.

Do not think you will regard your religious beliefs the same way after you have read what I wrote in this document. You will learn that people blatantly deceive, and might even kill whilst they are convinced that they are doing God a service! You will see how deceptions and blatant contortionism of the truth is used by "religious men" to get you counted as one of their flock. I promise you, once you have read this book, you will never believe anything anyone tells you, but will rather investigate for yourself. If you want to remain blind and in the darkness of ignorance, stop reading now!

You were warned!

In July 2008; Yusuf Ismail²⁶ held a presentation in Erasmia, South Africa where he explained the "deficient" nature of Christianity. Yusuf Ismail gave many arguments against the Trinity and actually propositioned the Trinity as a concoction by the hands of Constantine the Great and ventured into the allegation that the Trinity was nothing more than pagan practices that evolved into Christianity from Tammuz, Osiris, and even Brahma etc.

This was a shocking collection of information and on November 2008, Yusuf Ismail and I entered into a debate where he made even more statements against the Trinity. I was totally unprepared for the "evidence" Yusuf presented to me and the audience. Quite frankly, if we have to measure the success of that debate with my answers on the Trinity, I had a terrible whipping indeed. No excuses from my side. However, once you read through the following chapter, you will learn that the "evidence" was totally dishonest and I don't think anyone would have done much better if they were confronted with these fictitious facts.

Over the next 4 years I studied everything he said and I found the most amazing facts in support to the Trinity. Frankly, Yusuf Ismail actually taught me the true nature of God – The Trinity-.

In Feb 2013 a friend of mine, Brian Marrian entered into another debate against another Muslim scholar, Yusuf Buxson. The theme of discussion was: "Trinity or Taweed". (Trinity or One-ness) I was again dumbfounded that Y. Buxson used the exact same "evidence" as did Y. Ismail. Oh, Y. Buxson added a few other untruths to impress the audience; therefore I entered it into this document for our investigation too!

These were the arguments made by these two Muslim scholars:

(Enjoy it)

Pagan origins of the Trinity!

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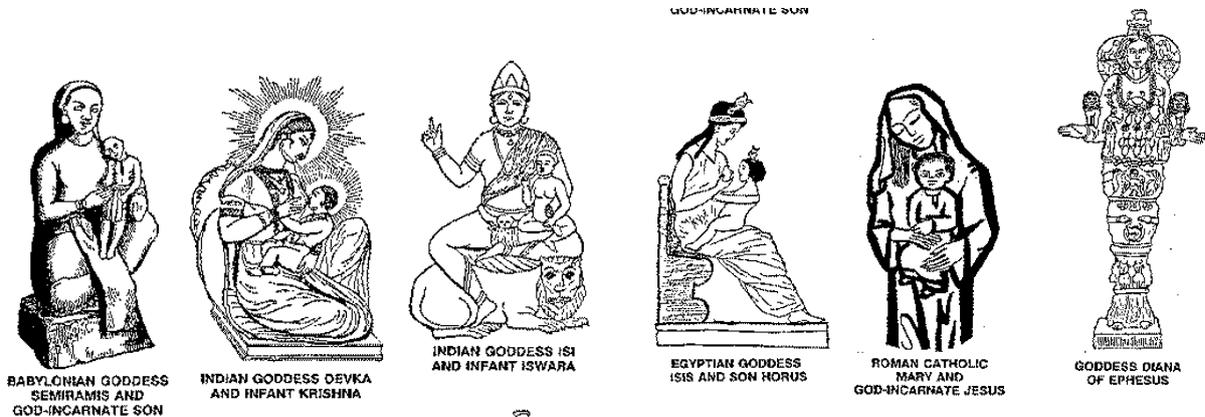
Yusuf Ismail



Yusuf Buxson

Yusuf Ismail entertained the audience with great amusement when he provided evidence to the “pagan origins” of the Trinity, with the use of the following pictures.

1. He asked why when the Jesuit priests first did missionary work in India, Tibet and China; they were amazed to find the exact worship of the Madonna and child as we see in the Roman Catholic Church! Why this pagan origins of the Mother – child, and why does it correlate to the Jesus and Mary we find in the New Testament about an **immaculate conception** recorded in mythology, **thousands of years before the existence of the New Testament?**



Madonna and Child worship in Pagan countries.

Well, the information Yusuf supplied in that presentation was something I found most disturbing indeed. I did not know about the “pagan origins” of the Trinity, and quite frankly, I never bothered to question the Trinity before! There was just one thing that bothered me about the whole attack Yusuf Ismail made and that was the fact that he did not supply anyone with references to his information. That is however a characteristic I found Muslim scholars never display. They will present any accusation on the assumption that we should regard their statements as the solemn truth!

About a year later I stumbled upon the source he used to construct his argument against the Christian Trinity. I was flabbergasted once I read his resources for myself. Every statement he made originated from the publication of Reverend Alexander Hislop in his book “The Two Babylons, or the papal worship proved to be the worship of **Nimrod and his wife**”. Please note, this book was first printed in 1858 and contains everything used by the Muslim scholar to prove the Trinity originated from paganism. The very same pictures he used showing the pagan “**mother and child**” statues originated from the woodcarvings of the book, “The Two Babylons”

What Yusuf Ismail selectively chose not to tell us is the fact that **Alexander Hislop was a Christian and he believed in the Trinity as the “one true God”!** He praises the Trinity throughout his book and compiled his publication to teach and inform us on the “idolatry” practiced by the Roman Catholic Church with the

reverence they give to the Madonna and child. Alexander Hislop actually showed how far removed the pagan trinity is from the true Trinity as we would find in the Bible!²⁷

Muslim scholars destroyed Islam with their references from “The Two Babylons”!

Alexander Hislop actually collected all the evidence about pagan idolatry he found from archaeology and showed the Atheist’s erroneous assumptions in comparing “this pagan trinity” to the “Biblical Trinity” which Hislop so strongly defended from the Scripture! True, he did show that the Catholic Church had many pagan practices embedded in their rituals, but Hislop never said that the Trinity originated from Pagan worship!

How foolish, we now find the Muslim scholar making the exact mistake Alexander Hislop showed the atheist on their errors! They were shown they are incorrect in comparing say, Osiris, Isis and Horus with the Father, Holy Ghost and Jesus, yet like mischievous children they went back to pick up the very stick they will be disciplined with!

Foolish I say...only for loss of words. Yusuf Ismail read Alexander Hislop’s book and again conveniently practiced **selective amnesia** to protect his own religion. Yes, Alexander Hislop taught us that some pagan practices changed and survived in the Catholic Church, **but Hislop also spoke about the pagan origins of Islam as well!** Now, that is something Yusuf Ismail never mentioned. Why? Shameful indeed!

Paganism in Islam from their own sources of research!

Well, Yusuf Ismail deliberately attacked the Bible and the Trinity in an attempt to prove that it originated from paganism. He, however, kept silent on the pagan origins of Islam from the very sources He used! Just look at what Alexander Hislop wrote!

- Hislop shows that the **Hindoo god Brahm is the same as Allah**: Hislop remarks about this pagan phrase, “Here we find that Bram is just the same as ‘Er-Rahman, the all-merciful one’, a title supplied by the Turks (Muslims) to the Most High.”²⁸ What, can we now conclude that Allah is the Hindu god Brahm?
- Hislop also shows that the name of **Tammuz is Bacchus or Bacca**. “Bacchus means weeping as the women wept for Tamuz, so they did for Bacchus.”²⁹ Now, it is common knowledge that just outside of Jerusalem there was a valley of Bacchus (weeping) where Israel of old practiced their Tammuz idolatrous religion in defiance to Yahweh.³⁰ In the book written by **Ahmed pandor, “Mecca in the Bible”**, this Muslim scholar actually demands that this “valley of Bacca” should be called “MECCA”! He elaborated on the fact that Mecca is called Baccah in Arabic and gives hundreds of factual evidence to strengthen this name.
 - Good, if Mecca is Baccah, we now know where the religion of Tammuz was practiced! This will render Mecca and the Kaabah as a pagan temple where women wept, priests cut themselves, children were burned alive to Moloch, and the men and women practiced temple prostitution to Ashtoreth! Poor Muslim scholars, they thought they were attacking the Trinity yet they unraveled the mystery of the origins of the **Kabaah in Meccah as pagan!**
- Hislop discovered that the **Ramadan feast** in Islam correlates exactly to the **Feast of Tammuz (Bacchus)**!³¹ Why don’t we find the Muslim scholar speaking against their Ramadan festival due to its pagan origins? Yusuf Ismail even ventured so far as to accuse Jesus of mirroring Bacchus when

²⁷ page 287 – 289. The two Babylons or Papal worship

²⁸ Page 15

²⁹ Page 21 footnote

³⁰ Ezekiel 8:14 Women weeping for Tamuz. Psa 84:6 Who passing through the valley of Baca make it a well; the rain also filleth the pools.

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He changed water into wine. Good golly, the attack made against the Bible and Jesus is now monumental evidence that Islam was derived from paganism!

- Hislop shows that even the Muslim name “**Mufti**” that is applied to learned Muslims on the ‘Mysteries of the Quran’, came from the word describing the **keys of Janus and Cybelle!**³²
- To top this mysterious keys of that describe ‘Mufti’, there is also a “**stone with writing of the words of Brahm**” in pagan Hinduism as one find in Islam belief about the Quran that has a ‘grand interpreter of god’ (Mufti’s) and a tablet inscribed with the words of the Quran!³³ Did Muhammad copy into the Quran the idea about an **everlasting tablet in paradise** with the Quran written thereon, from paganism?³⁴
- Alexander Hislop also describes the fact that “**Allah Akbar**” originated from **Zoroastrism!**³⁵ Wow, every time Muslims shout this verbiage, he praises **Ahura Mazda!**
- And Hislop shows how the goddess **Lat, daughter of Allah** originated from the **Sun god Sol Invictus!** The Muslim scholar tried to tell me that Constantine accepted Jesus as a replacement for Sol Invictus, yet the female name **Al- Lat** was in existence hundreds of years before Muhammad!³⁶
- Now, to end off on the references from Alexander Hislop on a high note; he found that Herodotus (484 – 425 BC) refers about the Arabs who worshipped “**BACCHUS AND URANIA!**” Good gracious, it is true then! The **Kabah and Mecca** (Bacca) did not originate from Abraham as the Quran claims, but from the **pagan religion of Tammuz (Bacca)!**

Consider the following fact. If one reads from Acts 19:35³⁷, we learn that **the temple at Ephesians** contained a **meteorite** that fell from “Jupiter”. This meteorite was highly revered in the Diana / Ashtoreth religion. Considering that the **Diana cult worship** was the exact same as the lamenting religion practiced for **Bacchus, or Bacca**, we will now learn the truth about **Mecca and meteorites!** With the advent of Christianity, this meteorite disappeared from the Ephesian temple. The exact same religious reverence is given to another meteorite at the **Kabaah in Mecca!** Every Muslim is obliged to visit Bacca, or Mecca once in his lifetime. One of the things Muslims does once they circumvented the Kabaah, is to touch, or even **kiss this meteorite stone!** **Even Muhammad kissed that meteorite! Why?**



I know ...Muslims don’t agree that they are worshipping this meteorite. But, I still need to find a Muslim that can **explain the reason** on why they kiss a meteorite! Can we at least agree that Islam forgot that this practice derived from ancient pagan Tammuz or Bacchus worship?

Mother – Child - gods in paganism.

If you sit in an audience when a Muslim scholar flashes a picture of a “mother and divine child” found in ancient paganism on a big screen and says that Christianity derived the “Son of God” dogma from Egyptian, Assyrian, Babylonian, Indian, Greek and Roman mythology; chances are that this picture will remain in your memory and you will have doubts about the origins of Christianity’s claim that Jesus is God. The pictures provided by the Muslim scholars as evidence that Jesus originated from pagan origins, might be sensational to the normal person in an audience during a debate, but is it the truth? Was the historical Jesus simply a mirror of pagan mythology? Decide for yourself.

³² Page 208 Footnote

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³⁴ Quran 82: 22 speaks about the “well preserved Tablet.” Islamic scholars believe this to be a Quran preserved in Paradise in Allah’s presence, written on granite.

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³⁶ (Quran 53 18- 20)

³⁷ And when the town clerk had appeased the people, he said, Ye men of Ephesus, what man is there that knoweth not how that the city of the Ephesians is a worshipper of the great goddess Diana, and of the image which fell down from Jupiter?

Semiramis and God-incarnate son.



BABYLONIAN GODDESS SEMIRAMIS AND GOD-INCARNATE SON

Yusuf Ismail showed this picture to about 400 people and got away with a hoax that Jesus and Mary originated from Semiramis who originated from Assyria, and ended up in Greek mythology³⁸. The truth is she had no correlation to Mary.

If we enquire into mythology, we find that Semiramis was the daughter of the fish-goddess, Derketo, and a mortal man. Derketo abandoned her child at birth and drowned herself. Doves fed the child until a shepherd, Simmas, found and raised her. She eventually married Onnes or Menones, one of king Ninus' generals. Ninus saw her bravery during a battle, and he took her as his wife. Menones committed suicide. She and Ninus had a son named

Ninyas. After King Ninus conquered Asia, he was fatally wounded by an arrow. To command King Ninus's army,³⁹ Semiramis masqueraded his dead body around as if he was still alive and commanding leadership. Her son eventually murdered her.

Ctesias of Cnidus (c. 400 BC) wrote that Ninus was the son of Belus or Bel, a name that comes from the Biblical Ba'al, meaning "lord".

Alexander Hislop gives another description of events as it is found in historical records. The Queen of Heavens that the Israelites worshipped in defiance to YHWH during the time of the prophet Jeremiah, was Astarte, or Semiramis. (Jeremiah 44:15-19) Her aliases are known as Innana, Ishtar, Isis, Osiris, Isi, Iswara and Cybele.

She was said to be the wife of Nimrod and had a son, Tammuz, also called Damuzi. Nimrod was killed and Semiramis took her son Tammuz as her husband, demanding to everyone that he is a god. This Tammuz was later known in Greek mythology as Bacchus.

Conclusion on Semiramis and her god child.

We have a mother, whose husband died and she married her son. She descended from a fish-goddess and a mortal man, whilst her husband was the son of Baal. Where do we find any relation to Jesus, or the Trinity? Jesus' mother was a virgin, Semiramis had two husbands.

The whole history of Semiramis is wrapped in obscurity. Over the centuries since Assyrian times, through the Egyptian, Greek and Roman eras, her mythology changed many times to fit in with the religions of the ruling powers. The story of Semiramis who gave a miraculous birth to Tammuz, was finalized after the third century AD! Who copied who? Semiramis and the god child is simply this—a mythological legend, concocted 300 years after Jesus to reflect Christianity.

Why would Muslim scholars use such a poor accusation against Jesus knowing it is not the truth? I agree these false claims are the work of atheists who love to seek anything in their quest to discredit the claim of the existence of God. However, I am of opinion that any person using such blatant lies will first investigate their sources, before they use it as evidence in a public debate to deceive innocent people! Just for that reason do I hold the Muslim scholars accountable for gross dishonesty!

The Indian goddess Devaki and the infant Krishna.

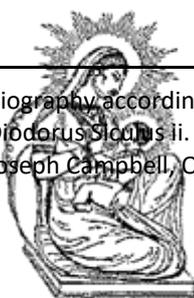
Yusuf Ismail also made the accusation that Jesus's narration originated from Krishna's origin. Again, this is also not true! Krishna's mother had seven children before he was born, so she was clearly not a virgin⁴⁰.

They were killed one by one by an evil king and Krishna eventually slayed him. Yusuf also copied blatant lies concocted by atheists when he said that Krishna was

³⁸ Biography according to Diodorus Siculus.

³⁹ Diodorus Siculus ii. 3

⁴⁰ Joseph Campbell, Occidental Mythology.



INDIAN GODDESS DEVKA AND INFANT KRISHNA

crucified, remained dead for three days and was resurrected. Those events are nowhere to be found in Hindu mythology.

The explanation of Krishna's death is stated clearly that he was shot in the foot by accident and ascended into heaven whilst his body was cremated and his wife also burned alive. Typical! Not only was Krishna not crucified; his story sounds much more familiar to the account of the death of Achilles in Greek mythology than the account of Jesus' crucifixion.

There are later Hindu texts that do draw more close parallels between Jesus Christ and Krishna. But these texts were written centuries after the New Testament. In fact, the **Bahagavad Gita**, one of the main Holy Books of Hinduism, was **drastically changed in 800 AD**. The present day Bahagavad Gita has 700 verses. The original, called Gita had 84 (imagine the documentaries and books that would be made if it were discovered that the Bible went through such a drastic re-write!).⁴¹

Conclusion on Devaki and Krishna.

There exists not a single hint in the historical evidence that Krishna somehow represented the nativity of Jesus. On the contrary, when the evidence delivers the facts that Hindu texts were altered to introduce "Christian theology" within the Krishna mythology 400 to 800 years after Christ, one can only wonder why Y. Ismail told an audience of 300 people that Jesus was a mere copy of Krishna? Is this not enough evidence to prove the hidden agenda by the Muslim scholar to defend their Quran by all means?

God child Iswara and his mother.

In the Indian religions there are various different mythologies and gods, but they all, or relatively all, believe in the Triad of:



- Brahma (note brahma is not the same as Brahman, the infinite consciousness),
- Vishnu
- and Maheshvara.

This is further fragmented in order to understand the process of creation.

- Brahma is in charge of creation. For creation, knowledge - the know-how of how to create - is required and therefore he is married to Sarasvati, the goddess of knowledge.
- Vishnu is in charge of maintenance, which is an expensive affair. He is married to the goddess of wealth, Lakshmi.
- Lord Shiva is in charge of dissolution which requires all the missile power and therefore he is married to Shakti or Parvati.

Brahman is an infinite being and does not create and therefore was **Ishvara** accountable. He is God or the lord, who is empowered to create. He is the possessor of magical powers, but not affected by magic. He is also omnipresent. He is in everything in the universe, dreams, visions, and was never born. Some Hindu schools identify him with Krishna, Brahma, or any of all the gods in existence.

Conclusion on Iswara and his mother.

⁴¹ In the book, *The Gita As It Was: Rediscovering the Original Bhagavadgita*, the author, Dr. Phulgenda Sinha, writes: Around 800 A.D., the original Gita was interpolated and ended up having 700 verses. The name was changed from Gita to Bhagavad Gita. The concept of one single Almighty God, or Supreme, Bhagavan, was introduced to Indian society. Till then, before 800 A.D., Indians believed in God. But they believed in polytheism. They were also nature worshippers. They worshipped earth, stone, trees, rain, wind, fire, sun, moon etc.

One might read hundreds of books on the Mythology on Indian religions without discovering any reference to a trinity or Jesus. Why would the Muslim scholar venture into such a blatant misconception? Here we have Brahman the upper God who made Ishwara to create the universe. Iswara had, as a sexless god, at least 6 other children. Brahma was married to Sarasvati, Visnu to Lakshmi, and Shiva to Parvati. I count at least eight gods. I also do not find a Jesus and Mother similarity here.

Iswara did not have a mother!

Does the Quran not say that Allah simply created Jesus?

If we were to dissect this mythological event, it brings into remembrance that Hislop discovered that the creed 'Er-Rahman, the all-merciful one', a title supplied by the Turks (Muslims) to the Most High", originated from Brahman.

The Egyptian Isis and the divine child Horus.



EGYPTIAN GODDESS
ISIS AND SON HORUS

Yusuf ismail also showed the picture of Isis and her divine child Horus and claimed this as further evidence to the pagan origins of Jesus' divinity. What Yusuf simply chose not to tell the audience was that the Egyptian mythology can never show any resemblance to Jesus and Mary. We will at a later stage elaborate more on the Egyptian Triad of Isis, Osiris and Horus, but for now it will suffice to know that Horus was not born of a virgin, or by divine act. Isis was married to Osiris and he was murdered by his brother. Isis managed to get herself pregnant when she forced the corps into intercourse.

Conclusion on Isis and Horus connection to Jesus and Mary

Isis and Osiris were brother and sister gods. Their god - parents were Geb and Nut. They were all part of nine other gods. How can any intellectual and educated person even try to compare Jesus with Horus? This is again a situation where atheists concocted some really devious piece of deception against the existence of God, and a Muslim scholar decided to use it to blaspheme Jesus.

Diana of Ephesus.

Yusuf Ismail ended off his comparison of the divine child Jesus with the picture of Diana of Ephesus. What he tried to demonstrate was that Diana was revered as a goddess just as "Christians worship Mary". Well,



GODDESS DIANA
OF EPHEBUS

this cannot be further removed from the truth. Muslims have this idea that Christians believe that Mary is a goddess and she is part of the Trinity. They somehow think that Christians say that God, in this case Allah, had a wife, Mary and they had intercourse with the result that Jesus was born as the "only begotten Son of God". Yusuf threw this picture into his big boiling pot of pagan worship and hoped that the audience might leave for home with this false propaganda in their mind.

The truth is, Diana was none other than Ashtoreth, Innana, Ishtar, Isis, Osiris, Isi, Iswara and Cybele. She was the Queen of heaven mentioned in Jeremiah 44: 17- 19, 25 and Jeremiah 7: 18. We find this idolatry was practiced by the Israelites in defiance to Jehovah, and that was why God removed Israel into captivity! In Acts 19: 35 we read that the people of Ephesus worshiped this queen of heaven, and history showed it was the Diana cult where a meteorite was venerated as a gift sent by Jupiter to Diana! Her child was none other than Bacchus. Well, Yusuf actually destroyed the possibility that I would ever embrace Islam due to the evidence he supplied that Mecca, or Bacca derived from Bacchus worship. Consider the fact that we also established that the meteorite veneration at Mecca are the exact mirror of the one practiced at Ephesus!

Conclusion on Diana cult worship compared to Mary.

The very notion that Mary somehow originated from the ancient Goddess worship of Diana, or Ashtoreth for that matter, is one of incredible imaginary indeed. Just imagine when Paul and the other apostles arrived at Ephesus and they noticed the Diana cult worship. Not one of them identified her with Mary!

Furthermore, Yusuf ismail again threw stones at Jesus without realizing that his own religion was constructed of the finest man made crystal. I simply loved it when his own references in attacking the Bible turned out to be evidence that Mecca had pagan origins, and meteorite worship at the Kabaa is explained by the Diana cult worship! No Muslim has any other explanation for kissing this stone at the most holy place of worship in the Islamic world. Remember, even Muhammad kissed that meteorite! Why?



How the Muslim attempts to discredit the Christian Trinity by accusing its origins from pagan religions.

Yusuf ismail showed the following pictures to those unsuspecting people who listened to his presentation. What he achieved was to show to everyone that the Trinity originated from pagan religions thousands of years before Jesus was born.

Yusuf ventured into accusing Christianity of copying the trinity from the

- Egyptian trinity, Horus, Osiris and Isis;
- and even Rameses II, Amon, and Ra.
- He followed it up with the Mesopotamian trinity of Ishar, Sin and Shamasas well as with the
- Indian trinity of Brahma, Visnu and Shiva.
- Yusuf Ismail even produced a picture of an archaeological discovery depicting Bacchus on a cross. That bit of evidence was probably the most damaging to the very notion that Jesus was crucified. The implication was that Christians simply took the Bacchus crucifixion and applied it to Jesus.

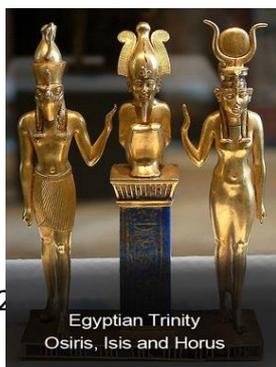


Now, everyone in the audience was astounded at the facts he delivered to show the pagan origins of Jesus, his crucifixion and the origins of the Trinity.

In March 2013, another Muslim scholar, Yusuf Buxson, also ventured into showing the following pictures to an unsuspecting audience in a debate he held with Brian Marrian at Lenasia, South Africa. He took these pictures from the internet without verifying the authenticity thereof. You are welcome to visit the following site hosted by the Unitarians (Non-believers in the divinity of Christ) . I am of opinion that Yusuf Buxson obtained his information there.

<http://disappointed-and-disillusioned.xanga.com/751728158/item/>

The Egyptian Trinity - Isis, Osiris and Horus.



Yusuf Buxson followed the exact same method in attacking the Trinity, as did Yusuf Ismail, by attempting to imply that Isis, Osiris and Horus was a Trinity that existed thousands of years before Jesus and that Christians simply copied this pagan description and applied it to God! One thing is for sure; history never teaches this as fact, but this accusation is found only in the books written by Atheists and

Egyptian Trinity
Osiris, Isis and Horus

religions such as the Jehovah Witnesses, Arians, and those hating the idea that Jesus is God. But why don't we go and find out for ourselves?

The Egyptian Mythology existed for more than 3 000 years and was continuously adapted to serve the Pharaoh's and priests in running the country. The best description on the Egyptian gods comes from the Egyptian book of the dead.

Isis was the goddess of heaven, earth, sea and the underworld. She had a husband Osiris and child Horus. In the mythological story, Osiris was killed by his brother and his body divided up into 14 pieces Isis then recovered every piece and resurrected Osiris long enough to have him making her pregnant with Horus. Osiris died and became the ruler of the underworld. End of myth!⁴²

We are now faced with interpretations where the writers of anti-Trinitarian beliefs actually claim that Osiris was resurrected to life such as the resurrection of Jesus. Some even claim that his body was resurrected from the Nile indicating the baptism and resurrection of Christ! What the criticizer never tells you about the Egyptian deities is that there were more than 200 main gods! There were groups of gods such as the following:^{43 44}

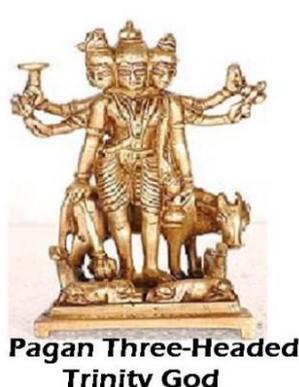
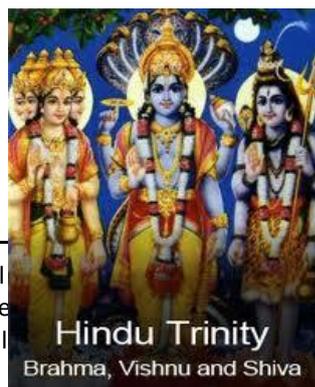
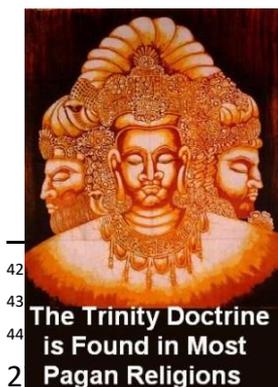
- The Ennead of Heliopolis, meaning the nine – consisted of Ra/Atum, Shu and Tefnut, Geb and Nut, **Osiris** and **Isis**, Nephthys and Set, and the child **Horus** was also god, but not counted in the Ennead.
- The Ogdoad of Hermopolis, eight deities who were worshipped in four female-male pairs; the females were associated with snakes and the males with frogs: Naunet and Nu, Amaunet and Amun, Kauket and Kuk, Hauhet and Huh

And guess what the attackers of the Trinity did? They went and searched for any "Triad" that might sound similar to the Biblical Trinity. If I were to act in such a way, everyone will know I am a deceiver! Why do the Atheists think they can get away with such a methodology?

Anyhow, if one reads the myth of Osiris, Isis and Horus for oneself, the attempt to correlate the Egyptian triad with the Trinity is laughable to say the least. Later in another chapter of this book a concise replication of the Egyptian mythology will prove exactly how the atheist misuses this history to further their hatred against the Bible.

The pagan Triad of Brahma, Visnu, and Siva.

Yusuf Ismail and Buxson made a few terrible mistakes in supplying the following pictures to their unsuspected and deceived audience when they compared the Christian Trinity with the Indian mythology and religions. They do not even know that the picture depicting the three headed god was called the "Trimurti" and are the exact same gods as the other two pictures. So, what they actually showed to the audience was three pictures of one and the same instance of a triad of gods from India. This is also clear proof that the Muslim scholar sort of exaggerated the minuscule evidence they possess and decided to use one fact three times! The fact that Yusuf Ismail and Yusuf Buxson claimed that this "Indian Trinity" existed "thousands of years before Jesus", is the definitive fact that will show that they were not telling the truth at all. Just look at the facts about Brahma, Visnu and Shiva.



The true facts of the Brahma, Visnu, and Siva Trinity.

To even claim the triad of Brahma, Visnu and Shiva as similar to the Christian Trinity is not only farfetched, but also evidence of mischievous deception! This “triad”, or as it is known, the “**Trimurti**”, date from the Puranic period (c. CE 300-1200), was only concocted from many different sects in India for the first time at **about 400 AD!** How can anyone even say that the Trimurti predated Christianity by thousands of years? That is a lie! At best the Trimurti was concocted 400 years after Jesus.

Brahman, Brahma, Manu, Saraswati, Visnu.

Anyhow, lets look at the three gods as the Muslim scholar liked to compare them with the Trinity.

Brahmā is not to be confused with the Supreme Cosmic Spirit in Hindu Vedānta philosophy known as **Brahman**, which is genderless.

- So, we have **Brahman**, the great god.
- He had many demi gods and one of them was a male god **Brahma**.
- **Brahman** placed his seed in the primordial waters, and **Brahmā** was born in the lotus flower that developed into a golden egg that eventually turned into the Universe.
- This lotus flower came out of **Visnu's** navel whilst they rested on the serpent Ananta Shesha.
- **Brahmā** was is the father of **Manu**, and from Manu all human beings are descended.
- Brahmā's daughter and wife is **Saraswati**. (the goddess of knowledge)
- **Vishnu's** wife is **Lakshmi** (goddess of wealth),
- **Shiva's** wife was **Shakti or Parvati**.

Hey, I count eight gods!

Remember, as we established in a previous occasion, the Bahagavad Gita was drastically changed in 800 AD. The present day Bahagavad Gita has 700 verses. The original, called Gita had 84!⁴⁵

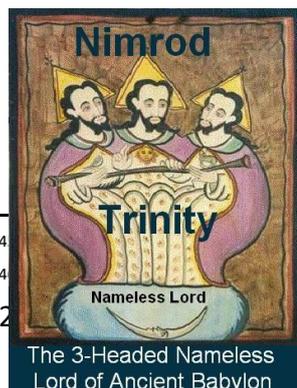
How can anyone even conceive the thought that this Hindu Triad are the same as the Christian Trinity? Surely Usuf Ismail and Yusuf Buxson should have known that the Christian Trinity predated this “Trimurti” and the Bahagavad Gita by at least 400 years! Why would they willfully conceive such a baseless accusation against the Bible?

It should be noted that every Atheist and non Trinitarian uses the name “Trinity” where every notable publisher used the word “Trimurti” or “Triad”! Therefore, it is safe to conclude that the mentioned Muslim scholars did not tell the truth!

The pagan trinity of Ancient Babylon.

Mr Yusuf Buxson showed the following picture and hoped everyone will believe his claim that there existed

a Trinity in ancient Babylon as well. But guess what, the picture he supplied was one used by Ralph Woodrow in his book, Babylon Mystery Religion (Ralph Woodrow Evangelistic Assn., 1966).⁴⁶ Buxson definitely did not know that Ralph Woodrow is a Christian and promotes the Trinity in all his publications and on his website. Now, why would a Trinitarian Christian use a picture of a pagan



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Babylonian Trinity to promote the Christian trinity? It just does not make sense at all! Well, simply because he wrote his book as an answer to Alexander Hislop's publication, "Two Babylons" to clarify many allegations made by Hislop that was not correct. Considering the picture Buxson displayed, the only place you will find it is on the following website.

<http://watchingthenews.xanga.com/678837926/item/>

Now, Try as you may, you will not find out who the religious denomination is that's promoting this website. One might only have a suspicion that the religious owner could be the Jehovah witnesses and Tract society or some secretive Arian or Unitarian group. Why all the secrecy? Anyhow, why would any Muslim scholar use a picture as evidence that the Trinity is false, if he could not even supply his source of reference?

Yusuf Ismail accused the Christians of concocting the Trinity from Nimrod, Ashtoreth and Tammuz and upon further investigation we will learn that he really do not know the slightest about the Mesopotamian gods. Even Yusuf Buxsons' attempt to synchronise the Trinity with "the 3 – headed nameless Lord of Ancient Babylon is totally preposterous. Listen to the name; "3 Headed **Nameless** Lord of ancient Babylon! Nameless, unknown, or non-existent, that is the question our Muslim brothers should answer!

The truth about Nimrod, Ashtoreth and Tammuz.

I decided to at least try to see if there are some Babylonian or Assyrian triad that Yusuf Buxson and Yusuf ismail used in their attacks. Yusuf Ismail did refer to Nimrod, Ashtoreth and Tammuz. Guess what, this triad of gods does not exist at all. Alexander Hislop claimed in his book that Nimrod was a big, ugly, deformed black man and his wife, Semiramis, was white woman. He said that Noah's son Shem killed Nimrod and Semiramis was killed when her son beheaded her.

However, I could not find any such evidence and realised that Hislop must have made a mistake. When I came upon Ralph Woodrow's book, 'Babylon Mystery Religion',⁴⁷ I realised that our dear Muslim scholars used Hislop's book without investigating their claim that the Trinity came from Babylon. Poor Muslims, when will they stop making these mistakes?

Ralph Woodrow writes, "I realized that no recognized history book substantiated these and many other claims. The subtitle for Hislop's book is "The Papal Worship Proved to Be the Worship of Nimrod and His Wife." Yet when I went to refer-ence works such as the Encyclopedia Britannica, The Americana, The Jewish Encyclopedia, The Catholic Encyclopedia, The Worldbook Encyclopedia – carefully reading their articles on "Nimrod" and "Semiramis" – not one said anything about Nimrod and Semiramis being husband and wife. They did not even live in the same century. Nor is there any basis for Semiramis being the mother of Tammuz. I realized these ideas were all Hislop's inventions."⁴⁸

Hislop also claimed that Semiramis was the wife of Nimrod and was the same as Aphrodite, Artemis, Astarte, Aurora, Bellona, Ceres, Diana, Easter, Irene, Iris, Juno, Mylitta, Proserpine, Rhea, Venus, and Vesta. Now, where is the Christian Trinity in this "ancient Pagan religion" now? Poor Muslim scholars, they copied a mistaken identity of the pagan triad, and believed it to be true! Think about this fatal sanction the Muslim scholars used; they lied to unsuspecting people!

The pagan Triad of Sin, Shamash and Ishtar

Again, here we find the Muslim scholar grabbing any straws to defame the Biblical Trinity with the use of "Babylonian triads". Shamash was a native Mesopotamian deity and the sun god in the Acadian, Assyrian and Babylonian pantheons. However,

row.org/books/pages/babylon-mystery.html

articles/the-two-babylons/



we should note that Shamash was the "offspring of Nannar"; **the moon-god! Where is the Trinity now? I count 4!** (Sin, Shamash, Ishtar and Nannar!)

The three powers **Sin, Shamash** and **Ishtar** symbolized three great forces of nature: the moon, the sun, and the life-giving force of the earth, respectively. **Shamas** had a few consorts that the Muslim scholar also never mentioned such as **Bunene**, his chariot driver and whose consort is **Atgi-makh, Kettu** ("justice") and **Mesharu** ("right"). Then there was **Ninurta**, the sun-god of the morning and **Nergal**, the sun-god of noon! Yusuf Ismail also never mentioned that together with **Nannar-Sin** and **Ishtar, Shamash**, there was another triad, **Anu, Enlil** and **Ea**. They all ruled together. These Triads were part of hundreds of more gods!⁴⁹ **Where is the Trinity now? I count 13!**

Why would anyone even attempt to show that the Trinity originated from Assyria and Babylon? They might get away for a short while when making this accusation, but once we compare the facts, they will have to



agree that it needs an extensive stretch of imagination to arrive at such a conclusion. In the above Mesopotamian limestone cylinder seal and impression, we find the signs of **Shamash looking peculiarly familiar**. It is the sign of the **Moon crescent!** Is this not also a remnant of the pagan origins of Islam?

Jesus was a mirror of Mithras, Bacchus, Horus, and Dionysius

Good, we established that the Muslim scholars erroneously accused "mother – and – divine - child worship", as evidence that Mary and Jesus originated from pagan origins. As we saw, they were in total error in even thinking that the Christian Trinity included Mary, or a god - wife. We also established that none of their examples proved a Virgin birth ever occurred before the birth of Jesus. What are even more amazing is that all the accusations made by the Muslim scholars that the Christian Trinity of the Father, the Holy Ghost and Jesus Christ, never existed in any pagan religion. They might have had a "father, wife and child", but such a description clearly cannot be compared with the Christian Trinity. The Muslim scholars again showed their ignorance about the Trinity as they learned about a husband, wife and child - family – god from their Quran. To prove the point made by Muslims as a great hoax, none of these "trinities" was actually three gods. In all the examples they quoted, they amounted to tens, hundreds and even thousands of gods. Oh, and let us not forget, many of these religions copied the Christian religion hundreds of years after Jesus's birth and not before. One will have to be either stupid to believe the above attacks, or merely uninformed, as I was before I went to find out for myself.

Yet, we are not finished in this search to the truth. Our learned Muslim scholars, Yusuf Ismail and Yusuf Buxson made a few more attempts to discredit the Bible and God.

Mithras, evidence of Muslim propaganda.

Mr. Yusuf Ismail said that Mithras was:

- born of a virgin,
- on December 25,
- surrounded by shepherds,

⁴⁹ Gods, Demons, and Symbols of Ancient Mesopotamia: An Illustrated Dictionary by Jeremy Black and Anthony Green (1992, ISBN 0-292-70794-0), p. 168.

- had 12 disciples,
- was crucified,
- was dead for three days,
- was resurrected three days later.

Golly, when he said that everyone was in awe, including me! Why did I never hear of these things, I asked myself, and how will I ever give a rebuttal about these things he spoke?

See what I meant when I said I lost the debate because I never knew about these facts produced by the Muslim scholar? Now, what do you say, would you have known that everything said was a blatant and brilliant piece of deception? I did not know that Yusuf lied in front of 400 people, and they neither!

Facts about Mithras never mentioned by the Muslim scholar.⁵⁰

Everything we know about Mithras dates way after the third century AD. **Mithras'** birth is shown in reliefs and pictures as he rises upright from a rock, not as a baby but in the prime of youth, with extended arms holding torch and sword. He has no father. His mother was the rock itself, identified as Petra Genetrix ("the rock that gives birth. The scene as represented shows at the mouth of a cave, Mithras straddles the bull, plunging a dagger into its heart. A dog and a snake licks up at the blood flowing from the wound. A scorpion fastens on the bull's genitals, and a raven perches on the god's billowing mantle. Miraculously, the tail of the dying bull has metamorphosed into an ear of wheat. On either side of the scene the twin gods **Cautes** and **Cautopates** are posed, the former holding a raised torch, the latter a lowered torch. Above and to the left is the **Sun god**, above and to the right the **Moon goddess**.^{51 52}

"Mithras was born of a virgin"

Now, where did Yusuf Ismail get that idea? There are almost no early writings about the cult of Mithras and most of what is known is based on artwork (as opposed to Jesus Christ, of whom thousands of ancient manuscripts exist that describe His life, death and resurrection in detail). But according to historians, Mithras was born from a rock, not from a virgin or from a person at all.

"Mithras was born on December 25."

Once again, the date of December 25th is not mentioned in the Bible and thus holds no significance to the story of Jesus Christ. Additionally, in Mithraism there is no date of Mithras' birth. This is evidence of blatant deception.

"Mithras was attended to by Shepherds"

The earliest existing account of Mithras' birth is found in a relief depicting him emerging from a rock with the assistance of men who certainly appear to be shepherds (which is interesting considering his birth was supposed to have preceded the creation of humans!). Such a blatant inconsistency should show a serious flaw in Mithraism research. Furthermore, the relief attesting to the above dates to the 4th century A.D., well after the Gospels had been written and distributed over most of the known world.

"Mithra had 12 disciples."

This is based on a carving which shows Mithras surrounded by 12 signs of the Zodiac. There is no reason to conclude that signs of the Zodiac are "disciples." Remember, there is no written record of Mithra's

⁵⁰ <http://www.iranicaonline.org/articles/mithraism>

⁵¹ <http://www.iranicaonline.org/articles/mithraism>

⁵² The fundamental illustrated catalogue of Mithraic monuments is Vermaseren 1956-60. Merkelback 1984 and Claus 2000 are also exceptionally well illustrated. On the iconography of Mithras, see Vollkommer 1992. On the myth of Mithras as inferred from the iconography, see Cumont 1903: pp. 104-49; Vermaseren 1960: pp. 56-88; Claus 2000: pp. 62-101.

existence from the 1st to 4th centuries when the cult thrived. The earliest writings are from outsiders recording their observations.

“Mithras was crucified. Dead for three days. And then resurrected.”

This charge in particular reveals the insincerity of the claims of plagiarism against Christianity. In Mithraism, **Mithras never dies**. He completed his earthly mission and returned to the skies in a chariot (ironically similar to the story of the Prophet Elijah in the Bible’s Book of 1 Kings, written 800 years earlier). In Mithraism there is no historical mention of crucifixion, burial or resurrection in any artwork or text. OK, so who was the person that told all these lies?

Dionysus (also known as Bacchus)



Dionysus (also known as Bacchus) was a Greek and Roman god of wine. One of the boldest claims of Jesus being a copy of Dionysus originates from a book called ‘The Jesus Mysteries’ which featured the amulet pictured (attached) on its cover. The authors claimed that the amulet was a depiction of the god Dionysus on a cross, and thus, they concluded, Christianity must have copied the crucifixion account from the Greek god. However, upon basic scrutiny, their claim falls apart.

Guess what is the age of this amulet?

350 AD!

Now, for the love of it, how can Jesus’ crucifixion be derived from some depiction dating 300 years after he was crucified? Surely any intelligent person can grasp that the Dionysus cult worship imitated Christianity!

Justin Martyr was a second century writer who therefore predates all the pictures of pagan god men being crucified and he writes:

“But in no instance, not even in any of those called sons of Jupiter, did they imitate the being crucified; for it was not understood by them, all the things said of it having been put symbolically.” Justin Martyr ’s First Apology LV.

Bacchus (or Dionysus) the god of lamentation, evidence of Muslim propaganda.

The Roman mythology is much the same as the Greek account. There are hundreds of Greek gods but, we need to know about the god called Bacchus. The Greek equivalent is Dionysus and we find the exact god in Assyrian mythology called Tammuz. The connection between Tammuz, Dionysus and Bacchus is very important and the reader should keep this fact in mind as we search for the origins of God in these myths.

Bacchus (Roman), or **Dionysus** was the Greek god of wine, of ritual madness and ecstasy in Greek mythology. He was the youngest of the **12 Olympian gods** and son of **Zeus** by **Semele**, his mortal mother. Zeus already had a wife, the goddess **Hera**. Hera, in her jealousy tricked Semele by her demanding that Zeus should appear to her in his full glory. This was however detrimental for nobody lives with the sight of Zeus in his might. Semele simply burned away in Zeus’ sight. Zeus saved the foetus of Dionysus when he sewed him in his thigh. Dionysus was born a few months later and was called the one with two mothers, Zeus and Semele.

In another account, Dionysus was the child of Zeus and **Persephone**, the queen of the Greek underworld. Hera again attempted to get rid of the child and sent the **Titans** to kill him. They killed Dionysus and ate everything save his heart. Zeus sewed the heart into his thigh and Dionysus was again born the second time. Zeus gave him to a mortal king and queen and he grew up in the winemaking trade. Hera later on struck him with madness. Dionysus travelled the world and taught people wine drinking and to practice ritual madness.

The cult of Bacchus, Tammuz, or Dionysus was held with ritual drinking, sexual orgies, cutting oneself in remembrance of how the Titans dissected Dionysus, lamentation for the killed god, and joyful celebration for his rebirth as the god of the underworld.

I have yet to see how Bacchus can be compared with Jesus. Yusuf Ismail actually equated Jesus and Bacchus in recalling the miracle Jesus performed in changing water into wine! I urge the reader to remember this attempt to prove Jesus' origins from pagan Greek mythology. The Muslim scholar did not know what a nest of wasps they opened against the origins of Islam, the day they threw the garbage of Greek mythology against Jesus!

There is no association between Jesus and Bacchus. Even if Yusuf Ismail tries to use the miracle performed by Jesus when he changed water into wine, one will not find any miracle performed in similar fashion by Bacchus. However, Yusuf Ismail never knew that his "Bacchus attack" against Jesus would actually return to devastate his own religion.

As mentioned previously, Mecca had a more ancient name. It was called Baccah! Herodotus also mentioned that the ancient Arabians worshipped Bacchus! If we take into consideration that the learned Muslim scholar, Ahmad Pandor also admitted in his book that Mecca equals Bacca, we can now understand that Mecca had pagan origins indeed. Bacchus and Diana was worshipped throughout Greece and the Roman world and as we mentioned at Ephesus, the Diana cult was at its strongest with the largest temple dedicated to Diana. Oh, and do not forget that they had a meteorite that was worshipped as the "Mother of heaven sent by Jupiter"! It disappeared at about 400 AD, only to have a similar veneration emerging at Mecca in 600 AD! Now, why this coincidence of Bacchus, Diana and Mecca?

Facts about Horus.

Yusuf Ismail mentioned that Christianity also copied Horus into creating the Christian God! Well, why don't we look at the assumptions he made?

"Horus was born on December 25th" ⁵³

According to Egyptian mythological history, Horus's birthday is celebrated in the season of Khoiak, which runs in the months of October and November, **not December 25th**. Furthermore, the date of December 25th is never mentioned in the Bible as the date of Jesus' birth and thus has no relevance to the account of Jesus' life. So right away, the claims of "plagiarism" look completely baseless.

"Horus was born of a virgin"

There are two accounts of Horus' birth. The most famous by far, was that Horus was born from his mother Isis, who was not a virgin, but rather a widow of the slain Osiris. Through sorcery, Isis, assembled the body of Osiris and was impregnated with his phallus. Clearly this was a sexual union and not a virgin birth.

"Horus had 12 Disciples"

Historian Glen Miller writes: "But again, my research in the academic literature does not surface this fact. I can find references to FOUR "disciples"—variously called the semi-divine HERU-SHEMSU ("Followers of Horus"). I can find references to SIXTEEN human followers. And I can find reference to an UNNUMBERED group of followers called mesniu/mesnitu ("blacksmiths") who accompanied Horus in some of his battles, but I cannot find TWELVE anywhere..."

⁵³ <http://beginningandend.com/jesus-copy-horus-mithras-dionysis-pagan-gods/>

Additionally, some of have said the 12 signs of the zodiac are the “disciples” of Horus. Even if this were the case, they are just stars and not actual people who followed Horus, preached about him or recorded his life. This is another empty and false claim.

“Horus was crucified. Dead for three days. And Resurrected”

There is no historical record in any credible Egyptian mythology of Horus being crucified. Additionally, crucifixion was a method of execution invented by the Roman Empire thousands of years after the time of the Horus myth. However, the accounts of Jesus’ crucifixion exist in thousands of manuscripts from the century after his death. There are many secular historical sources that record His crucifixion as described in the Bible.

Conclusion on Horus and Jesus.

Just as with Bacchus, Dionysus, Mithras and all the other mythological accusations made by our Muslim scholars against the Bible and God, the above also holds no water at all. On the contrary, there exist more evidence that Islam derived many religious practices from Pagan origins than what ever could be discovered against Christianity.

All of the above proved to me that the Trinity never originated from Assyria, India, Babylon, Egypt, or any other religion, but from the Bible itself. This is why we will now conclude with the pagan origins, and move on to the historical origins of the Trinity.

Chapter 2. Mythology of ancient religions

It is necessarily to read and understand the mythology of Egypt, Greece and Rome to see just how deliberately the epoch of these pagan religions are contorted, turned, and stretched in order to adapt to the propagandistic deception by the atheist and Muslim scholar in their attack against the Bible and Jesus Christ. The following is a very concise description to allow a very fast insight to what the ancients believed as the explanation of everything in our Universe.

Greek Mythology

From the ancient writings of Greek poets and historians, we know a lot about the Gods of Greece. There might be a few variances between different writers, but the main theme on how and what the Greek gods lived, is a fascinating story.

At first there existed only **Oceanus**. He was the great river that encircled the entire world. He gave life to the **sea, rivers** and **springs** from his rushing floods. His wife was **Tithys** and from their union sprang **3 000 nymphs** (Oceanids, female) and **3 000 rivers**. (brothers of the Oceanids) These **Oceanids** had to preserve youth and had to bring up the god children. The Oceanids (salt water nymphs) could not mix with their brothers, the freshwater rivers. **Oceanus** and **Tithys** were eventually also the parents of the Greek gods.

Another version tells us that **Chaos** was the first god in existence followed by **Ge**. She was the couch on Olympus where the gods later lived. Thereafter **Eros** came in existence. **Chaos** gave birth to **Erebus** and **Night** who in turn generated **Air** and **Sky**. Ge gave birth to the **Night sky (Uranus)**, **Mountains** and **Sea**. Ge later on joined Sky (Uranus) and they brought forth the **Titans**, the **Cyclopes**, and the ‘**Hundred handed ones**’.

Uranus hated his children and he imprisoned the Titans to the bowels of the earth. Ge summoned her children to help and one of them was **Cronus** who castrated his father Uranus. He threw the severed genitals into the sea and from the blood and foam of the sea, Aphrodite appeared. From the drops of blood that fell on the earth were born three ‘**Erinyes**’ (fates), the **Melian Nymphs**, and the **Giants**.

Cronus now enjoyed full control after castrating Uranus and freeing his brothers. He married **Rhea** (the Titaness) and their children were **Demeter, Hestia, Hera, Hades, and Poseidon**. Cronus was afraid that his children would dethrone him and he swallowed them, one by one at birth. Rhea made a plan and concealed her last child, **Zeus** and fed Cronus a stone wrapped in swaddling-clothes.

Zeus grew up and fought his father and was victorious. He used a potion to force Cronus to disgorge all Zeus' brothers and sisters along with the stone. Zeus took the stone to Delphi where it was kept as an eternal symbol of his supremacy.

Cronus' children waged a war against him and they chose Zeus as their leader whilst Cronus took as allies the majority of the Titans, his own brothers. This gave rise to the famous myth of the battle of the Titans. A few Titans however took the side of the Olympic gods. They were Oceanus, his daughter **Styx** and her children **Kratos** (Power), **Bia** (Violence), **Zelus** (Zeal), **Nike** (Victory), and **Prometheus** (Son of Lapetus the Titan). Ge, also joined in the battle against the Titans after she released the Cyclops and 'Hundred Handed Ones'.

Anyhow, the Gods won the battle and brought their new concepts to the world.

Ge then urged the Giants to attack the gods by surprise and the famous battle of the Giants ensued. The gods eventually won the war when they remembered that a prophecy dictated that the gods should enlist the help of a mortal. Well, He was Heracles. With the Giants wiped out, the gods were now the masters of the Universe.

The gods decided to create creatures on the earth and ordered **Epimethius** and **Prometheus** to this task. Mistakes were made and Prometheus eventually had to steal a little bit of abilities from each of the gods to endow man with his different qualities and gave mankind the knowledge to make fire. Zeus found out about this and staked Prometheus onto the Caucasus Mountains where an eagle ate his liver during daytime and it grew back during night for 30 years. Heracles eventually saved Prometheus when he shot the eagle. Zeus ordered the creation of one of the most beautiful females and sent her amongst the humans as punishment for their accepting the gift of fire. She was Pandora and mankind who never knew pain, sickness or death, was now doomed to everlasting unhappiness.

Mankind now turned evil and Zeus decided to kill everyone on earth. Prometheus warned his son **Deucalion** and his wife **Pyrrha** and they build an ark and survived the flood Zeus sent over the earth. With the flood over, these two humans asked to have more people created again. After offering to Zeus, they were told to throw stones over their shoulders without looking back. Deucalion's stones turned into men and Pyrrha's into women.

With the above, we are now living at the time where the Greek gods reign in supreme unity on mount Olympus.

Egyptian Mythology

In the Egyptian mythology there are many "Triads". Why Yusuf Ismail and Yusuf Buxson chose the Osiris, Isis and Horus Triad is not clear. I presume that they needed to emphasize the God, Mother and Child symbolism. However, if we investigate the mythological story, one can easily realize that any attempt to connect the Trinity with this triad, should be discarded without any strain on one's conscience.

Nun, Amun and Mut.

The Egyptian mythology starts with the great god **Nun**. He was the primordial ocean that needed to exist over everything. Out of Nun came forth the "Hidden one" **Amun** (male) and his consort, **Mut**. (male) and

Khonsu (male moon god). Here we have three additional male gods, why didn't our learned Muslim scholars use them?

Amun, Shu, Tefnut, Hathor, Ma'at, and Thoth.

Atum or **Amun** or Amun-Ra (later), was the self-begotten god before anything, sat on a mound that rose from the waters of the universe and spat on the dry land. Out of his spit rose **Shu** (male god of air) and **Tefnut** (female goddess of moisture) as well as **Hathor, Ma'at,** and **Thoth**.

Geb and Nut.

Shu and Tefnut procreated and they had children gods; **Geb** (male earth god) and **Nut** (female goddess of the night sky). Now these two gods continuously had sex and Shu eventually had to separate the earth and night sky.

Osiris, Set, Isis, and Nephtys.

Geb and Nut's children were the two brothers, **Osiris** and **Set**, and two sisters, **Isis** and **Nephtys**. (they also had **Neith** in another myth)

The above is called the **Ennead**, or 'nine godhead'. [Atum, Shu, Tefnut, Geb, Nut, Osiris, Isis, Set, Nephtys]

The Osiris, Isis and Horus myth.

Now we come to the chronicle used by Yusuf Ismail and Buxson to prove the Trinity as Egyptian mythology. Osiris and Isis joined as husband and wife whilst Set and Nephtys united as partners. **Osiris** and **Isis** had a child, **Horus**. Osiris' brother, Set, killed Osiris and dismembered his body, hiding it in a sarcophagus in the Nile. Isis searched and found his body and with the help of Nephtys, she resurrected him for a short period only to copulate with his phallus and conceived Horus. Osiris died but became the god of the afterlife and travels to the underworld. Later on, Horus and Set battled and Set gorged out Horus' eye.

The above is a very short summary of the triad, Osiris, Isis and Horus. What the Muslim scholar never tells the reader is that the Egyptian mythology had numerous "Triads" and not just Osiris, Isis and Horus. Even the Pharaoh was considered to be the child of two Egyptian gods for instance, **Rameses II, Amon and Ra** was also considered to be a "Triad" after the king declared himself divine. Obviously, the king used this ideology to have full control of his subjects. Amon and Ra was part of a family of nine gods and they themselves descended from the god Nun! My question to the Muslim scholar is; Where is the "Trinity"?

What Yusuf Ismail and Buxson did wrong was to select some references of a 'triad' in Egyptian mythology, without giving any reference to the fact that these gods were not three, but part of thousands of gods! This can never be compared the Trinity at all. Think about the fact that Osiris was the child of two higher gods and had two sisters and another brother! Where is the "Trinity" now?

If one even listens to atheists who compare the recovered pieces of Osiris' body parts from the Nile with the Christian baptism, we actually understand their ridiculous tale as sheer elaborated imagination. But, no Muslim scholar likes the fact that Osiris was the same god as the "moon god" (Hubaal) of ancient Arabia. Archaeology proved that there was an idol by name Allah in the Kabaa, and he was known as the moon god. How damaging to the Muslim in using these accusations against the Trinity, when Osiris said: "I am the Moon among the gods!"⁵⁴

Pagan trinity of Rameses II, Amon, and Ra.

It is true that Rameses II was declared as a god as was the case with many other Egyptian pharaohs. In another instance, Rameses II was also part of a triad where he had



⁵⁴ - < of the dead (English Translation). E.A. Wallis Budge. (best example on page 119)

two women “goddesses” as his consorts. Amon-ra, on the other hand, was also Amun, Ptah, and Re and was regarded as a trinity who are distinct gods but with unity in plurality. There is just one problem for the theory that Amon was one of a trinity, all other gods were created by him and accordingly began existence later than him. He himself was created by Nun! With such evidence from the Leyden poems, it is difficult to compare the Biblical Trinity with this ancient god Amon, the sun god Re and a living pharaoh.

We also find Amon as part of the The Ogdoad. It consisted of eight personified primeval forces, conceived of as four couples of beings/forces/deities⁵⁵. For every 'male' deity there is the 'female' counterpart, to make up a whole, according to the Egyptian complementary way of thinking. The male ones are shown with frogs' heads and the female ones with snakes' heads, such forms are frequently said in ancient texts to inhabit the primeval waters.

- Nu was married to Naunet = primeval waters
- Heh was married to Hauhet = boundlessness
- Kek was married to Kauket = darkness
- Amun was married to Amaunet = air.

Amun had a spouse Amaunet and was to be assimilated into Mut at Waset (Thebes). Anyhow, once the historical mythologies are read, anyone can clearly see that there are no relation between the Egyptian and Biblical Trinity. Sorry, it seems as if someone again went and picked the closest thing to 3 gods in Egypt to defame the Trinity!

Guess where it mythicist theories derived from?

I personally read more than 20 books on the different mythologies from the Sumerian to the Roman. I could not find any relation from the Triads of Egypt, Assyria, Greece and Roman myths as well from the Indian religions, anything close in existence to Jesus, and the Biblical descriptions of the Trinity. Yet, somehow the Atheist and Muslim scholar never ceases to surprise the Christian with their imaginative deception. One thing I learned throughout this investigation is the unrestricted fact that from the first century AD up until the 19th century there are no claims against the existence of Jesus and absolutely no historical evidences proving the Trinity or Jesus as a derivative from paganism. I even found a website that challenges anyone to show the references from ancient documents with a monetary initiative. So, if you have evidence that the Trinity or anything about Jesus was plagiarized from paganism, go for it and win some money whilst you are at it.

<http://zeitgeistchallenge.com/>

Gerald Massey and Acharya S.

The following are the claims of Zeitgeist word for word:

Anyone up for grabs?

One of the more sensational aspects of Massey's writings were the parallels he drew between Jesus and the Egyptian god Horus. These comparisons are primarily contained in his book *The Natural Genesis*. Massey's writings on this subject have influenced various later authors such as Alvin Boyd Kuhn, Tom Harpur, and Acharya S.[5]

Some of the similarities that Massey claimed existed are that they both

Were born of virgins on December 25

Taught in a temple as a child at age 12

Were teachers who had 12 Disciples

⁵⁵ Egypt, the World of the Pharaohs, Regine Schulz and Matthias Seidel

Were baptized in a river
Gave a sermon on the mount
Healed the sick
Raised men from the dead (El-Asar-Us for Horus, Lazarus for Jesus)
Died by crucifixion
Were resurrected three days later.[6]

W. Ward Gasque, a Ph.D from Harvard and Manchester University conducted an international poll of twenty Egyptologists - including Professor Kenneth Kitchen of the University of Liverpool and Ron Leprohan, Professor of Egyptology at the University of Toronto - in Canada, US, UK, Australia, Germany, and Austria to verify academic support for these claims. The scholars were unanimous in dismissing the claims. [7]

Thomas William ("Tom") Harpur (born 1929) is a Canadian author, broadcaster, columnist and theologian. An ordained priest, he is a proponent of the Christ myth theory, the idea that Jesus did not exist but is a fictional or mythological figure. He is the author of a number of books, including For Christ's Sake (1993), Life after Death (1996), and The Pagan Christ (2004).[1]

D. M. Murdock, better known[1][2] by her pen name Acharya S, is an American author and proponent of the Christ myth theory.[3] She has authored six books and operates a website named Truth be Known. She argues that Christianity is founded on earlier myths and the characters depicted in Christianity are based upon Roman, Greek, Egyptian, and other myths.[4]

Her unscholarly and baseless assertions have been amply refuted by others, including J.P. Holding who wrote an analysis of Acharya's latest book, The Christ Conspiracy, and Mike Licona, a New Testament historian and Christian apologist who has successfully debunked Acharya's books: Refutation of Acharya S's book, The Christ Conspiracy.

Chapter 3. The trinity and Constantine the Great.

2. Continuing his debate, Yusuf elaborated on the theory that Constantine the great was a Sun



Worshipper and introduced pagan practices into the Christian religion. Yusuf declared as evidence that Constantine minted coins in honor of Sol Invictus (the invincible Sun god) and therefore was he was a secret worshipper of this idol! The above picture was the exact one used by Yusuf Ismail as evidence to

Constantine the Great was a Sun God worshipper in secret!

Yusuf Ismail made the statement that Constantine the Great worshipped the Sun god "Sol Invictus" in secret. He gave two pieces of evidence to support his theory. The first is the fact that Constantine had Sol Invictus on his coins and the second, he declared the Christian day of worship on the holy day of the Sun God!

Sol Invictus on Constantine's coins

The accusation that Constantine worshipped Sol Invictus because we find that pagan god on his coins is again a concoction without any substantiation.⁵⁶

⁵⁶ For a good explanation visit: <http://www.churchhistory101.com/feedback/constantine-sun-worship.php>

Now look at this; Constantine became Emperor in 313 AD, facilitated the Council of Nice (Nicea) in 325 AD and died in 337 AD. What Yusuf Ismail never tells us is that after the Council of Nicea in 325, **Constantine stopped** the reference minted to “Sol Invictus” on his coins. **Ask yourself why?**

Think about this, Constantine and all his predecessors revered Sol Invictus on their coins, yet Constantine removed this practice in 325 AD!

It was fashion at the time of the Roman emperors to use the insignia just as the Americans use the Pyramid with Horus’ eye on their currency and the British the Lady of Victory. Does that make everyone in the USA pagan?

The British Lady of Victory is one and the same as Nike, the goddess of Victory! Does that make the Queen a pagan?

No, it would be just as erroneous to accuse Constantine of something so insignificant. The fact is, in history he is the only Emperor that actually removed such references from his currency. I don’t think the Americans will ever change their Pyramid, eagle and arrows and so more. **Therefore, the allegation that Constantine worshipped Sol Invictus due to the insignias on some coins are a blatant and exaggerated falsehood!**

3. Yusuf also concluded that Constantine made the “Christian Sabbath day” in honor of “**Sol Invictus**” on March 7, 321 AD! The day Constantine chose was the “**dies Solis**” (day of the sun) Yusuf Ismail added the following accusation to his observation:
 - **“So, we need to be honest now. We need to ask ourselves as Christians! Is it possible then, that what you have is a constructed Christianity that was nothing more than an amalgamation of pagan beliefs that evolved over a period of time? And since Constantine worshipped a Sun—god...Sol Invictus...there was nothing new about accepting another Sun—god...Jesus...into his pantheon, for he had Jupiter’s, the Mars’s, Venuses, the Apollo’s...Jesus would be nothing more unique!”**

Constantine chose the “Day of Sol Invictus” as the Christian sabbath

Constantine declared that the Christian day of worship will be held on the Sunday. Every Atheist and anti-Trinitarian now uses this fact to claim that this is evidence that he introduced “Sun god Worship” into the Church. Constantine declared:

“On the venerable day of the Sun let the magistrates and people residing in cities rest, and let all workshops be closed. In the country however persons engaged in agriculture may freely and lawfully continue their pursuits because it often happens that another day is not suitable for grain-sowing or vine planting; lest by neglecting the proper moment for such operations the bounty of heaven should be lost.”

Just think about this silly reasoning. If Constantine made the day of rest on a Saturday he would have said it as “dies Saturni” or “day of Saturn”. I bet you that every Muslim scholar would accuse Constantine of secretly worshipping “Saturn”! Ridiculous!

These shortsighted accusers of the Trinity don’t even know how the Romans named the days of the week! Here are the true names on how everyone called the weekdays at the time of Constantine. It would never have mattered what day he chose, all the names were pagan and to accuse him of secretly worshipping the deity of a specific day simply shows the ignorance of such an accusation.

Sunday in Latin is dies Solis "**day of the sun**"

Monday in Latin is dies Lunae "**day of the moon**"

Tuesday in Latin is dies Martis "**day of Mars**"

Wednesday in Latin is dies Mercurii "**day of Mercury**"

Thursday in Latin is dies Jovis "**day of Jupiter**"

Friday in Latin is dies Veneris "**Venus's day**"

Saturday in Latin is dies Saturni "**day of Saturn**"

Now, each of these names was the name of a pagan God and not necessarily the names of planets.

Do you see the silly reasoning by these mischievous accusers?

However, if we return to the Bible we learn that the first Christians came together on the first day after the Sabbath (Saturday) 280 years before Constantine chose the Sunday.^{57 58}

If we consult historical documents, we find more evidence that the Christians kept their Sabbath on Sundays, long before Constantine was even born.⁵⁹

- Ignatius 110 A.D. wrote that the Christians no longer adhered to the Sabbath, but to the Lord's Day, on the following day.
- Barnabas 120 AD and Justin Martyr 140 AD wrote that the Christian kept the Sabbath on the eighth day when Jesus rose from the dead.
- Didache 80-90 A.D. "And on the day of our lords resurrection, which is the Lord's Day meet more diligently."
- Even Pliny was governor of Bithynia, in Asia Minor from AD 106-108. He wrote to Trajan the emperor concerning the Christians in 107 AD meeting on a day to eat and sing hymns to their God.
- Ireneus in 155-202 AD also explained that the Christians assembled the day after the Sabbath due to the resurrection of Christ.

Do you see the ridiculous assumptions made by the Muslim scholar and atheists relating Sunday worship as pagan?

Not a single bishop ever spoke against Constantine!

What these scholars won't tell you is that the Christian bishops of that time were never scared to confront anyone who made themselves guilty of pagan idolatry. Keep in mind that many of the bishops who attended the council of Nice were persecuted during the reign of Diocletian for about 10 years. This was the most vicious persecutions experienced by the Christians over 300 years. Some of these bishops attended the council blinded, lamed, burned etc. These Christian men never hesitated to tell the previous emperor that they will never forsake Jesus Christ and that he, the emperor, are nothing more than an idol worshipper! Why would they have kept silent if they knew Constantine was introducing paganism into Christianity? This is a very poor accusation indeed.

As a matter of fact, Lactantius, strict Christian leader and historian of that time, had a high view of Constantine as both a Christian and a leader. Who does the Muslim scholar think he is to claim otherwise?

Just consider the following things about Constantine and reconsider the sad accusations these Muslim scholars now make against one of the greatest Christian leaders of all times:

⁵⁷ Acts 20:7 And upon the first day of the week, when the disciples came together to break bread, Paul preached unto them, ready to depart on the morrow; and continued his speech until midnight.

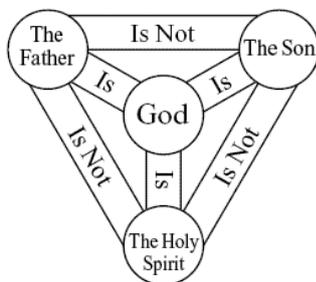
⁵⁸ 1 Corinthians. 16:2. Upon the first day of the week let every one of you lay by him in store, as God hath prospered him, that there be no gatherings when I come.

⁵⁹ <http://www.letusreason.org/7thad18.htm>

- he credited the Christian God for his military victory and ascension to the throne,
- he passed a law to forbid any Romans from being persecuted for their religious faith,
- and a law restricting businesses on Sunday, giving freedom for worship attendance,
- he returned buildings/properties to churches which had been confiscated,
- he gave money to rebuild churches which had been burned during persecution,
- he wrote letters calling bishops to prayer/unity in the name of the blessed Savior,
- he showed tender mercy to maimed bishops of persecution at the Council of Nicea,
- he called for Christian baptism on his death bed
- He even held sermons.
- He removed the pagan Greek worship as Government practice.
- He refused to be revered as a god such as was the case with all the previous Emperors.

And yet, the Muslim scholar will still maintain that Constantine introduced “Sun worship” into Christianity! I hope everyone sees the foolishness of the Muslim scholar in their attempt to discredit Constantine in the hope of criticizing the Trinity! It just fails horribly for the Atheist and Muslim scholar.

4. Yusuf also entered as evidence that the Trinity never existed before the Council of Nice in 325 AD, but **Constantine “the Sun worshipper”** introduced this pagan practice into Christian dogma. Yusuf Ismail made the statement that **Constantine formulated the Trinity** and forced the Bishops at Nicea into a **vote** to accept the Trinity due to his secretive belief in the pagan Sol Invictus. Yusuf ismail showed a simillar picture as what I attached here.



Constantine concocted the Trinity!

Remember Yusuf’s words:

“So, we need to be honest now. We need to ask ourselves as Christians! Is it possible then, that what you have is a constructed Christianity that was nothing more than an amalgamation of pagan beliefs that evolved over a period of time? And since Constantine worshipped a Sun—god...Sol Invictus...there was nothing new about accepting another Sun—god...Jesus...into his pantheon, for he had Jupiter’s, the Mars’s, Venuses, the Apollo’s...Jesus would be nothing more unique!” (I have the Video.)

The above is absolutely and untrue.⁶⁰ The Trinity as described at the Council of Nice was none other than the Trinity believed by Christians since the time of the Apostles. Constantine did not “concoct the Trinity” for the first time in history as the Muslim scholar would like us to think. Constantine had absolutely nothing to do with the explanation and discussions about the Trinity. Once Constantine learned that there was no unity in the understanding of the Trinity, difference in the time of Easter and few other discretions, he became dishearten and called upon all the bishops throughout the world to discuss the Trinitarian and Arian belief as well as the other factors at a Council at Nice. He believed Jesus was God due to the sign he received at the battle of Milvian and accepted Jesus as his Savior above all the pagan religions in the Roman Empire.

Now, present at the Council of Nice were no less than 318 bishops and presbyters. The proceedings were in the form of a symposium where opposing parties presented their case to the Council. St. Alexander from

⁶⁰ <http://www.bible.ca/trinity/trinity-history-constantine.htm>

Alexandria and Athanasius were first and presented their case in support to the Trinity. Arius, a presbyter whose name will later be synonymous with Arianism, followed up with his presentation and opposed the Trinity, refused the divinity of Jesus Christ and Unity of the Father, the Son and Holy Ghost. All the attendees except Arius and two supporters, agreed with Alexander and the Trinity. Everyone signed the Nicean Creed and the three opposing parties were banished to Illyria for their continuous quarrels and slander they practiced against their fellow bishops.

The above facts were taken from the historical works of Eusebius Pamphilus, bishop of Caesarea.⁶¹ **There is absolutely no factual support in the accusation that Constantine concocted the Trinity.** The whole historical event before the Council of Nice covered at least 7 years where Arius deceptively attempted to introduce his view that Jesus was a creature and not a divine presence.

However, I decided to make a timeline to show anyone on references was made about the Trinity shortly before the Council of Nice.

- 320AD, Alexander called a synod of the church of Alexandria and its neighboring province of Mareotis for the specific intention of deciding what action would be taken regarding Arianism. At the synod, thirty-six presbyters and forty-four deacons, including Athanasius of Alexandria, agreed to a condemnation of Arianism and signed a document to that effect.⁶²
- 321, Alexander called a general council of the entire church of the nation. The council gathered no less than one hundred participants. At this council, Arius continued to argue his earlier position, that the Son could not be co-eternal with the father, and even went on to say that the Son was not similar to the Father in substance. This last statement was received with horror by the assembled council, who placed Arius under anathema until he recanted his positions.
- 325 AD. Council of Nicea. 315 out of 318 bishops agreed to the Trinity where The Father, Jesus and Holy Ghost are one God but divine in individual nature.

If we consider the above historical fact, we will have to agree that the Trinity existed long before 320. However, the anti—Trinitarians made their appearance only then. Never vice versa!

Just in the above historical facts, it is very clear that the Trinity was never “formulated or concocted” by Constantine as claimed by the Muslim scholars. On the contrary, the entire Christian world, from England to India and Scythia to Ethiopia believed in the Trinity. However, in about 317 AD, one man, Arius came up with the idea that Jesus was not divine but a creation of the Father and that the Holy Ghost was a mere creative power. As we saw, Alexander from Alexandria kept on correcting Arius on his blasphemous utterances, but to no avail.

Therefore, the Muslim scholar is wrong in their assumption that Constantine evoked a vote and forced the Trinity upon the Church in 325 AD because, the Trinity was understood long before the event of the council of Nicea.

Evidence: The Trinity existed long before the Council of Nicea!

Well, well, well...what do we have here?

Just look at all the Christians who described the Trinity long before Constantine the great at the Council of Nicea!

Cyprian, (died September 14, 258) says the following in his “De Catholicae ecclesiae unitate”, “The Lord says, ‘I and the Father are one’; and again it is written of the **Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit, ‘And these three are one.’”**

⁶¹ Appendix “The Council of Nice”.

⁶² Atiya, Aziz S.. The Coptic Encyclopedia. New York:Macmillan Publishing Company, 1991. ISBN 0-02-897025-X. and http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/St._Alexander_of_Alexandria#cite_note-CE-3

Tertullian (160 – c. 225 AD), a Latin theologian, is credited with using the words "**Trinity**", "person" and "substance" to explain that the **Father, Son, and Holy Spirit are "one in essence—not one in Person"**.⁶³

Theophilus, Patriarch of Antioch, died between 183 and 185 also made mention of the Trinity with the word: "**Trinity**" (Greek: τριας trias). Although he did not use the words, "the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit" to describe the Trinity, he describes it as "**God, his Word (Logos) and his Wisdom (Sophia)**." The fact remains, Theopolis regarded each as divine in nature but one God. This means that the Trinity was known before 180 AD and that was 145 years before Nicea!

Melito of Sardis (177 AD) "...The activities of Christ after his baptism, and especially his miracles, gave indication and assurance to the world of the **deity hidden in his flesh. Being God and likewise perfect man**, he gave positive indications of his two natures: of his deity, by the miracles during the three years following after his baptism, of his humanity, in the thirty years which came before his baptism, during which, by reason of his condition according to the flesh, he concealed the signs of his deity, although he was the **true God existing before the ages**" (Fragment in Anastasius of Sinai's The Guide 13).

Athenagoras (177 AD) "**The Son of God is the Word of the Father** in thought and actuality. By him and through him all things were made, the **Father and the Son being one**. Since the Son is in the Father and the Father is in the Son by the unity and power of the Spirit, the Mind and Word of the Father is the Son of God. And if, in your exceedingly great wisdom, it occurs to you to inquire what is meant by 'the Son,' I will tell you briefly: He is the first- begotten of the Father, not as having been produced, for **from the beginning God had the Word in himself**, God being eternal mind and eternally rational, but as coming forth to be the model and energizing force of all material things" (Plea for the Christians 10:2-4).

Tatian the Syrian (170 AD) "We are not playing the fool, you Greeks, nor do we talk nonsense, when we report that **God was born in the form of a man**" (Address to the Greeks 21).

Mathetes (160 AD) "**[The Father] sent the Word that he might be manifested to the world . . .** This is he who was from the beginning, who appeared as if new, and was found old . . . This is he who, being from everlasting, is today called the Son" (Letter to Diognetus 11).

Polycarp of Smyrna (150 AD) "I praise you for all things, I bless you, I glorify you, along with the **everlasting and heavenly Jesus Christ, your beloved Son, with whom, to you and the Holy Spirit**, be glory both now and to all coming ages. Amen" (Martyrdom of Polycarp 14).

Justin Martyr (150 AD). Two out of hundreds of quotes "The **Father** of the universe has a **Son**, who also being the first **begotten Word of God is even God**." (Justin Martyr, First Apology, ch 63)
And "**Christ is called both God and Lord of hosts**." (Dialogue with Trypho, ch, 36)

Aristides (140 AD) "[Christians] are they who, above every people of the Earth, have found the truth, for they acknowledge **God**, the creator and maker of all things, in the only-begotten **Son** and in the **Holy Spirit**" (Apology 16).

Hermas (80 AD) "The **Son of God** is older than all his creation, so that he became the **Father's** adviser in his creation. Therefore also he is ancient" (The Shepherd 12).

⁶³ The Ante-Nicene Fathers, volume 3. Page 621; c. 213 AD. Edited By: Alexander Roberts. Also <http://www.religionfacts.com/christianity/beliefs/trinity.htm#3>

The Letter of Barnabas (74 AD) "And further, my brethren, if the **Lord [Jesus]** endured to suffer for our soul, he being the Lord of all the world, to **whom God said** at the foundation of the world, '**Let us make man after our image**, and after our likeness,' understand how it was that he endured to suffer at the hand of men" (Letter of Barnabas 5).

The Huleatt Manuscript (50 AD) "She poured it [the perfume] over **his [Jesus']** hair when he sat at the table. But, when the disciples saw it, they were indignant. . . . **God**, aware of this, said to them: 'Why do you trouble this woman? She has done [a beautiful thing for me.] . . . Then one of the Twelve, who was called Judas Iscariot, went to the chief priest and said, 'What will you give me for my work?' [Matt. 26:7-15]" (Huleatt fragments 1-3).

The Muslim scholar did not tell the truth at all! Here we find that Tertullian was the first person to have used the word "Trinity" ...and he did so at least 130 years before the council of Nicea! Theopolis spoke the same about the Trinity more than 145 years before this event at Nicea. This is the actual evidence that everything the Muslim and Atheist said about the **pagan origins of the Trinity that was concocted by Constantine, is just one big lie!** Now, why did Yusuf Ismail do such a thing? I can only wish he did so due to ignorance and not out of willful deception.

5. Furthering his argument, Yusuf Ismail showed that Julius Wellhausen (1844 –1918), who was a German biblical scholar and orientalist, proved that the Trinity was a misunderstanding due to the origin and compilation of the Pentateuch/Torah with his "**documentary hypothesis**".
 - The Anti—Trinitarian Julius Wellhausen devised his "documentary hypothesis" (first published 1878 as *Geschichte Israels*) where he proposed that the Torah was written about a thousand year after Moses by four writers and these documents were later combined in one document at about 500 BC.
 - He reasoned as such,
 - the fact that we will find the Name Elohim in Genesis 1 to 3,
 - but YHWH is found for the first time in Genesis 4: 1
 - and Adonai, for its first time in Genesis 20: 4, defines that different writers compiled the Torah at about 750 to 650 BC and these documents were then "combined" to the current version after about 550 BC.
 - Wellhausen's reasoning was that Genesis 1 and 2 are in contradiction with each other about the chronology of certain creation events. His accusation to contradictions in Genesis is as follow;
 - In Genesis 1 we found that God made animals and man after He made plants, but in Genesis 2: 7 - 9 we find God made man before He made plants.
 - In Genesis 1 God made Animals before man, but in Genesis 2: 19 we read that God made animals after Adam.
 - The above gave Julius Wellhausen the insight in understanding that different writers wrote about the Creation epoch, but someone "joined" these documents into one manuscript at a very later date.
6. Finally, Yusuf Ismail showed that the Plural use in Genesis 1 to be mere use of "Pluralis Excellentiae" or "the Royal We!"

- Due to the use in the Old Testament of the plural form of “El” (Elohim) and other uses of “Us” and “Our” in Genesis 1: 26⁶⁴ and Genesis 3: 22⁶⁵, the door is open for the Christian argument in support of the Trinity.
- The Quran also uses the Plural when Allah speaks of himself. However, this plural use should be regarded as “Pluralis Excellantiae” where God speaks of Himself in a form of honor, and not as a plural God!

The above concludes the evidence by Yusuf Ismail to prove beyond doubt that the Trinity originated from paganism and was concocted by the Constantine where he forged it into the Christian religion. I knew I had a lot of research to do to verify whether the Trinity initiated from these beginnings or not. Well, if the Muslim scholar’s argument is truthful, the Trinity should be discarded as idolatry. I however knew I had to visit the source of the Muslim scholar’s animosity against the Triune God. I opened the Quran.

But, the Jews considered the Trinity as blasphemy and idolatry!

That’s what I thought. Everyone tells me that the Jews consider the Trinity as polytheistic and therefore blasphemous. However, these people forget that Jesus and all the apostles were Jews! All the first Christians were Jews. If we read Acts 10 we learn that up until the time Peter was given a vision not to consider the gentiles as unclean, only Jews were Christian! Only thereafter did Peter accept to teach Cornelius and his household the Gospel and to assist them in baptism.

We should also keep in mind that the first Christians still practiced their Jewish rites and went to the synagogue on the Sabbath preaching the gospel to other Jews.

- Stephen was handed over out of a synagogue of the Libertines after he disputed with the Jews and they eventually stoned him to death.⁶⁶
- Paul and Barnabas taught the Jews in a synagogue at Perga in Pamphylia on a Sabbath day.⁶⁷ The Jews asked them to return the next Sabbath to hear more. There was a great multitude of Jews and gentiles and some Jews stirred anger up against Paul and Barnabas. Many Jews followed Paul and Barnabas.⁶⁸
- Paul and Barnabas went to Iconium and again spoke in the synagogue and converted many Jews and Greeks to Christ.⁶⁹
- Paul and Silas came to Thessalonica and Paul spoke there for three Sabbaths. Many Jews and Greeks became Christians. Some other Jews again stirred hatred up against the Apostles.⁷⁰
- Paul and Silas had to flee from Thessalonica and arrived at Berea where they went into the synagogue and preached to the Jews that they should not believe him, that’s Paul, but that they should investigate the Scriptures, the Old Testament, and find out for themselves if Paul was telling the truth or not about Jesus.
 - It is important to note what is written in Acts 17:11 “These were more noble than those in Thessalonica, in that they **received the word with all readiness of mind, and searched the scriptures daily, whether those things were so.**”
- Paul went to Athens and again spoke in the synagogue preaching the gospel and many Jew and Gentile became Christian there too!⁷¹

⁶⁴ Gen 1:26 And God said, Let us make man in our image, after our likeness:

⁶⁵ Gen 3:22 And the LORD God said, Behold, the man is become as one of us,

⁶⁶ Acts_6:9

⁶⁷ Acts_13:14

⁶⁸ Acts 13: 42 -43

⁶⁹ Acts_14:1

⁷⁰ Acts 17: 1

⁷¹ Acts 17: 17

- At Corinth Paul taught in the synagogue and reasoning with the Jews and gentiles, some of them blasphemed him and opposed him; he declared that he will from henceforth go to the gentiles only!⁷²
- Crispus, the leader of the synagogue at Corinth, was a devout Christian and many hearing the gospel believed and was baptized.⁷³
- Paul went to the synagogue at Ephesus and reasoned with the Jews.⁷⁴
- In Acts 18: 24 we learn of a Jew, Apollos from Alexandria that was **mighty in the scriptures** and who **“mightily convinced the Jews, and that publicly, showing by the scriptures that Jesus was Christ.”**

There are many examples of the first Christians being Jews in the New Testament, but there are two reasons why I decided to extract the above verses in this letter.

The first reason is to ensure that we understand that the Gospel of Jesus was preached in the Jewish Synagogues throughout the Roman Empire. Think about this, if anyone stood up in the synagogue in front of the rabbi's and scribes and started teaching that Jesus was the Christ, I bet that person would have had to explain his findings from the Old Testament or be branded as a blasphemer. Now, we know Paul was one of the most learned Jews on the Old Testament scriptures as he stated in Acts 22:3

“I am verily a man which am a Jew, born in Tarsus, a city in Cilicia, yet brought up in this city at the feet of Gamaliel, and taught according to the perfect manner of the law of the fathers, and was zealous toward God, as ye all are this day.”

Therefore, I don't think anyone would have been able to simply claim that Jesus was God without any reference of support from the Jewish scriptures!

The second reason for the above analogy on why the first Christians were Jews is the fact that not only did the Apostles and Paul know the Old Testament to enable themselves to reason and explain Jesus' divinity to the Jews, but that the very persons they explained the gospel to will recognize the arguments set out by the apostles. Please note what Acts 17:11 says about the people at Berea: “These were more noble than those in Thessalonica, in that they **received the word with all readiness of mind, and searched the scriptures daily, whether those things were so.**”

This is the most incredible insight to what the first Jews did before they accepted Jesus as their Lord and Savior. They accepted the gospel by “readiness of mind” and they then “searched the scriptures to learn if it was the truth”! Now, who else to deliver the Gospel to than to the Jews that knew the Old Testament and by the Jew that studied it by heart?

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The Question now remains, how did Paul and the Apostles teach to the first Jews so that they believed that Jesus was the Son of God and became Man amongst us? In the next passages it will be clarified just how the Jews perceived the Trinity and why they accepted the Trinity as the God of Israel.

⁷² Acts 18: 6

⁷³ Acts 18: 8

⁷⁴ Acts 18: 19

What is the Trinity? Is it 3 gods or one God?

If you were to ask an audience, say half of them are Christians and the rest Muslim, “is the Trinity polytheism?” I bet you all the Christians will answer “no, the Trinity is one God”, but the Muslims will say “yes, the Trinity is many gods!” Why is it then that the Christians accept the Trinity as “One God” even though they don’t understand how this can be explained? Why is it then that the Muslims refuses to even grasp the “Unity” of the Trinity?

The answer is simple indeed. The Christians accept Jesus as their Lord God and they understand the Holy Ghost as the power of God sent by the Father. They have to believe that the Father, Jesus and Holy Ghost are God and acts individually as God. The Muslim can never accept the Trinity **for he is taught not to accept the Trinity**. He is taught that Allah doesn’t have any equal and he is taught that Jesus was only a prophet and nothing more.

However, I never bothered to find out if the Trinity was polytheism either. I accepted Jesus as God. I know the Holy Ghost is God and I know the Father is in heaven. Somehow I also knew that they were one and the same, but individual from each other.

Now, when I started to think about the Trinity, I saw it was not an easy thing to explain logically and one should consult the Bible to understand how God exists as a Triune divinity.

This is what Paul and the apostles did. They showed the Jews of their time the facts about the Father, His Spirit and His Word.

Does the Old Testament know the Trinity?

What I found in history concerning the origins of the Trinity is almost like a dramatic Hollywood movie. When I investigated the attacks against the Trinity and the answers contained in the Bible, I was amazed at the reasons why Jews accepted Christianity 2 000 years ago. I hope you enjoy what I learned.

Muslim scholars and Julius Wellhausen on the Bible and Allah!

Yusuf Ismail made another terrible mistake when he attempted to prove the Triune name in Genesis as a concoction by the hands of the Jewish scribes.

He referred to the publications of the Anti—Trinitarian Julius Wellhausen who devised his “documentary hypothesis” (first published 1878 as *Geschichte Israels*) where he proposed that the Torah was written about a thousand year after Moses by four writers and these documents were later combined in one document at about 500 BC.

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Poor Julius Wellhausen, he simply proved himself incompetent to read the Bible!

- First, God made man after plants, but in Genesis 2 God gives a description of how He planted the Garden of Eden. Those plants were not the plants He created on the third day!
- Secondly, God made animals in front of Adam in the Garden of Eden; these were also not the animals God created in Genesis 1!
- What Wellhausen misunderstood was the fact that Genesis 1 gave a description of all 7 days of creation, but Genesis 2 tells us what God did on day 6! Here we find the detail of how God made Adam, and Eve on the 6th day.

The result is then that the names in Genesis was not compiled by four different writers and combined in 600 BC, but Genesis could easily date from 1 450 BC and Wellhausen was weighed and found without substance.

Therefore, the Names in Genesis and the Pentateuch remain a door of opportunity to allow for the Trinity.

The really nice thing for us Christians is the fact that the Muslim scholars used Julius Wellhausen as some sort of evidence to discredit the Trinity, but what Yusuf Ismail never knew is the fact that the mere association with **Wellhausen decimated the authenticity of Allah!**

Why do I say that?

Not only did he write his book “Geschichte Israels” in 1878, but he also wrote “Arabischen Heidenthums” or ‘Arabic Heathenism’. Wellhausen investigated the origins of the Islamic view of Allah and the polytheism of pre-Islamic Arabia, which date back to the nineteenth century BC. These concern the evolution and etymology of “**Allah**” and the mythological identity of the Moon god Hubal. On the basis that the Kaaba was Allah's house, but the most important idol within it was that of Hubal, **Julius Wellhausen considered Hubal to be an ancient name for Allah.**⁷⁵

Poor Muslim scholars! They again thought they were destroying the names of the Trinity with the use of an Atheist, yet they never knew the same atheist discovered that Allah is an Arabic idol!

Ok, so why do the Christians believe in the Trinity?

We saw it was not due to Constantine who somehow concocted the Trinity from pagan beliefs, because the Trinity predates Constantine by at least 200 years! We are sure that the Trinity was also not some new religion brewed up by “agent Paul” as the Muslim scholar wants to teach that Paul was and agent for Satan and now somehow for the first time in the history of mankind taught Polytheism in contradiction to what the Old Testament said.

Why do I say that Paul did not introduce the Trinity wilfully against the known God of Israel? Simply because of what we read in Acts 17:11

“These were more noble than those in Thessalonica, in that **they received the word with all readiness of mind, and searched the scriptures daily**, whether those things were so.”

What scriptures did these first Christians search? Well, they were all Jews therefore they searched the Old Testament.

So, why don't we search the scriptures and see if Paul simply introduced a new god, or of if these Jews understood that the Trinity was the God of the Old Testament?

⁷⁵ J. Wellhausen, Reste Arabischen Heidenthums. pp.75

Because we find the Trinity in the Old Testament, nowhere else!

The most important verse to the Jews is naturally Deuteronomy 6: 4

"Shema Yisroel Adonai Elochenu Adonai Echad" (Hear O Israel: The Lord our God is one Lord.)

As we have seen, it means hear Israel, YHWH your GODS is a ONE YHWH. Every Jew recites this verse at least once a day. Now ask yourself, if Paul somehow introduced a new monotheistic religion, why did the Jews turn Christian against their scriptural information? Was it that the Jews understood that the God of the Old Testament was perceived as a "single God", but with different personalities when interacting with His creation?

Elohim is YHWH, His Spirit and His Word.

Well, Genesis 1 says it all.

In Verse 1 we find that God created the heaven and Earth. This God is Elohim and as we learned Elohim is plural followed with a singular verb. In other words, 'Gods' created as a singular unit! (In the beginning Gods create as One the heaven and earth.)

Gen 1:1 In the beginning **God created** the heaven and the earth.

In the very next verse we read, about the **Spirit of God**.

Gen 1:2 And the **Spirit of God** moved upon the face of the waters.

Wait a bit! If Genesis 1: 1 says that **GodS (plural) createS (singular)** the heaven and Earth, and we find the **Spirit of God** moved upon the face of the waters, who was this Spirit? Was He God or a mere angel?

Sorry Muslim scholar, here we already have two personages of the Trinity!

Compare Gen 1: 2 with Proverbs 8: 22 to 36 and you will have to agree that God had "something" as companion from the beginning with Him. Gen 1: 2 says it is the spirit of God. (**YHWH Ruach**) He was definitely not an angel!

Angels did not exist from everlasting!

Proverbs 8:22 **The LORD possessed me in the beginning** of his way, before his works of old.

Proverbs 8:23 **I was set up from everlasting**, from the beginning, or ever the earth was.

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Proverbs 8:26 While as yet he had not made the earth, nor the fields, nor the highest part of the dust of the world.

Proverbs 8:27 **When he prepared the heavens, I was there**: when he set a compass upon the face of the depth:

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Proverbs 8:30 Then I was by him, as one brought up with him: and **I was daily his delight**, rejoicing always before him;

Proverbs 8:31 Rejoicing in the habitable part of his earth; and my delights were with the sons of men.

Proverbs 8:32 Now therefore **hearken unto me**, O ye children: for blessed are they that **keep my ways**.

Proverbs 8:33 Hear instruction, and be wise, and refuse it not.

Proverbs 8:34 Blessed is the man that heareth me, watching daily at my gates, waiting at the posts of my doors.

Proverbs 8:35 **For whoso findeth me findeth life**, and shall obtain favour of the LORD.

Proverbs 8:36 **But he that sinneth against me wrongeth his own soul**: all they that hate me love death.

The secret is revealed in verses 32 to 36. It is clear that we should listen to the instruction of "Truth", that we should find **Him to find life** if we want to find favour with God, but the most important is that we should **never sin against this personage called "Truth"!**

Now, what else but God is this "Truth"?

Consider this, Truth is also God's Word and are synonymous with each other.

This is an interesting analysis indeed. If "Truth" was with YHWH when the Father created everything, we should understand that **"Truth" and YHWH was at least 2 persons present during Creation!**

Now we can understand why Jesus called Himself the Truth and the Way. He referred to Proverbs 8 and together with John 1 we can clearly understand **that Jesus is part of Elohim!**

Joh 14:6 Jesus saith unto him, **I am the way, the truth**, and the life: no man cometh unto the Father, but by me.

The following words echo straight from Proverbs 8: 35 and 36.

Joh 14:11 Believe me that **I am in the Father, and the Father in me**: or else believe me for the very works' sake.

Joh 14:12 Verily, verily, I say unto you, **He that believeth on me**, the works that I do shall he do also; and greater works than these shall he do; because I go unto my Father.

Joh 14:13 And whatsoever ye shall **ask in my name, that will I do, that the Father may be glorified in the Son**.

However, we also find that this "Spirit of Truth is described as another personality of Elohim.

Joh 15:23 He that hateth me hateth my Father also.

Joh 15:26 But when the Comforter is come, whom I will send unto you from the Father, even the **Spirit of truth**, which **proceedeth from the Father**, he shall testify of me:

Jesus was present during the Creation!

Now, note how Proverbs 8 fits in with John 1: 1 to 14

In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God.

The same was in the beginning with God.

All things were made by him; and without him was not anything made that was made.

"And the Word was made flesh, and dwelt among us"

Following up on Genesis we now have to agree that **YHWH together with the Spirit of YHWH and YHWH's Word created everything**. Please note, here we find the truth in logic again. It was not three different 'gods' that participated in the creation, but if I am allowed to describe it as such, three different "fragments" of Elohim. So far we find YHWH and YHWH's Spirit and YHWH's Word described in Genesis as present during the creation! We must understand it as three different components of one unit.

Who did Elohim speak to when He said, "Let there be light!"

Obviously God did not speak to the matter and energy in the Universe, nor did He speak to Angels or the Sun or Stars. No, Elohim spoke to 'Truth' or as we know Him, the Word. And as we saw in John 1 and proverbs 8, this word of God was Jesus. YHWH was the mind of creation and Jesus the physical practitioner of creation. The Spirit of God was the power of YHWH that bound everything together.

Again, who did ELOHIM speak to here? There is not a single Jewish commentary in existence that agrees that Elohim spoke to angels or the earth to help him to create Adam. Every single Jewish scholar will consider such an accusation as blasphemous.

Genesis 1:26: Then God (Elohim) said, "Let **Us** make man in **Our** image, according to **Our** likeness ..."

These verses strengthen the fact that Elohim was speaking of Himself in the plural form as confirmed by W.C.H. Pauli.

Genesis 3:22: Then the LORD God (YHVH Elohim) said, "Behold, the man has become like one of **Us**"

Genesis 11:7: "Come, let **Us** go down and there confuse their language."

Even the accusation on Pluralis Excelentiae fails in the following verse and one can clearly see that God describes Himself as I and Us in one verse!.

Isaiah 6:8: Also I heard the voice of the **Lord** (Adonai), saying: "Whom shall I send, and who will go for **Us**?"

This last passage would appear contradictory with the singular "I" and the plural "us" except as viewed as a plurality (us) in a unity (I).

Another passage describing the plurality of Elohim is found in the following verses.

Psalm 45:6-7: "Your throne, O God, is forever and ever: A sceptre of righteousness is the sceptre of Your kingdom. You love righteousness and hate wickedness; **Therefore God, Your God, has anointed You** with the oil of gladness more than Your companions."

It should be noted that the first Elohim is being addressed and the second Elohim is the God of the first Elohim. And so God's God has anointed him with the oil of gladness.

What about Hosea 1:7:

"Yet **I will have mercy** on the house of Judah, will save them by the **LORD their God**, and will not save them by bow, nor by sword or battle, by horses or horsemen."

Here we have Elohim who says he will have mercy on the house of Judah and YHWH, their Elohim will save them. So Elohim number one will save Israel by means of Elohim number two.

I have yet to find an anti-Trinitarian that can explain the double YHWH in Genesis 19:24:

"Then he **LORD rained** brimstone and fire on Sodom and Gomorrah **from the LORD** out of the heavens."

Clearly we have YHWH number one raining fire and brimstone from a second YHWH who is in heaven, the first one being on earth.

Just look at the double YHWH in Zechariah 2:8-9:

"For thus says the **LORD of hosts**: "**He sent Me** after glory, to the nations which plunder you; for he who touches you touches the apple of His eye. For surely **I will shake My hand** against them, and they shall become spoil for their servants. Then you will know that **the LORD of hosts has sent Me.**"

Think about that fact that God will send God!
How Many Persons are there in that passage?

Jesus was the Angel of God in the Old Testament

In Genesis 16:7 we find a reference to the Angel of YHWH, but then in 16:13 it is revealed that this Angel was YHWH himself.

Gen 16:7 And the **angel of the LORD found her** (Hagar) by a fountain of water in the wilderness, by the fountain in the way to Shur.

Against

Gen 16:13 And she called the **name of the LORD that spake unto her**, Thou God seest me: for she said, Have I also here looked after him that seeth me?

In Genesis 22:11 he is the Angel of YHWH, but God himself in 22:16.

Gen 22:11 And the **angel of the LORD** called unto him out of heaven, and said, Abraham, Abraham: and he said, Here am I.

Against

Gen 22:16 And **(the Angel of the Lord) said, By myself have I sworn, saith the LORD**, for because thou hast done this thing, and hast not withheld thy son, thine only son:

Gen 22:17 That in blessing I will bless thee, and in multiplying I will multiply thy seed as the stars of the heaven, and as the sand which is upon the sea shore; and thy seed shall possess the gate of his enemies;

Again, this Angel of God reveals himself as God!

Genesis 31:11 And the **angel of God** spake unto me in a dream, saying, Jacob: And I said, Here am I.

...

Against

Gen 31:13 **I am the God of Bethel**, where thou anointedst the pillar, and where thou vowedst a vow unto me: now arise, get thee out from this land, and return unto the land of thy kindred.

What better evidence do we need to show that the Angel of God is God as when he appeared to Moses?

Exodus 3:2 And **the angel of the LORD** appeared unto him in a flame of fire out of the midst of a bush: and he looked, and, behold, the bush burned with fire, and the bush was not consumed.

Exo 3:3 And Moses said, I will now turn aside, and see this great sight, why the bush is not burnt.

Exodus 3:4 And when the **LORD saw** that he turned aside to see, **God called** unto him out **of the midst of the bush**, and said, Moses, Moses. And he said, Here am I.

And the Trinity does exist in the Old Testament!

In Isaiah 48 we find a nice description of three personages in Elohim. He first calls Himself the First and the Last, then follows it up with the fact that He, Elohim told us from the beginning who He is. Listen to what **Elohim** says: **“there am I: and now the Lord GOD, and his Spirit, hath sent me.”**

Isaiah 48:12 Hearken unto me, O Jacob and Israel, my called; **I am he; I am the first, I also am the last.**

Isaiah 48:13 Mine hand also hath laid the foundation of the earth, and my right hand hath spanned the heavens: when I call unto them, they stand up together.

Isaiah 48:14 All ye, assemble yourselves, and hear; which among them hath declared these things? The LORD hath loved him: he will do his pleasure on Babylon, and his arm shall be on the Chaldeans.

Isaiah 48:15 I, even I, have spoken; yea, I have called him: I have brought him, and he shall make his way prosperous.

Isaiah 48:16 **Come ye near unto me, hear ye this; I have not spoken in secret from the beginning; from the time that it was, there am I: and now the Lord GOD, and his Spirit, hath sent me.**

Isaiah 48:17 Thus saith the **LORD**, thy Redeemer, the Holy One of Israel; I am **the LORD thy God** which teacheth thee to profit, which leadeth thee by the way that thou shouldest go.

Muslim scholars, anti-Trinitarians, Atheists and who ever think they have the “knowledge” to decimate the Trinity with their unfounded concoctions, please explain away Isaiah 48! It is simply impossible!

Proverbs 30:3 I neither learned wisdom, nor have the knowledge of the holy.

Proverbs 30:4 Who hath ascended up into heaven, or descended? who hath gathered the wind in his fists? who hath bound the waters in a garment? who hath established all the ends of the earth? what is his name, and what **is his son's name, if thou canst tell?**

Conclusion on the Trinity in the Old Testament.

As we have seen, there exists not a single doubt that the Trinity had its origins from one source only and that is from the Old Testament.

The claim that the apostle Paul deceived everyone in believing that Jesus was God and there are somehow no evidence to Jesus being the Son of God and the Holy Spirit a mere angel or even the coming prophet of Islam, Muhammad, is mere daydreaming.

As we saw, the first Christians were Jews and boy, the Jews knew their scriptures. The Muslim scholar should keep in mind that the Jews never condemned the Christians due to the claim that Jesus was God, on the contrary, all Jews understand that there is one God, but He consists of the Father, His Spirit and His Word. That makes one God and not three as the Muslim so vehemently propagates.

Hirsch Prinz, or as we know him as W.H.C. Pauli proved beyond doubt that all the Jewish scriptures knew that God had different personages and that is the sole reason why Jews, even today, accept The Trinity as a single ONE GOD! Jewish writers that lived at the time of Christ, such as Philo, even never hesitated to teach that the Torah taught that God was the Father, He had a Spirit that acted as God, and that God's “Word” was also God! This is evidence to the Trinity that no one can ever dismiss as a concoction made by the Christian.

If anyone can be accused of “concocting” the Trinity, it should be the **Author of the Old Testament**. Well, I believe God the Father compiled the creation and history of everything with the power of the Holy Spirit and it was the living word of God compiled in the Bible for us to know how He did it.

In other words, if you want to know who “Concocted” the Trinity, you will find the answer in the Bible...nowhere else but the Bible.

You won’t find the roots of the Trinity at the Council of Nicea, the apostles, the New Testament (although it gives a full description thereof), or even in the Quran! The Trinity comes out of the Old Testament.

May I again remind that the first Christians investigated the Old Testament and found Paul and Apollos was not a liar about Christ! Now, who does the Muslim scholar think he is in making such unfounded accusations?

- Acts 18: 24; Apollos from Alexandria, that was **mighty in the scriptures** and who “**mightily convinced the Jews, and that publicly, showing by the scriptures that Jesus was Christ.**”
- Acst 17:11 “These were more noble than those in Thessalonica, in that they **received the word with all readiness of mind, and searched the scriptures daily, whether those things were so.**”

In short, if we want to know about God the Father, Holy Spirit and Jesus Christ, we must go to the Old Testament.

If the Quran claims the Trinity as blasphemy, it does not derive from the God of the Old Testament at all!

The Trinity in Islam?

Why should I believe the Quran in anything it says about the God as described in the Biblia Hebraica? There is not the slightest reference to the Names of God within its pages. Adonai, Elohim, Yahweh, Yeshua, and Yahweh Ruach does not exist anywhere in this so called revelation from Allah.

As we saw, the very same publications and learned scholars utilized by the Muslim scholar in their attacks to destroy the very thought of the Holy Names of God, are the exact same evidence that teaches us that Allah, Mecca, the Quran and the Kabaah found its origins from ancient paganism.

The fact that Muhammad claimed that Abraham built the Kabaah with the help of Ismail, or Isaac from other opinions, can never be substantiated. It is mere wishful thinking and an attempt from Muhammad to somehow introduce the God of the Old Testament into the name of Allah! We saw how archaeology, Julius Wellhausen, and Alexander Hislop identified the origins of Islam as pagan and totally removed from the Biblical God.

Now, why don’t we learn from this Quran the concoctions against the Trinity it holds as “truth”?

The Quran got the Trinity wrong!

Q 4: 171 People of the Book, do not exceed the limits of devotion in your religion or say anything about God which is not the Truth. **Jesus, son of Mary, is only a Messenger of God**, His Word, and a spirit from Him whom He conveyed to Mary. So have faith in God and His Messengers. **Do not say that there are three gods.** It is better for you to stop believing **in the Trinity. There is only One God.** He is too glorious **to give birth to a son.** To God belongs all that is in the heavens and the earth. God alone is a Sufficient Guardian for all. [Muhammad Sawar translation]

Now, how can anyone tell me not to believe in the Trinity when they themselves don’t understand that;

- **The Trinity is not three gods.**
- I know the Trinity to be one God, why do you think it is three gods?
- **Why do you think God gave birth to a son?**

- How can you demand that Jesus is a mere prophet, when Muhammad could not pass the test to prove his prophet hood (Deuteronomy 18: 18 – 22)?

Sorry, this verse clearly is evidence that Muhammad hated the fact that he was never on par with any of the prophets of the Bible and needed to somehow to defame Jesus!

Let's look at the following verse where Muhammad supposedly received a revelation from Allah that all Christians will go to hell because we worship Jesus!

Q 5: (72) They have certainly disbelieved who say, "**Allah is the Messiah, the son of Mary**" while the **Messiah has said, "O Children of Israel, worship Allah, my Lord and your Lord."** Indeed, he who **associates others with Allah - Allah has forbidden him Paradise, and his refuge is the Fire.** And there are not for the wrongdoers any helpers.

Q 5: (73) They have certainly disbelieved who say, "**Allah is the third of three.**" And there is no god except one God. And if they do not desist from what they are saying, there will surely afflict the disbelievers among them a **painful punishment.** [Sahee International]

- Nobody ever said Allah was the son of Mary! Allah was only some pagan god known by the Arabs.
- Again, Show me from the New Testament where Jesus said: **O Children of Israel, worship Allah, ... Allah has forbidden him Paradise, and his refuge is the Fire.**
- Now, I cannot understand why any Muslim will even attempt to tell me that Christians think "Allah is a third of three". Listen carefully, the Trinity is called Elohim and Elohim consists of YHWH, YHWH Ruach and Yeshua! **There is no "Allah" nor any "Issa" in the Trinity.**
- "Allah" and "Issa" simply never existed.

Then Allah gives the reader a "Sign" to understand that only he can be called god. Jesus ate food and God does not need sustenance.

Surah 5; 75. The Messiah, the son of Mary, was not **except a Messenger**, other **Messengers had gone before him.** His mother was in the state of sincerity, **they both ate food.** See how **We make plain to them Our signs.** Then, see how perverted they are.

77. Say, 'People of the Book! Do not exaggerate your religion, other than the truth, and do not follow the desires of a people who went astray before, and led many astray, and, (once again) have gone astray from the Straight Path.'

What a sign is this sent by the mighty Allah? Jesus ate food! I only wonder why Allah was **incapable to:**

- Give Muhammad a prophecy to prove he was a prophet of god according to how Elohim did it in Deuteronomy 18: 18 - 22?
- Give Muhammad a miracle to prove the above?
- However, I still wonder why Allah doesn't know the Prophets of the Old testament except for a few such as Moses, Job, Lot, Abraham, Isaac, Jacob etc.
- Then Allah thinks people such as Noah, Adam and even Eve were prophets. One can only ponder to who Adam gave prophecies?
- Allah also never knew that Ishmael was never a prophet and the Egyptians not Muslim!
- As a matter of fact, the Quran gives a description of Duhl Quarnain who according to Muslim scholars was Alexander the Great. Well, Alexander believed in Zeus!

I rest my case! Wonder who is leading who astray now?

Here is another piece of evidence where the author of the Quran really didn't have a clue to what the trinity consisted of!

9: (30) The **Jews** say, "**Ezra is the son of Allah**"; and the **Christians** say, "**The Messiah is the son of Allah.**" That is their statement from their mouths; they imitate the saying of those who disbelieved [before them]. May Allah destroy them; how are they deluded?

9: (31) They have taken their **scholars and monks as lords besides Allah**, and [also] the Messiah, the son of Mary. And they were not **commanded except to worship one God**; there is no deity except Him. Exalted is He above whatever they associate with Him.

- Where on earth did the Jews ever say that Ezra was the son of Allah?
- Why don't we take it a bit further and ask, where on earth did the Jews say that Ezra was the son of **Elohim**? There is no such thing in human history!
- Again, Jesus was not the son of Allah. Allah does not exist in the Bible or anywhere else.
- Please, show me where the Christian took scholars and monks as gods?
- Yes, I agree. We were commanded to worship one God. Who says it should be the pagan Arabian Moon god Allah? The Bible was quite clear for more than 4000 years; Elohim (Trinity) is God!

Just look at the misconception Muhammad had about the Trinity.

5: (116) And [beware the Day] when Allah will say, "**O Jesus, Son of Mary, did you say to the people, 'Take me and my mother as deities besides Allah?'**" He will say, "Exalted are You! It was not for me to say that to which I have no right. If I had said it, You would have known it. You know what is within myself, and I do not know what is within Yourself. Indeed, it is You who is Knower of the unseen.

- Never did the Christian take Mary as God in the place of Elohim.
- If for some reason a Muslim scholar would answer that this was not Allah that said it, but Christians that said Mary was a god and Allah merely asked Jesus if he told them to worship Mary, then the Muslim scholar should give us the evidence where the Bible made that claim!

Allah lied to everyone!

But the best evidence that the Quran is nothing more than mere blasphemy against its own god, Allah, is found in the following verse.

4: (157) And [for] their saying, "Indeed, we have killed the Messiah, Jesus, the son of Mary, the messenger of Allah." **And they did not kill him, nor did they crucify him; but [another] was made to resemble him to them.** And indeed, those who differ over it are in doubt about it. They have no knowledge of it except the following of assumption. And they did not kill him, for certain.

Just look at this evidence to the shameful character of Allah.

Here we hear the words of Allah where he admits that the Writers of the Gospels were truthful in their recording of the crucifixion of Jesus. Allah says that they did see Jesus died on the cross, but it was not Jesus because he, Allah himself, made it to appear to everyone that Jesus died there!

In better words, Allah deceived everyone in thinking that Jesus died being crucified!

He made something such as a hologram representing Jesus. Some Muslim scholars even claim that Judas Iscariot was crucified in the place of Jesus!

The fact is, how can anyone expect me believe Muhammad who arrived 600 years after Jesus and claimed that I should believe him because he is a prophet of a god; who deceived Christians for 600 years in believing that Jesus was crucified.

Just think for a moment about the following facts:

- Jesus' mother, brothers and sisters as well as the apostles and priests witnessed the whole crucifixion. They did not notice anything wrong.
- Jesus himself is now made a conspirator of one of the biggest acts of fraud ever concocted in the Universe by god! Where was Jesus if Allah says he was not crucified? Did he stand idly by and laughed at the Christians that saw Him dying on the Cross?
- Can any Muslim accept that his Quran is correct in making a claim that Jesus participated in fraud rendering the Bible true, and on those grounds claim that the Bible is wrong?

Allah attests that the Bible is true!

Even though the Muslim scholar hates the Bible and claims that the Jews and Christians corrupted and changed it to the extent that only few words and narrations can be trusted, their god Allah and his holy book the Quran never says anything in support of that notion. On the contrary, the Quran actually informs the Muslim to accept the Torah (5 books of Moses), Zabur (The Psalms), and the Injill (Gospel) as true and uncorrupted.

The question now arrives, if the Bible is true according to Allah, but it differs in every aspect of what Allah revealed to Muhammad in the Quran, which revelation is true? The Quran is in total contradiction to what the Bible says. Superficially it might recall some stories and names from the Bible, but in essence it opposes everything contained in the Christian scripture. The reason for this anomaly, Muhammad maintained that the Bible was correct and unchanged at the time of his life and he mistakenly thought everything he heard from different religions could be used as a revelation from God. He even claimed that his name was prophesied within the pages of the Bible. Remember, Muhammad could not read or write and listened to the Jews and Christians on what they taught the Arabs around him. Now, if a man was under the impression that he was God's prophet, and his name appears in the Bible as a coming prophet, he would definitely never have accused the Bible of being corrupted and changed by the hands of humans.

However, each and every Muslim scholar claims that the Bible we have in our hands today is not the Bible that God "revealed" originally. Even Yusuf Ismail said that the Gospels can never be considered as the "Gospel of Jesus". Some translators of the Quran even adds the words, " (of Jesus that is now lost)" behind the word "Gospel".

But, guess what, every Muslim that believes in their Quran and a revelation from God, will have to explain why they consider the Bible as false and corrupted, when Muhammad did not!

- ❖ In the following aya's from the Quran we see that even Allah says that he sent the Torah to Moses. Allah then sent to Jesus the Gospel to confirm what was written in the Torah. He then ends off in telling Muhammad that he sent the Quran to confirm what is written in the Torah and Gospel!

Q 5: 44 Indeed, **We sent down the Torah**, in which was guidance and light. The **prophets** who submitted **judged by it for the Jews**, as did the rabbis and scholars by that with which they were entrusted of the Scripture of Allah, and they were witnesses thereto. So do not fear the people but fear Me, and do not exchange My verses for a small price. And whoever does not judge by what Allah has revealed - then it is those who are the disbelievers. (44)

Q 5: 46 **And We sent**, following in their footsteps, **Jesus**, the son of Mary, **confirming that which came before him in the Torah; and We gave him the Gospel**, in which was guidance and light and **confirming that which preceded it of the Torah** as guidance and instruction for the righteous. (46)

Q 5: 47 And **let the People of the Gospel judge by what Allah has revealed therein**. And whoever does not judge by what Allah has revealed - then it is those who are the defiantly disobedient. (47)

Q 5: 48 And We have revealed to you, [O Muhammad], the **Book in truth, confirming that which preceded it of the Scripture and as a criterion over it.** So judge between them by what Allah has revealed and do not follow their inclinations away from what has come to you of the truth...

- ❖ Muhammad was so sure that the Torah and Gospel was the exact same as he preached, he demanded that the Christians follow their scriptures!

Q 5: 68 Say, "**O People of the Scripture**, you are [standing] on nothing **until you uphold** [the law of] the **Torah, the Gospel**, and what has been revealed to you from your Lord." And that which has been revealed to you from your Lord will surely increase many of them in transgression and disbelief. So do not grieve over the disbelieving people. (68)

- ❖ Muhammad really thought this revelation he called the Quran was exactly the same as the revelations of old and that it confirmed "what was before it"!

Q 6: 92 And **this is a Book which We have sent down**, blessed and **confirming what was before it**, that you may warn the Mother of Cities and those around it. Those who believe in the Hereafter believe in it, and they are maintaining their prayers. (92)

- ❖ Allah never claimed that the Gospel was corrupted; he even told Muhammad that he gave Jesus the Gospel.

Q 57: 27 Then **We** sent following their footsteps Our messengers and followed [them] with **Jesus**, the son of Mary, and **gave him the Gospel.** ... (27)

- ❖ As we can see, Muhammad started to get disconcerted with the Jews and Christians' refusal in accepting the Quran. They even told him they don't believe the Quran, but that they believe what was revealed to them, the Torah and Gospel.
- ❖ Again, Muhammad was sure that the Quran was "**the truth confirming that which is with them**".

Q 2:91 And when it is said to them, "Believe in what Allah has revealed," they say, "**We believe [only] in what was revealed to us.**" And **they disbelieve in what came after it**, while it is the truth confirming that which is with them. Say, "Then why did you kill the prophets of Allah before, if you are [indeed] believers?"

- ❖ Again, we see that the Quran clearly states that the Quran came to confirm the scripture (Torah and Gospel) that preceded it.

Q 3: 3 He has sent down upon you, [O Muhammad], the Book in truth, **confirming what was before it.** And He revealed the **Torah and the Gospel.** (3)

Q 3: 4 Before, as guidance for the people. And He revealed the Qur'an. Indeed, those who disbelieve in the verses of Allah will have a severe punishment, and Allah is exalted in Might, the Owner of Retribution. (4)

Q 4 :136 O you who have believed, believe in Allah and His Messenger and the Book that He sent down upon His Messenger **and the Scripture which He sent down before.** And whoever disbelieves in Allah, His angels, **His books**, His messengers, and the Last Day has certainly gone far astray. (136)

- ❖ Muhammad actually always attempted to regard the Torah and Gospel as a revelation from Allah. He continuously made a statement that the Quran “confirmed of what was before it”. Who are the Muslims to question their prophet and Allah?

Q 12: 111 There was certainly in their stories a lesson for those of understanding. **Never was the Qur'an a narration invented, but a confirmation of what was before it** and a detailed explanation of all things and guidance and mercy for a people who believe.

- ❖ Here we find that Muhammad even gives the names of people that received Allah’s revelations. He really thought Abraham, Moses and Jesus received the same words as he received from Allah!

Q 2 136 Say, [O believers], "We have believed in **Allah** and what has been **revealed** to us and **what has been revealed to Abraham and Ishmael and Isaac and Jacob and the Descendants** and what was given to **Moses and Jesus** and what was given to the prophets from their Lord. We make no distinction between any of them, and we are Muslims [in submission] to Him."

Q 3: 84 Say, "We have believed in Allah and in what was revealed to us and what was revealed to Abraham, Ishmael, Isaac, Jacob, and the Descendants, and in what was given to Moses and Jesus and to the prophets from their Lord. We make no distinction between any of them, and we are Muslims [submitting] to Him."

- ❖ The following verse was the one that made me realize that I can never be a person believing in the Quran as a revelation from YHWH.
- ❖ Just look at how Allah admits that he has no power to give a sign that he is the God of the Universe.
- ❖ All Allah could do was to refer the Muslims to the Bible so they could read what YHWH gave as “Signs” that He, YHWH is God!
- ❖ Now Allah attempts to rob those signs from the Bible to plagiarize it as his handiwork!

Q 20: 133 And they say, "Why does he not bring us a sign from his Lord?" Has there not come to them **evidence of what was in the former scriptures?**

Q 26: 192 And indeed, the Qur'an is the revelation of the Lord of the worlds. (192)
 The Trustworthy Spirit has brought it down (193)
 Upon your heart, [O Muhammad] - that you may be of the warners - (194)
 In a clear Arabic language. (195)
 And indeed, it is [mentioned] **in the scriptures of former peoples.** (196)
 And **has it not been a sign to them that it is recognized by the scholars of the Children of Israel?** (197)

- ❖ Now, this is where it gets interesting. Muhammad really thought he was mentioned in the Torah, Psalms, and Gospel! How would he ever have contradicted his opinion in a declaration that the Torah, Gospel and psalms was corrupted?

Q 7: 157 Those who follow the **Messenger**, the unlettered prophet, **whom they find written in what they have of the Torah and the Gospel**, who enjoins upon them what is right and forbids them what is wrong and makes lawful for them the good things and prohibits for them the evil and relieves them of their burden and the shackles which were upon them. So they who have believed in him, honored him, supported him and followed the light which was sent down with him - it is those who will be the successful. (157)

- ❖ If I had to choose one verse from the Quran that I should consider as an authoritative instruction to Muslims, it is the following aya.
- ❖ Listen to the implications. Allah says, if Muslims are in doubt about the revelations from him, the Muslims should go and ask those people who have been reading the Scriptures before them. This is the Christians he is speaking about.
- ❖ Come Muslims, come home! Come and ask the Christian about the Bible!

Q 10: 94 **So if you are in doubt**, [O Muhammad], about that which We have revealed to you, **then ask those who have been reading the Scripture before you**. The truth has certainly come to you from your Lord, so never be among the doubters. (94)

- ❖ And why don't we end off on the highest note in Comparative religion?
- ❖ Just look at how Allah tells all the Muslims that they should not argue with the Christians.
- ❖ Allah then ends of in another attempt to rob YHWH of His identity in a claim that the God of the Bible and he is one and the same God!
- ❖ **Well, I still have to find a single Muslim that will send only one prayer to YHWH, instead of using the name Allah. They all refuse to do that!**

Q 29: 46 And **do not argue with the People of the Scripture except in a way that is best**, except for those who commit injustice among them, and say, "We believe in that which has been revealed to us and revealed to you. **And our God and your God is one**; and we are Muslims [in submission] to Him." (46)

The Trinity explained from the Quran.

I thought it would be beneficial to scrutinize the descriptions from the Muslim scholar's source of their understanding of God; the Quran. If, as the Muslim scholar claims, the Quran was a revelation to mankind by the mouth of Muhammad from the same God as the one Abraham, Isaac and Jacob worshipped, then the Author of the Quran should identify Himself with the God of the Old Testament. Yet Allah fails to achieve such identification.

Nevertheless, if we read the description about Jesus and the Trinity from the Quran, as we discussed in the previous paragraphs, and if it doesn't conform to what the Torah preaches, we would obviously have to discard one or the other. Therefore, we should ask the question; "Where will we find the original description of the Trinity?"

Will it be in some church sermon?

What about the Council of Nicea?

Will it only be mentioned for the first time in the writings of the Church Fathers?

Or will it be in the writings of Jews such as Philo and Josephus?

Shall we rather consider the Targum Onkelos, or Ben Uzziel, or Jerusalem as the first source of the Trinity?

What about the New Testament? Should we demand that the description on the Trinity is found in the Gospels and writings of the Apostles?

No, no, no...!

Never shall the root of the Trinity be found in any of these sources!

Why, because all these manuscripts and writings only confirm what the Old Testament reveals about God! We will find the character and description on God only in the Old Testament. The New Testament confirms that which was written in its predecessor.

Think wisely now, Where does all the Words spoken by Jesus originate from?

What books did Jesus quote, read, teach, and so forth?

He taught from the Old Testament and even claimed to be the Word of God! Well, the Word is the Old Testament, period!

This is where wisdom now prevails!

Will we find the Trinity in the Quran? Can we even think to take council from the Quran?

Considering the evidence in the above, it should never be done.

Regard the following statement as a fact:

We have one single choice, The Identification of God should be found in only one Holy Book. Either the Bible, or the Quran! Allah in the Quran is a different God than the Trinity in the Old Testament! Which one will we discard? That is the choice for you to make!

Allow me to end off with a terrible mistake Muhammad made in his description of god. We find it in the following passage in the Quran.

Q 66: 12 And, Mary, 'Imran's daughter, who guarded her chastity so **We breathed into her of Our Spirit (Gabriel)**; and she put her trust in the Words of her Lord and His Books, and was among the devout. (Hasan Al- Fatih Quarribullah translation into English)

Q 66: 12 And the example of Maryam the daughter of Imran, who guarded her chastity – We therefore breathed **into her a Spirit from Ourselves** – and she testified for the Words of her Lord and His Books, and was among the obedient. (Ahmed Raza Kahn English Translation)

Q 66: 12 And [the example of] Mary, the daughter of 'Imran, who guarded her chastity, so **We blew into [her garment] through Our angel**, and she believed in the words of her Lord and His scriptures and was of the devoutly obedient. (Sahee International English Translation)

I gave 3 different translations to demonstrate my point on the predicament the Muslims have in their denial of the Trinity. Look closely to the different names given for the identity of “What or Who” breathed into Mary when Jesus was “created”. Most translations says it was “Our Spirit” meaning the “Spirit of Allah”. Then we have some translations changing this identification to “Our Angel”, whilst another even dares to place the name “Gabriel” in parenthesis to create the idea that this “Spirit of Allah” was nothing more than an Angel or a spiritual being that had nothing to do with Allah.

Why may we ask would the |Muslim translator have difficulty with the idea that the “Spirit of Allah” created Jesus? Simply because the very idea that some particle of Allah would be able to leave the existence of Allah in heaven, depart to earth and create Jesus, can be perceived as Allah having two embodyments. Allah, the father in heaven, and Allah’s Spirit that can leave his existence to act as a creator separately from Allah in heaven!

Well, well, well...! Here we have the catch 22 the Muslim can never escape from. The name “Gabriel” is not to be found in the Arabic, neither the word “Angel”.

Therefore, the “Spirit of Allah” is... well the Spirit of Allah!

Here we have it, this description of Allah and Allah’s Spirit is the exact same understanding I have from the Bible about YHWH (the Father) and YHWH Ruach (the Spirit of YHWH)!

In other words, the quran does give the explanation that the Spirit of Allah can leave the embodiment of Allah in heaven, come to the earth and create! This means that Allah has at least two parts in his composition and the one part, his Spirit can leave Allah without the demise of Allah himself.

Well, in conclusion; this is what I believe about the Trinity. God is the Father, YHWH. His Spirit can leave His empodyment without YHWH dying! YHWH's Spirit is YHWH Himself but can act seperatly from YHWH in creating! The same with the Wisdom of YHWH. This Wisdom is also called the Word of YHWH. This Word proceeds from YHWH without YHWH dying and can come to the earth, be born from a women, grow up to be a human man, can be killed like a man, but the Word of YHWH cannot die!

This is how Jesus came to earth and took the body of a human whilst he was still in spirit; nothing less than God and in flesh; nothing more than a man.

In this document I hope I achieved to prove beyond doubt that the Trinity never originated from paganism or any other source except from the Old Testament. I proved that all the allegations and attacks that the Trinity was a concoction by Paul or even Constantine the Great, is mere wishful thinking and mischievous slander. I proved that the Quran not only have a misguided understanding of the Trinity, but that the very notion that the Quran discards the Trinity as idolatry, proves that Allah has no relation to the God of the Bible.

I hope the research I made into these attacks against Jesus Christ, God the Father and His Holy Spirit, also proves that the very same attacks are totally superficial and mere masquerading on the part of the Muslim scholar to venerate his Quran and prophet.

This will however not be the end of the story!