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A Biblical Discernment in the Little Season

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## Introduction

In the little season of deception (Revelation 20:7–8), the dragon—Satan, the ancient serpent (Revelation 12:9)—works to deceive the nations through counterfeit gods and twisted truths. The name "Allah" in Islam, presented as the one true God, has deep pre-Islamic roots in Arabian paganism. This article discerns biblically, examining historical evidence of Allah's origins as a deity among many in pre-Islamic Arabia, connected to lunar gods and polytheistic worship. We make no judgment on individuals but expose deceit as Scripture commands (Ephesians 5:11: "Have nothing to do with the fruitless deeds of darkness, but rather expose them"). The strong statement is this: Allah is not the God of the Bible, Yahweh, but a pre-Islamic pagan deity repackaged in monotheistic form—a dragon's counterfeit leading billions astray from the true Savior, Jesus Christ.

## Historical Origins of Allah

The word "Allah" (الله) predates Islam by centuries, originating in pre-Islamic Arabia (Jahiliyyah period, "Age of Ignorance"). It derives from "al-ilah" (the god), a compound of "al" (the definite article) and "ilah" (a god or deity), as noted by historians like Hitti (*History of the Arabs*, p. 100). In ancient Arabic inscriptions, "Allah" appears in South Arabian texts from the 5th century B.C., such as Lihyanite and Safaitic scripts, where it refers to a supreme but not exclusive deity (*Encyclopaedia of Islam*, "Allah").

Pre-Islamic Arabs recognized Allah as a high god in a polytheistic pantheon. He was worshipped alongside 360 idols in the Kaaba in Mecca, including Hubal, al-Lat, al-Uzza, and Manat (Quran 53:19–20, the "Satanic Verses" incident). According to Ibn al-Kalbi's *Book of Idols*, Allah was the "Lord of the Kaaba" but not the only god; tribes invoked him as creator while bowing to lesser deities (Hitti, p. 100–101). This is supported by archaeological finds, such as the al-'Ula inscriptions mentioning "HLH" (Hallah, a form of Allah) as a lunar-associated deity.

## Deities Connected to Allah

Allah was not invented by Muhammad but adapted from existing pagan gods. Historical and archaeological evidence links Allah to several pre-Islamic deities:

1. **Hubal (Chief Deity of the Kaaba):** Hubal was the principal idol in Mecca's Kaaba, a red carnelian statue with a golden hand. Some scholars (e.g., Morey, *The Moon-god Allah in the Archeology of the Middle East*) argue Hubal was an alias for Allah, as Quraysh (Muhammad's tribe) called Hubal "al-ilah" (the god). Hubal was a lunar god, connected to moon worship in Harran and Ur (ancient Mesopotamia). Pre-Islamic poetry from Jahiliyyah confirms this: Arabs swore by "Allah and Hubal" as one entity (Nazir Ali, p. 26).
  
2. **Sin/Nannar (Moon God):** Allah's pre-Islamic form is tied to Sin, the Mesopotamian moon god worshipped in Ur (Abraham's hometown, Genesis 11:31). Sin was "Lord of the Heavens," and his symbol—a crescent moon—appears in Arabian artifacts. Winckler (1901) first proposed Allah as a lunar deity, supported by Lihyanite inscriptions (5th century B.C.) where "HLH" (Hallah/Allah) is lunar-linked. The Quran's rejection of moon worship (Quran 41:37) implies pre-Islamic association. Pagan Arabs believed Allah was married to the sun goddess, with al-Lat, al-Uzza, and Manat as daughters (Encyclopaedia of Islam, "Allah").
  
3. **Al-Lah (Syrian Influence):** In Nabataean and South Arabian inscriptions (e.g., Minaean from al-'Ula), "Al-Lah" appears as a supreme creator god, borrowed from Aramaic "Elah" (God). But in Arabia, he was syncretized with local idols. Josephus notes Arabs circumcised in honor of "Al-Lah," linking to pagan rituals (Hitti, p. 100). This "high god" was not monotheistic but head of a pantheon.

4. **Ilmaqah (Sabean Moon God):** In South Arabia (Yemen), Ilmaqah was a moon deity with bull horns and crescent symbols. Some connect "Ilah" (root of Allah) to Ilmaqah, as Sabean trade influenced Mecca (Peters, *Muhammad and the Origins of Islam*).
5. **Other Connections:** Allah was invoked in peril (Quran 31:24) by pagans, but as a distant "unknown god" (like Acts 17:23). Tribes like Quraysh saw him as creator but worshipped intermediaries (Quran 39:3). This polytheistic setup was "monotheistic" repackaged by Muhammad, retaining the name but stripping idols.

### **The Deceit: A Dragon's Counterfeit**

Islam's Allah is a pre-Islamic pagan deity, manipulated into a counterfeit of the biblical Yahweh. This is Satan's deceit — repackaging moon gods like Hubal/Sin/Ilmaqah as the "one true God" to lead billions away from Jesus Christ, the only Savior (Acts 4:12). The Bible warns of such false gods (Deuteronomy 32:17 — demons, not God). Pre-Islamic Allah was a lunar idol in the Kaaba, married to the sun, with star-daughters — a trinity of counterfeits mimicking the true Triune God. Muhammad "purified" it but kept the name, deceiving Arabs into thinking it was Abraham's God (Genesis 17:1 — El Shaddai, not Allah). This is the dragon's strategy (2 Corinthians 11:14 — disguises as angel of light), blending truth with lie to create a beast system (Revelation 13:2 — dragon gives power to beast). The Quran's denial (Quran 53:19–23) of al-Lat, al-Uzza, Manat confirms their connection to Allah as "daughters."

Biblical discernment: Yahweh is personal (Exodus 3:14 — I AM), relational (John 3:16), incarnate in Christ (John 1:1–14). Allah is distant, unknowable, without a Son — a counterfeit denying the cross (1 John 4:3 — antichrist spirit). History shows Islam

conquered pre-Islamic pagan sites (Kaaba cleansed but kept), absorbing deities while claiming monotheism — deceitful syncretism (Jeremiah 10:5 — idols are scarecrows).

### **Biblical Hope: The True God Calls**

The Bible condemns idolatry (Exodus 20:3) but offers hope: Turn from counterfeits to the living God (Acts 17:30). Jesus is the way (John 14:6) — His blood cleanses from all deceit (1 John 1:7).

**Prayer** Lord Jesus Christ, Name above all names, thank You for unveiling every deceit. Protect from counterfeits, draw hearts to You alone. Come quickly — let every knee bow to Your name.

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The dragon's deceit is exposed — the Lamb reigns supreme!