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I have been researching and reading about Islam. Naturally, I've begun to read the Qur'an, also. My curiosity is, at least, 2 fold:

**A.** I'm intrigued by the recent outbreak of Islamic vilification. It used to be the Catholic Church that took all of the heat, but, now, with the string of wars, Islam

and 'the Middle East' have become the new in vogue demons. I just finished reading the most stupid biblical interpretation for Islam being the new "beast" of Yochannan's Revelation I have ever seen. Misery loves company. ---> ([Hope this works.](#))

**B.** My studies have shown me that every religion on the planet that is based in an ancient culture or civilization, if studied in depth, will lead back to the Creator and possess, in its pure form, the basic requirements of true faith. This is never intentionally done by those who proclaim the particular religious system, however, Yahowah Alaha is never without testimony. Our natural inclination is towards freedom and liberation. Given the right circumstances and opportunity, which is what they never want us have, we will revolt against all artificial systems and attempt to move towards our natural state. Religious systems are designed to maintain control. Whether they be Christian, Muslim, Jew, Hindu, Hebrew Israelite, etc.; someone is attempting to withhold some information in order to gain/maintain control. I'm looking into the matter in order to see what can be seen.

## Allah, Alaha, Allaha...

☪ "...as being the proper name of the Divine Being and not having any equivalent in any other language..."<sup>1</sup>

☪ "Cognates of the name "Allah" exist in other Semitic languages including Hebrew and Aramaic. The corresponding Aramaic for Allah is Elaha in biblical Aramaic and Alaha or Aloho in Syriac."<sup>2</sup>

☪ "The moon god was also referred to as 'al-ilah.' This is not a proper name of a single specific god, but a generic reference meaning 'the god.' Each local pagan Arab tribe would refer to their own local tribal pagan god as 'al-ilah.'"<sup>3</sup> "'al-ilah' was later shortened to Allah before Muhammad began promoting his new religion in 610 AD."<sup>3</sup>

☪ "The word Eloah is the singular (or dual) of Elohim and appears more than 70 times in the Tanakh, primarily in more poetic passages. The root-meaning of



the word is unknown. It is generally thought that the same divine name is found in Arabic (Ilah as singular 'a god', as opposed to Allah meaning 'The God' or 'God') and in Aramaic (Elah).<sup>4</sup>

☪ "Allah" in Arabic is "Elaw" in Aramaic. The Jews and Christians before Islam called GOD Almighty as "Allah" in the Middle East. "Allah" means the



GOD Almighty that is above all gods (idols, humans, etc...). "Elaw" in Aramaic means "God" or "GOD", and it means the same thing that the Arabic "Allah" means.<sup>5</sup>

☪ In Aramaic, Alaha is the equivalent of Eloah in Hebrew, or the singular form of Elohim.<sup>6</sup>

This information concerning the origins and meaning of the name Allah is vast and contradictory. It is a web of confusion due to its highly politicized nature. Christian, Muslim, Jew...all have a stake in proving or disproving the validity of this name. With such intense personal investment in a topic, what is the likelihood that anyone will tell us the truth? What is a person left to do? Get sick of it and walk away. This is the solution.

## Hanif.

It's the solution because it was done hundreds of years before the existence of Muhammad. Also, it has its foundation in the revelation of Abraham/Ibrahim. Amidst the Jews, Christians, and pantheists of Muhammad's day existed a group of monotheists that worshipped the Creator, as understood and revealed to Abraham, with the message being carried forth by his son Ishmael/Ismail. Amongst this people group, some would be identified as "Nasara" or Nazarenes, an ancient faith based on the teachings of YahShua/Isa.

The Hanif or Hunafa or Hanifiyyah, the name meaning "to incline/to decline," can claim a heritage older than Judaism and Christianity. They engaged in the act of *tahannafa*, the turning away from idolatry and becoming circumsised. This is the ancient faith of Abraham/Ibrahim.<sup>7</sup>

Islam attempts to lay claim to the title of Hanif for themselves as the true followers and promoters of monotheism, however, evidence to the contrary shows their prior existence and possible influence upon the prophet himself. Even the reference to Abraham/Ibrahim being neither Jew nor Christian, but Hanif isn't translated or commented upon in the Qur'ans in my possession.<sup>8</sup>

The Hunafa were easily eliminated or subjugated due to their lack of organizational structure. Is it possible to resurrect their understanding?

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1 Maulana Muhammad Ali, Commentary from The Holy Qur'an, Surah 1, note b

2 <http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Allah>

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5 [http://www.quransearch.com/allah\\_god\\_name.htm](http://www.quransearch.com/allah_god_name.htm)

6 [http://www.yourarmstoisrael.org/Articles\\_new/notes/Aramaic\\_Deity\\_Discoveries.php](http://www.yourarmstoisrael.org/Articles_new/notes/Aramaic_Deity_Discoveries.php)

7 <http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Hanif>

8 Surah 3:67