God, Devil and Christ in the Mesopotamian stories

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Mesopotamian texts

There is a large number of highly interesting texts written in cuneiform characters on clay plates found at various locations in the Mesopotamian countries. The creation of the worlds is told in a Babylonian text called *Enûma Eliš*¹, after the two first words in it. It tells about the primordial creator pair Apsû and Ti'âmat, who created various gods, the first ones were Mummu, Lahmu and Lahamu, Anshar and Kishar, then <u>Anu</u> (with several consorts) and from him Ea = Enki (Nudimmud) and his wife Damkina, as well as his brother Enlil. Anu and the following gods were so "noisy" that Apsû felt very disturbed by their behavior and considered reversing their creation. Ti'âmat did not want that to happen, since she, after all, was their primordial mother. They then killed Apsû and planned to also attack Ti'âmat, wherefore she had to prepare her defense. The god Marduk was then created, who became a warrior and after a long and intensive fight killed Ti'âmat. Now the Anunnaki, the gods created after Anu, took the power over their section of the creation.

It is, of course, not possible that they could kill the primordial creators of the whole universe and of themselves. The true meaning will be that they turned their backs to them and told their people that the creators would be dead, so as to motivate to live as if these would no more exist. Thus, they formed a separate region in the universe, a kind of enclave, in which they lived as if they were alone². These Anunnaki later came to the Earth and "created" humans here – not out of primordial energy, as a *real creation* would be, but rather "fabricated" through genetic manipulation of existing life forms. The two main gods who took possession of the Earth to rule over it were Enlil and Enki.

This does not mean that the Mesopotamian religion is truly polytheistic, since there is one but in a way double primordial creator mentioned, who appears as both male (Apsû) and female (Ti'âmat), like two aspects of a nearly androgynous highest creator (the female aspect is the "birthgiving" creative force). The other gods are secondary gods, intermediate entities between us humans and the godhead. Analogously, Christianity could otherwise be viewed as at least semi-polytheistic, with a whole assembly of God, the Holy Spirit, Christ and a multitude of angels above us. An important fact is that ethnologists and linguists have given hard evidence of the fact that our Bible is to a major extent (in the Pentateuch) based on Mesopotamian texts, being abbreviated and modified. The Bible begins with the creation of the Earth and the humans. *Enûma Eliš* begins earlier with the original creation itself and thus contains a part missing in the Bible.

¹ Do not pay too much attention to descriptions like "sea water", "salt water", "sweet water", "abyss" etc., since such ideas were established by early ethnologists with a purely materialistic view and no understanding of spiritual levels of existence. What in the translations is called "water" will be *energetic realms* beyond our three-dimensional world, unimaginable to early and contemporary ethnologists, who within their limited worldview tried to make a sense out of the text.

² This allows for the possibility of other "enclaves" besides the one of the Anunnaki, which – if we take the story as having a basic reality and not as just a myth – could explain the existence of other extraterrestrials not mentioned in the clay plate libraries and probably not known to the Mesopotamian population.

Anton Parks³ has written a very interesting book *Eden*, in which he translates ancient Mesopotamian texts in a manner that in various ways is quite different from what many scholars of Mesopotamian languages have so far done. What is of interest here is how he describes the Anunnaki gods Enki and Enlil.

Enlil does not love the human race, but *despises* it. He is a "lord of rage" and humans are to him no more than animals. According to Parks, Enki is actually his father (p. 77-78) and not, as is generally assumed, his brother. Enlil is said to have played this game to make him appear at least equal to then one, who actually was his father. This interesting information deviates from the common view of Enki and Enlil, but is based on a Sumerian text that says "Enlil, as the father who begot you, Enki with Ninki [Damkina], I say to you a prayer in my favor." This could, however in a reversed interpretation mean that Enlil is the father "! Depending on who is the one speaking.

Enki is in any case a *friend* of humanity, sometimes also called a "serpent." Enki bears secrets of the gods, which humans should not know (p. 100). He is a lord of knowledge, and he did, however, transgress the prohibition and to the humans reveal certain secrets that should have been kept.

Parks, translating Sumerian texts, interprets the "tree of knowledge" and its fruits as referring to certain *tools*, since the Sumerian word *ğiš* that is here translated as "tree" can also mean "tool" (p. 146). A knife or ax, for example, has a wooden grip, like a piece of tree (branch) with a piece of metal as "fruit"... allegedly as a kind of pun involving two very similar Sumerian words: *búru* (tool; plundering) and *buru* (fruit of a tree). However, at this point, the association of the "tree" (and its fruits) with metal tools certainly appears far-fetched!

Enki thus taught the humans about a "chisel" and that scared the gods since it could be turned into a weapon. But the word *búru*, here translated as "chisel", can also with a somewhat different sense mean "plundering", and the gods complained that Enki made the humans enjoy their destiny and develop a taste for luxury (p. 147-149), thus expanding their destiny each time Enki taught them something new, the worst treason being that he taught how to use metals.

Further translated texts (the following pages), however, do support the idea that metallurgy in the hands of humans would be of a main concern for the gods. However, this will in my opinion be in a much wider sense than merely a knife or an axe... and comparisons with some other translations seem to indicate that the translation "metal" may not be without alternatives.⁵

The Tree of Wisdom

Parks on page 191 displays a remarkable mistake in claiming that the "tree of knowledge" would in the Bible be called "éts iada" ('étz yad'a), whereas it in Genesis is actually called 'étz ha-da'at, more exactly meaning "tree of wisdom". Yad'a אַבָּי would here fit his alternative interpretation as something like "tree of penetration" of the corresponding Sumerian text that he associates with "penetrative tool", such as "knife", since the word has mainly two meanings: 1. knowledge and 2. sexual intercourse (penetration) – cf. Gen 4:1: "Now Adam knew (yad'a) Eve his wife and she conceived and bore Cain." But it simply is not the word used here! There is no 'etz yad'a mentioned in the Bible. Da'at אַבַּעַת does not have the alternative meaning of "intercourse" or any other penetrative action. It has since ancient times been a wishful and politically useful interpretation to associate the tree with sexuality, but da'at does not offer this interpretation. The conclusion in the Biblical context can only be that YHWH forbade acquiring wisdom, knowing too much, especially about whatever secrets. In the Mesopotamian context, things look a bit different, since there are certain texts, which indicate that Enki instructed Adam and Eve in how to reproduce themselves.

³ Anton Parks: *Eden, la vérité sur nos origines*, Éditions Nouvelle Terre, L'Operec (France), 2011. 272 pages.

⁴ Cf. http://www.halexandria-foundation.org/forums/viewtopic.php?f=16&t=235, where the reversed relationship is brought to discussion.

⁵ Such as George A. Barton: *Miscellaneous Babylonian Inscriptions*, Yale University Press, 1918.

Who are Enki and Enlil?

So who are Enki and Enlil? There can, for various reasons given by Parks and others, be little doubt that Enlil is the one who is called YHWH in the Bible. But who, then, is the more benevolent Enki? It has been claimed that he could be Lucifer... in that case distinguished from Satan.

However, *šatam* in Sumerian means grand administrator of the regions of the gods and is, therefore, an epithet of Enlil. Now things are becoming a bit confusing...

Parks claims that the name Satan could also be derived from a Hebrew word that means "hate" (p. 106), which is not confirmed. The Hebrew word satan שָׁטָּר means "adversary." "Hate" is san'a שֵׁנָא in Hebrew and could hardly be connected with satan.

Another interesting book is *Slave Species of the Gods*, written by Michael Tellinger. When writing about Enki, he draws not little from Sitchin's *The Lost Book of Enki*, which Parks regards as more or less fiction (p. 90), since Sitchin never presented references to identifiable sources. Therefore, Parks considers his claimed source to be invented, since no such text is known. This judgment appears well motivated and that book of Sitchin should probably not be taken very seriously. One further reason for suspicion is that Sitchin in his book tells a modified version of the Babylonian creation story *Enûma Eliš*, in which he downplays the "murder" of the primordial Gods Apsû and Ti'âmat, committed by the Anunnaki (see above).

Tellinger writes about Enlil (p. 405) that he had been opposed to "creating" humans on the Earth and that he had wanted them to be eliminated by the great flood. Since, however – through intervention by Enki, as Mesopotamian clay plates tell – a number of humans had survived, he intended to regain control over them by means of fear and strong-handed dictatorial tactics. He would be their god and rule through intimidation and bloodthirsty violence. He wanted to keep humanity uneducated, ignorant and stupid, so that they would obey and not ask too many questions (p. 409). Since he took rank over Enki, he felt free to do as he wanted with the latter's human "creation". The disagreement between them made him label Enki as a serpent and a devil and forbid consorting with him. Enki did, however, in many ways teach humanity in an attempt to uplift it, transgressing a prohibition.

In the Gnostic creation story <u>The Apokryphon of John</u>, it is told that the very first entity, the primordial God, was an incomprehensible and immeasurable Light that existed before anything else. In him appeared an invisible and virginal female spirit, the Holy Spirit (cf. Apsû and Ti'âmat). Out these creative entities Barbelo formed. Through them appeared Christ, the Autogenes (the one "born out of himself"). Further down in stages of creation, Sophia (Wisdom) appeared. She willed a likeness to appear from within herself without the approval of the Spirit, and her thought manifested as an incomplete male entity <u>Yaldabaoth</u>, created in ignorance, that shocked her by its unpleasant appearance. She, therefore, put him away from her and hid him in a luminous cloud, from where he escaped and for himself created another aeon inside a blaze of luminous fire, which still exists. This became a dark region, in which he made his own creations, to rule over them and that region.

The Gnostic texts clearly talk about Yaldabaoth as being identical to the one called YHWH, who rules in arrogance and cruelty and with a power in the creation that can rather be called satanic. He claimed to be the only god and that there could be no other god than him.

This parallels with the Mesopotamian creation stories, where the first Anunnaki turned away from their creators and claimed that there would be no god (since the primordial creators allegedly were dead), and with Enlil as an arrogant and cruel ruler wanting to be god himself, but who despises the humans.

The Bible and other texts claim that Satan was a proud and arrogant angel that considered himself to be more than God, for which he was cast out of the divine light world to fall in a darker region. This also parallels with the claims in various texts that YHWH and Satan would actually be one, so

⁶ Michael Tellinger: Slave Species of the Gods, Bear & Co., Rochester VT, 2012, 565 pages.

⁷ Zecharia Sitchin: *The Lost Book of Enki*, Bear & Co., Rochester VT, 2002.

⁸ Maybe the prohibition to eat from "tree of wisdom" can be seen as forbidding to access her knowledge.

that Satan can be understood as a hidden face of YHWH. Thus, YHWH plays this game for deception and a Machiavellian split to introduce a conflict that is not a real one, since both YHWHists and Satanists would unknowingly be striving for the same end.

As concerns the "tree of knowledge" and the "snake", <u>The Apokryphon of John</u> has the following interesting section:

"But what they call the tree of knowledge of good and evil, which is the Epinoia of the light, they [the rulers] stayed in front of it in order that he (Adam) might not look up to his fullness and recognize the nakedness of his shamefulness. But it was I [Jesus/Christ] who brought about that they ate."

And I [John] said to the Savior, 'Lord, was it not the snake who taught Adam so that he would eat?'

The Savior laughed and said, 'The snake taught them to eat from a wicked desire to sow which belongs to destruction, in order that he (Adam) would become useful to it. And it knew that he was disobedient to it because the light of Epinoia dwelled in him, making him more correct in his thinking than the Chief Ruler."

Hence, whoever the "snake" then was, it was Christ who wanted them to eat from the tree and get access to knowledge...

Apparently, things are quite remarkably interwoven...

As concerns Lucifer and Satan, I have come to the opinion that they are **not** one and the same, but that YHWHistic interests want us to believe that they would be, simply because Lucifer seems to be a real adversary to YHWH, whereas Satan will rather be a hidden face of YHWH himself. It is and has been claimed that Lucifer is not really evil, but became branded as evil for political reasons, since he crossed plans of YHWH through bringing knowledge and enlightenment humans were not supposed to have.

What, however, is very disturbing here is that there are various orders in humanity that call them self Luciferian, and yet in rituals, magic and even sacrifices seem to be real Satanists. They apparently confuse the two names. And there are other such orders that seem to be honest and of an elevated morality, almost in a way one could call Christian. This confusion will no doubt have arisen out of the interests of YHWH and the self-allegedly Christian Church in making people believe that the two would be one. A game played by Enlil/YHWH for creating confusion. This may then have led to effectively having *two* Lucifers, as a result of political maneuvers! A real one, and one that is in reality Satan, but with an intentional confusion about his name. The one who fell (escaped) out of the Light will then be the latter...

We may, therefore, *hypothetically* accept the statement that the benevolent Enki, who in certain ways crossed plans of Enlil/YHWH(/Satan), could *possibly* be a rather benevolent Lucifer.

Keep in mind that every devil calls himself "God" and every "god" calls his opponent "Satan"... It is the same game on both sides.

And Christ, Jesus?

So how, then, could Christ fit in all this? Is there a correspondence to him in the Mesopotamian pantheon? It would have to be one (cf. *The Apokryphon of John*), who was created in a very early stage, *before* the creation of Anu. In the "pairs" Lahmu/Lahamu and Anshar/Kishar, or one of these four, there does not seem to be a fit. The one left would then be <u>Mummu</u>, who is also the one who is closest to the primordial creator pair. Since little is known about this Mummu, there is hardly more that can be said about this hypothesis – except that that is what it is: a *hypothesis*...

And who, then, is Jesus? The most probable answer will be that he was a *messenger* of Christ, sent to us, and not an incarnation of him. Tellinger has regrettably developed an erroneous view of Jesus, unaware of the political manipulation by the Church, see the lower part of the text <u>A brief history of Christianity</u>, cf. <u>Who is Jesus?</u> In the latter text, a claim raised by some is discussed that Jesus could be Lucifer. That seems improbable, since Jesus was sent by Christ as a messenger, and Christ is above the Anunnaki (see <u>below</u>). Yet *if* there is a benevolent Lucifer discredited by YHWH, there may be a connection.

The Watchers

Gen 6:2-4 mentions the "sons of God", who got involved with the "daughters of men" so that they gave birth to "men of renown" (nephilim פְּנִפִילִים). The Book of Enoch (Chapters 7 and 8) tells more

⁹ The word is often translated as "giants" but will rather be derived from *nephal* = "fall", "be cast down".

extensively about this and also about how these "sons of God" taught many things to the humans, among these the use of metals. One may almost see this as a kind of development aid... These are also called Watchers.

Who were these "sons of God"? The Hebrew name is beney ha'elohim (בְּנֵי הֵאֱלֹהִים), i.e. the sons of Elohim. The word 'elohim is translated as "God" in the Bible. It is grammatically undeniable that it is the male plural of eloah אַלוֹה or el אַלוֹה ", god." Hence more correctly: "sons of the gods"! Which gods? The Anunnaki? They in any case did like Enki did and taught many things. Thus, the humans developed faster than Enlil wanted. That was the real reason why Enlil/YHWH let the great flood loose over them! He wanted to stop a development that was too fast for him and get rid of those who were already "too much" developed.

The apocryphic text <u>The Book of Jubilees</u> informs us in the Chapters 4 and 5 that the Sons of the 'Elohim actually had been given the *task* to instruct the humans, to teach and show them many things. They fulfilled this task, but later gave in to the temptation to also become sexually involved with the women. Thus, they sinned and with time the deluge was, therefore, let loose over the Earth. What, then, was this "sin"? Sexuality itself? Why would they and we be given genitals, if their use should be forbidden? After all, Gen 1:22 orders us to multiply! The logical answer will be another: it was forbidden for the Sons of the 'Elohim *to have children with human women, because then their genes would be introduced in humankind!* Such genes led to a fast development of the humans that was unwanted. The deluge stopped this development, eradicated those who were already developed and threw humankind back to an earlier stage.

The first sentence in the Bible

Gen 1:1 reads as follows:

Bere'shit bara' 'elohim 'et hashamayim ve'et ha'aretz. (בְּרֵאשִׁית בָּרָא אֱלֹהִים אֵת הַשָּׁמַיִם וְאֵת הָאָרֶץ), usually translated as: "In the beginning God created the heaven and the earth."

Here, again, we have the plural "gods" in the text. One has, therefore, tried to read it as "...the gods created...", which does not fit grammatically, since the verb *bara*' is in a singular form. However, there is another solution for this problem that is constantly and probably intentionally overlooked.

The conventional and "dogmatically approved" translation of *bere'shit* is based on *be* = "in, at" and *re'shit* = "beginning". But according to dictionaries, *re'shit* alternatively means "the first (of its kind)" and *be* can also mean a reference to the "origin". Thus *bere'shit* can, therefore, be understood as a somewhat tautological expression meaning "the original first one" (or "the very first one"), i.e. *the primordial creator*. Then it fits grammatically as follows: *The First One created the gods, the heavens and the Earth.* "Heaven" in the Hebrew text is in the plural form, too, and can be understood as "cosmic worlds." So who, then, are the "created gods"? In our context obviously the Anunnaki *and also other "gods" out there...*

About sexuality and the tree of knowledge

The following contradicts the interpretation of the Bible text in the sense of sexuality being the "original sin":

- Adam was forbidden to eat from the tree *before* Eve was created and sexuality was not yet an issue.
- They are from the tree one after the other. Sexuality is something done together and not one after the other.
- Eve did not get pregnant at that occasion, but later (Gen 4:1, see above).

My hypothesis about the mission of Jesus and the Gnostic Christians

- Jesus is not Christ, but a messenger sent by Christ. He may possibly be Sabaoth, a son of Yaldabaoth = YHWH, who revolted against Yaldabaoth and left him (see Who is Jesus?)
- There affectively are *two* Jesuses and *two* Christ: the real ones and the fake ones established by the Church.

- Jesus did give <u>his mission</u> to his disciples to bring it into the world. This lead to the formation of the Gnostic Christianity, the first and original Christianity. One of the teachings was that YHWH is a false god.
- This evoked anger and hatred in YHWH, for which reason he had Jesus murdered, hoping that the teachings would soon be forgotten. But they were not. They were carried on by the Gnostic Christians. To counter them, YHWH used Paul to establish a modified Christianity that served the interest of YHWH.
- However, YHWH wanted to get rid of the Gnostics, too. For this, he used Constantine to establish a Church, based on Paulinian pseudo-Christianity, and condemn Gnosticism as heresy.
- The Gnostic texts were destroyed but an important collection was hidden and discovered in Nag Hammadi in 1945. This will not be a coincidence, but part of a plan to reestablish the original teachings (to a major extent).

It, however, seems like Jesus did not break the power of YHWH to liberate humanity from his rule, since after his death things only got worse and YHWH's power and influence grew stronger. Christ may make the same impression as Jesus on us. So were they, after all, rather serving YHWH than the "Father" that Jesus talked about? Or did they fail? Or is it a matter of a process that by human measures appears very, very long, even though it *is* going on and now approaches a final phase?

This impression is certainly valid for the *fake* "versions" of Christ and Jesus, but if the process is going on and approaches the end, it is not valid for the *real* Christ and Jesus, but then rather is a human misunderstanding.

If the latter is true, YHWH will know that his days are counted and want to boost his power as much as possible before he has to give it up, and as a final act destroy as much as possible of this planet and its population.

YHWH is, actually, an alien in the sense that he and his associates do not belong to this humanity, but to another dimension located to another world populated by another civilization. That civilization has since thousands of years established an invisible control over us. They claim that they created us, which is not true. They only genetically *modified* existing life forms and implanted some of their own genes in us. They are in no way our creators. The only thing they did was to genetically "fabricate" a small group of ancestors to the present human race on this planet. After that, these humans were no more "fabricated" by them, but procreated from the ancestors. Therefore, these aliens have no right at all to use and control us. Nevertheless they do so for the purpose of feeding themselves (invisibly and unconsciously for us) on our life energies, as if we were their energetic "cattle".

Humanity has during many thousands of years been manipulated by various aliens, who established various religions for controlling us. But a few of them were also benevolent. The manipulating ones and, especially, YHWH wanted the competitors destroyed and used the fake Christianity as a tool for this. There is an invisible war going on about us between negative and positive aliens. We are now slowly approaching an end of this war and in a future a new humanity will arise (but *not* through then NWO that is striving against this!), supported by the positive aliens. In the process, masses of humans will "die" – but there is no death! Only the body dies, the immortal soul leaves it and will later return – in a new humanity.

So what about Antichrist?

This is somewhat unclear, since the word without a real specification simply means someone who is a against Christ and his messenger Jesus. On could also say Antijesus. According to the above, a major candidate would be YHWH!