False Gods in Ancient Times - Part 1

"You shall have no other gods before Me. You shall not make for yourself a carved image -- any likeness of anything that is in heaven above, or that is in the earth beneath, or that is in the water under the earth; you shall not bow down to them nor serve them. For I, the LORD your God, am a jealous God, visiting the iniquity of the fathers upon the children to the third and fourth generations of those who hate Me."

| DEITY | COUNTRY | POSITION | REFERENCE |
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| PALESTINE DEITIES IN SCRIPTURE | | | |
| Baal | Canaan | Young storm god | 1 Kings 16:31;18:18-46 |
| Ashtoreth | Canaan | Mother-goddess; love; fertility | Judges 2:13; 10:6 1 Samuel 12:10; 1 kings 11:5 |
| Chemosh | Moab | National god of war | Numbers 21:29; Judges 11:24 1 Kings 11:7, 33; Jeremiah 48:7 |
| Molech | Amnon | National god | Zephaniah 1:5; Jeremiah 49:1 1 Kings 11:5, 7, 33 |
| Dagon | Philista | National god of rain | Judges 16:23 1 Samuel 5:2-7 |
| Queen of Heaven | Canaan | Same as Ashtoreth | Jeremiah 7:18; 11:17-27 |
| PALESTINE DEITIES IN SCRIPTURE | | | |
| Marduk | Babylon | Young storm god; chief god | Jeremiah 50:2 |
| Bel | Babylon | Another name for Marduk | Isaiah 46:1 Jeremiah 50:2; 51:44 |
| Nebo (Nabu) | Babylon | Son of Marduk | Isaiah 46:1 |
| Tammuz (Dumuzi) | Sumerian | Young storm god | Ezekiel 8:14 |