

The True Trinity

and the false trinity's attempt to copy it

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Here are the parallels of God the Father with Satan trying to imitate him:

True Trinity and False Trinity – 1

<i>God the Father</i>	<i>The Dragon/Satan</i>
God's dwelling place is in heaven (Rev. 4-5)	His place is in heaven (Rev. 12:3, 7-8)
He has a throne (Rev. 4-5; 7:9-15; 19:4)	He has a throne (Rev. 13:2; 2:13)
Gives power, throne, authority to Christ (Matt. 28:18; Rev. 2:27; 3:21; Rev. 4-5)	Gives power, throne, authority to sea beast (Rev. 13:2,4)
He is worshiped (Rev. 4:10; 15:4)	He is worshiped (Rev. 13:4)
He lives and reigns forever (Rev. 4:9; 5:13; 11:15)	He is destroyed forever (Rev. 20:9-10)

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Here are the parallels of God the Son with the sea beast trying to imitate him:

True Trinity and False Trinity – 2

<i>Jesus Christ</i>	<i>The Sea Beast</i>
Comes from water to begin ministry (Luke 3:21-23)	Comes from water to begin his activity (Rev. 13:1)
Seeing me is seeing the Father (John 14:9)	Resembles the dragon (Rev. 12:3; 13:1)
Has many <i>diadema</i> crowns (Rev. 19:12)	Has 10 <i>diadema</i> crowns (Rev. 13:1)
The Lamb with seven horns (Rev. 5:6)	Has 10 horns on his head (Rev. 13:1)
Receives power, throne, authority from the Father (Mt. 28:18; Rev. 2:27; 4-5)	Receives power, throne, authority from the dragon (13:2, 4)
3½ years ministry (Gospel of John)	42 months of activity (Rev. 13:5)
He was slain (Rev. 5:6)	He was slain (Rev. 13:3)
Resurrected (Rev. 1:18)	Came back to life (Rev. 13:3)
Received worship after resurrection (Mt. 28:17)	Received worship after mortal wound healed (Rev. 13:3-4, 8)
All authority in heaven and earth given after the Resurrection (Mt. 28:18)	Given universal authority over the earth after mortal wound healed (Rev. 13:7)
Michael = Who is like God (Rev. 12:7)	Who is like the beast? (Rev. 13:4)
Targets the whole world (Rev. 5:9; 10:11; 14:6)	Targets the whole world (Rev. 13:7; 17:15)

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Here are the parallels of God the Holy Spirit with the earth beast trying to imitate him:

True Trinity and False Trinity – 3

<i>The Holy Spirit</i>	<i>The Earth Beast</i>
Called the Spirit of truth, guides people to salvation (John 16:13; Rev. 22:17)	Called the false prophet, deceives people (Rev. 16:13; 19:20; 20:10)
Christ-like (John 14:26; 16:14)	Lamb-like (Rev. 13:11)
Exercises all the authority of Christ (John 16:13-14)	Exercises all the authority of the sea beast (Rev. 13:12)
Directs worship to Christ (Acts 5:29-32)	Directs worship to sea beast (Rev. 13:12, 15)
Performs great signs (Acts 4:30-31)	Performs great signs (Rev. 13:13; 19:20)
Comes in fire at Pentecost (Acts 2)	Brings fire down from heaven (Rev. 13:13)
Gives life/breath of life (Rom. 8:11)	Gives life/breath to the beast's image (Rev. 13:15)
Applies the seal on the forehead (2 Cor. 1:22; Eph. 1:13; 4:30)	Applies the mark on the hand or forehead (Rev. 13:16)

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Worship the True Trinity and be wowed by God the Father, God the Son (Jesus), and God the Holy Spirit, rather than be intimidated or distracted by the false trinity of Satan, the sea beast, and the earth beast.