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President Thomas Jefferson, Christopher Columbus,

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crusaders in the Middle Ages.

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What did they have in common?

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They either experienced or believed

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in the possibility of alien encounters.

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The fact is, there have been so many descriptions

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by various chroniclers talking about a strange cloud

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in the sky that glowed red.

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Columbus, in his first voyage, he

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noted in the log a glowing object

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rise out of the water and head off into the atmosphere.

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Could alien beings have been responsible for biblical floods,

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medieval plagues, and even ancient nuclear attacks?

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Visitations occurred since before Record of History

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all the way to today.

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Millions of people around the world

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believe we have been visited in the past

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by extraterrestrial beings.

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What if it were true?

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Did ancient aliens really help to shape our history?

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And what if these visitations didn't only

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occur thousands of years ago, but much more recently?

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Might there be evidence of real life close encounters?

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The World of War

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The World of War

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The World of War

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Alamogordo, New Mexico.

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White Sands Proving Ground, July 16, 1945.

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Early in the morning, a number of US military officers

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and scientists gathered to watch a powerful new weapon

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being tested.

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Some believe the device will be a complete failure.

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Others think it might destroy the entire state of New Mexico.

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As a precaution, viewing stations are placed

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from 10 to 20 miles away from the test site.

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At precisely 529 and 45 seconds,

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the first atomic bomb is detonated.

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Three, two, one, fire!

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The blast emits a fireball over 600 feet wide

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and produces an explosion equal to 20,000 tons of TNT.

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The mushroom cloud reaches over 7 miles in height,

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and the reverberations can be felt nearly 100 miles away.

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The World had a new weapon.

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One so terrifying, it left even its creator,

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Dr. Robert Oppenheimer, shocked and shaken.

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Few people laughed.

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Few people cried.

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Most people were silent.

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For the first time in its history,

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the Earth had been assaulted by a man-made weapon

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of incredible power.

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But what if it had all happened before?

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What if an explosion of even greater force and destructiveness

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had long ago shaped the Earth's history?

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Some people have suggested, on the basis of a number of lines

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of evidence, that there may have been atomic warfare,

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atomic bombs, atomic explosions in the very distant past.

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Atomic warfare among ancient civilizations

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may sound like something out of a science fiction novel,

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but descriptions of similar deadly occurrences

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can be found in the very same text Dr. Oppenheimer quoted

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after the New Mexico atomic test.

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I remember the line from the Hindu scripture,

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the Bhagavad Gita,

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now I am become death,

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the destroyer of worlds.

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Part of an ancient Hindu scripture,

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known as the Mahabharata,

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the Bhagavad Gita was written

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sometime between the 5th and 2nd century BC.

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This massive 100,000 verse text

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contains stories about the ancient empire of Rama,

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which it is said existed over 12,000 years ago,

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or roughly 5,000 years before

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the earliest recorded civilization in Mesopotamia.

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If you read the ancient Indian epics,

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they read like modern day science fiction.

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Yet they're thousands of years old

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with references not only of flying chariots,

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and of these gods that had these incredible technological

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capabilities, but incredible weapons

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that they used in those epic battles.

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They had what was called a Brahma weapon.

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There were many people that were singed and burned

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and melted by the Brahma weapon.

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Ancient astronaut theorists believe

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the Brahma weapon was an early nuclear device,

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because the descriptions of its deadly after effects

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are eerily similar to the effects of exposure

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to intense radiation.

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It is a theory largely discounted by conventional science.

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There is no evidence that a nuclear bomb

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was described in the Mahabharata, the Bhagavad Gita.

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It describes a battle.

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In battles, there are explosions, big explosions.

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It's one thing about suggesting

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that, you know, battles have explosions,

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but that's not really what we're looking at.

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You got to look at the whole picture.

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One reference that we have, for example,

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speaks of these explosions that were brighter

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than a thousand suns.

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And when these blasts occurred,

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the suns were twirling in the air,

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trees went up in flames,

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and there was just this mass destruction.

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After those blasts, people who survived

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started to lose their hair,

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and nails started to fall out.

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I mean, right there, we have a concise reference

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to radiation poisoning, nuclear fallout.

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And those texts are thousands of years old.

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But if the Mahabharata is based on fact,

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wouldn't archaeologists have uncovered

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physical or radiological evidence?

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According to ancient astronaut theorists,

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they have

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the Indus Valley, southern Pakistan.

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In 1922, an officer with an Indian

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archaeological survey group discovered the ruins

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of an ancient city known as Mohenjo-Daro.

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According to mainstream archaeologists,

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the city, whose name means Mound of the Dead,

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had flourished between 2600 and 1900 BC.

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However, scientists in Pakistan

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have suggested Mohenjo-Daro is much older.

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Mainstream archaeologists believe

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the city was abandoned as a result of climatic changes,

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or possibly a decrease in trade.

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But when the ruins of Mohenjo-Daro were discovered

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in the 1920s,

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44 skeletons were found lying faced down in the street,

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many holding hands.

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Their faces and body positioning

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suggested they suffered a sudden, violent death.

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You have a culture of people who literally were lying

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that in the street, archaeologists have found human remains

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and something big has happened to these people.

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What in fact did happen to the people of Mohenjo-Daro?

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Why is there evidence that wild animals

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avoided scavenging their remains?

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And why, even after thousands of years,

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had their bones not decayed?

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In certain areas of that site,

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you find increased levels of radiation.

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And radiation exists all over the place.

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When all of a sudden you have higher levels of radiation

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in certain areas of the world,

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the question arises, why?

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Is it possible that Mohenjo-Daro

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was one of the cities mentioned in the Bhagavad Gita,

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a city that suffered the equivalent of a sudden atomic attack?

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In his 1979 book,

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Atomic Destruction in 2000 BC,

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British researcher David Davenport

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claimed to have found a 50-yard-wide epicenter

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at Mohenjo-Daro,

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where everything appeared to have been fused

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through a transformative process known as vitrification.

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Vitrification is a process

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in which regular type stone

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gets molten into a magma state,

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and then it hardens again.

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But once the stone is hardened again,

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it feels like glass.

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At Mohenjo-Daro, we find evidence of vitrification,

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which could have only been achieved

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if the material was exposed to extreme heat

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by some type of a blast.

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When British and Indian and Pakistani archaeologists

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began doing excavations in the Sin Desert,

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on the borders of India and Pakistan

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in the late 1940s and early 1950s,

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what they found in these cities,

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Mohenjo-Daro, Harappa, Kodiji,

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was archaeological evidence to show

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there were apparently atomic weapons.

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Only it happened in ancient times.

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There's other evidence in parts of Africa

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and the Middle East where it would seem to be

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like some sort of atomic explosion

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had taken place there

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and had turned the desert sand into glass.

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And that's exactly what happened at Alamogordo in New Mexico

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when they detonated the first atom bomb in the desert.

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Could the strange ruins found in the Indus Valley

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really contain evidence of an ancient atomic explosion?

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If so, where did these powerful weapons come from?

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Who was using them and why?

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In the ancient Indian texts themselves,

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it says, and I quote,

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at one point three giant cities

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were orbiting the Earth.

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And those giant cities were often described

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as being made of gleaming metal and iron.

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And at one point those three cities

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went to war with each other

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and it's described how

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the gods threw weapons at each other,

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destroying those cities that all went up in flames

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and fire came raining down onto Earth.

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So when you read those passages,

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the question I ask is,

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what is it that our ancestors try to describe here?

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And I think that it was some type of a technology

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that was witnessed, yet our ancestors,

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while being highly intelligent, didn't understand

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the nuts and bolts aspects behind that technology.

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And so they created something divine out of it,

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something supernatural, yet it never was divine,

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it never was supernatural.

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If in fact the Mahabharata is describing historical events,

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might we also find similar accounts in other ancient writings?

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As far as ancient astronaut theorists are concerned,

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we need look no further than in the pages

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of the Holy Bible.

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According to one of the stories contained in the Book of Genesis,

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angels were sent by God to destroy the cities of Sodom and Gomorrah,

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because of the sins of their inhabitants.

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Only a righteous man named Lot, along with his family,

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was to be spared. But while making their escape,

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Lot's wife ignores the angels' warning not to look back,

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and upon gazing at the horror and devastation,

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is turned into a pillar of salt.

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When you are at a nuclear testing range

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and you witness a nuclear blast,

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you're told to look away and not to look straight into the blast.

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And here we have a similar description in an ancient biblical text,

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where instructions were given, whatever you do,

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don't look back, because you will die.

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And sure enough, it happened to Lot's wife.

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Could it be that the story of Sodom and Gomorrah

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is really a description of a nuclear explosion,

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similar to the one described in the Hindu's Mahabharata?

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Do the stories of the Mahabharata and the Bible

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represent actual historical events?

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For ancient astronaut theorists, the answer is resounding yes.

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And they believe the so-called angels,

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who brought forth the devastation, were in fact,

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beings from another planet.

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Alien visitors armed with advanced weaponry.

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September 2000, the Black Sea, Turkey.

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Marine archaeologist Robert Ballard

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and his team of underwater scientists

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discover what appears to be a farmhouse,

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330 feet below the surface.

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Estimates suggest the submerged welling to be approximately

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7,500 years old.

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Ballard and other scholars speculated

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that rising ocean levels could have caused the Mediterranean Sea

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to burst through a natural dam.

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Creating a flood so great, it drowned an estimated

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58,000 square miles under 500 feet of water.

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But more than finding the ruins of an ancient welling,

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had Ballard actually discovered proof that the biblical story

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of Noah and the Great Flood was true.

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And those villages, of course, weren't built underwater.

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So Ballard concluded that the Black Sea,

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as we know it, was only created some 8,000, 9,000 years ago.

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And that is exactly what we're talking about

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with Noah's Ark and the Flood,

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the same area where all that happened.

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And in fact, mainstream archaeologists know

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that in the Mediterranean, there are over 200 known sunken cities.

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Those cities, too, were somehow flooded

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the same time that the Black Sea was flooded.

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Also written in the book of Genesis,

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the story of Noah tells how God saw

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that the wickedness of man was great

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and decided to destroy all of creation.

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Only Noah, his family and the animals aboard the Ark,

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were allowed to survive and repopulate the planet.

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But is this the whole story?

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Was Noah selected only for his virtue,

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or was there another reason he was chosen to save the planet?

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Ancient astronaut theorists believe the Bible

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doesn't tell the whole story.

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In the late 1940s and early 1950s,

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a series of ancient texts, known as the Dead Sea Scrolls,

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were discovered in a cave located in what is now Israel's West Bank.

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Among the ancient writings are various stories

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not found in the traditional Hebrew Bible.

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One such story tells of Noah and his strange, miraculous birth.

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One of the Dead Sea Scrolls is called the Lamek Scroll.

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What is Lamek?

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Lamek was a shepherd.

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And one day, Lamek, his woman, was pregnant.

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And he said to her, this is impossible.

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I was not here for months.

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But his woman, with the name Batinosh, swears.

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No one touched me.

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But Lamek doesn't believe his wife Batinosh,

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and he goes to his father, which was Methuselm.

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And Methuselm says to Lamek, I can't help you.

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I don't understand this.

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I believe you are women, Batinosh, that nobody touched her.

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And I believe you. What shall I do?

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So Methuselm goes to his father, the grandfather now of Lamek.

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His name is Inok.

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Now Inok tells to Methuselm that the guardians of the sky

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have made an artificial insemination

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into the womb of Batinosh, the wife.

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And he should accept this child

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because this child would be the father

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of a new human generation.

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And in the Bible, this is Noah.

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What if, as ancient astronaut theorists believe,

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the story of Lamek is true

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and the guardians of the sky, described in the story,

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are in fact aliens?

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Does this mean that Noah was the product

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of an artificial insemination,

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a genetic experiment performed by extraterrestrials?

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If so, what was the reason for the great flood?

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Well, the reason for the flood,

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and we need to understand this,

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it tells us that Noah was pure in all of his generations.

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What does that mean?

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Why would the account specify pure in all his generations?

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According to the Bible,

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God sent the flood because of man's wickedness and corruption.

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But ancient astronaut theorists believe the flood

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was actually a means of ridding the earth

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of biological imperfections.

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By using Noah and his family,

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they could repopulate the planet

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with a genetically superior species.

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Part of this human society

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is again genetically backward, closer to the animal.

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What can we do?

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This humans were spread out over the planet.

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So they said, we have to kill them all by a great flood,

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and then we have to restart again.

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Another familiar element in the story of Noah

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involves the collection of animals brought aboard the ark.

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In the Bible, God commanded Noah

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to collect two of every kind of living creature,

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animal, bird, and insect.

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But many biblical scholars and theologians agree

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that such a task

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would have been both physically and biologically impossible.

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Could there be another, more scientific explanation?

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The story of Noah's ark

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is pretty implausible if we think about it

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You have two animals of each creature

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on planet earth on a boat.

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Not only would the boat have to be huge,

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but how are you going to collect every animal on the planet

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and put it on that ship?

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So could it be possible

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that Noah's ark was once again

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misunderstood technology

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and Noah's ark was a DNA bank?

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Could it be a story?

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Could it be technology, somehow,

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gathering up all living things as in a DNA bank of some kind?

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It fits together hard to imagine

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how that would happen so far back,

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but if it did happen, it would need to be told as a story

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and the story of a boat works.

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Perhaps this is really an extra treasure.

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Perhaps it's a treasure.

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Perhaps it's a treasure.

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Perhaps it's really an extra-trestrials DNA bank as well.

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The extra-trestrials, you need plants and animals

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and minerals on this planet too.

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Just like when we go to Mars or something,

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we'll be using what we can use on that planet.

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So extra-trestrials coming here would want to do that as well.

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And if they knew that some cataclysm was coming,

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they too would want to preserve

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certain kinds of animals and plant life

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and create what we think of as Noah's Ark.

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Alien DNA bank?

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Is there any evidence that such a thing is even possible?

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In 2008, on the Arctic Island of Svalbard,

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a vault was built to store the seeds of hundreds of thousands

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of plants in the event of a global catastrophe.

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Elsewhere, similar efforts are reportedly underway

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to store animal and human DNA as well.

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Cutting-edge science or merely history repeating itself.

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The Frozen Ark Project is a program that was initiated

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by the London Natural History Museum.

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What they've done is they started to store DNA

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of endangered species for future generations,

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for preservation.

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And as of today, over a thousand species

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have been preserved in small little vials.

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And so the question arises,

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could it be possible that Noah's Ark wasn't necessarily

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a boat made out of wood,

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but what if Noah's Ark was some type of a DNA storage facility

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that was used in order to preserve

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all the species on planet Earth?

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If each species can be held in a tiny vial

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like this, then it all becomes very logical.

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And once again, we have to look at it from a perspective

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what did our ancestors try to describe?

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What did they witness?

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Aliens artificially inseminating humans.

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Ancient DNA bags.

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Could such ideas really help our understanding of the Bible?

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And is it possible that extraterrestrials

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have influenced the development of mankind?

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There are many who claim that the proof can be found

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in some astonishing places.

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For those who believe that close encounters with alien beings

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have helped shaped Earth's history,

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it is important to remember that it isn't only ancient history

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that has been so influenced.

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There have been literally hundreds of credible accounts

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of strange creatures, UFO sightings,

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and other worldly phenomena that took place,

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even in the so-called dark ages.

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There have been sightings all over the world

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throughout the Middle Ages.

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There are stories going from Scotland,

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to England, to Italy, to the Crusades.

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Remember, the Crusades took place over hundreds of years,

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and at certain points in the battle, in some cases over Turkey,

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in some cases over Jerusalem,

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there are images captured in writing

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by various chroniclers talking about a strange cloud in the sky

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that glowed red.

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A strange image coming out of a cloud in the sky.

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Why would we say this is a UFO?

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Because traditionally, UFOs mask themselves

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by forming a cloud around themselves,

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and it's a cloud that's going through the sky,

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that's their invisibility cloak.

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In his 13th century historical work,

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titled *Auto Imperiali*,

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Gervas of Tilbury wrote about an aerial craft

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over the city of Bristol, England,

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which caught an anchor in a church steeple.

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He uses specifically the term anchor,

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that we don't know what kind of anchor that is,

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but a creature, a man,

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climbs out of this craft

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and tries to free the anchor from the steeple,

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and all the people in the village start stoning him,

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thinking he's some sort of evil demon.

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But for ancient astronaut theorists,

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evidence of an alien presence during the Middle Ages

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isn't only found in literature.

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All throughout the Middle Ages,

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there are some magnificent paintings.

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And in certain areas of the painting,

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there are what looks like to be UFOs.

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They're always floating up in the sky,

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usually above the Virgin Mary

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or above Jesus on the crucifix,

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or somewhere we have sceneries

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that depict what looks like UFOs.

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One very interesting painting

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is where Jesus sits up in the clouds

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with, quote-unquote, God,

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and they're holding on to the antenna

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of what looks like Sputnik.

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And theologians say what is depicted here

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is nothing else but the Earth.

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But why would Earth have two antennas sticking out of it?

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And why would it be round?

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Because the mainstream viewpoint at the time

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was that the Earth was flat.

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Here are pictures of the crucifixion,

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dated around 1350 from Kosovo.

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Here are presumably vehicles

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with people driving them

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in attendance at the crucifixion.

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Could this be a crude an attempt

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on the part of the artist

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drawing on a tradition?

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Obviously, he wasn't there.

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Drawing on a tradition.

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Could he be reflecting a folklore?

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Possibly.

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The people of the Middle Ages

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depicted devils and angels

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frequently in their art.

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They did not depict

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what we today consider aliens, specifically.

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But angels are heavenly creatures

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that come from outside of our sphere, aren't they?

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Did the medieval artists include strange creatures

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and flying spacecraft in their paintings

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because they had seen them in real life?

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Or were they trying to communicate their belief

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that the miraculous events of the New Testament

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had otherworldly origins?

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The most famous painting that without any doubt in my mind,

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depict a UFO with its laser beam,

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was made by Crivelli in 1486.

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The annunciation to Mary.

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In medieval art, in the annunciation,

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when Mary is told that she will have a child

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but she will still be a virgin,

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and the angels tell her this,

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over Mary's head

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is a space capsule.

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But what's a UFO or a space capsule

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doing over Mary?

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Maybe the artist saw it.

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And he's putting it in the painting

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to bring together his own vision of a UFO,

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the annunciation from the Bible,

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and the mystery of salvation

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that there could be a virgin birth.

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According to ancient astronaut theorists,

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the UFO-shaped objects found in medieval paintings

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aren't the only evidence of an alien presence

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during the era.

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In his book, *The Gods of Eden*,

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author William Bramley cites private journals

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and other publications throughout Europe,

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which contain accounts of cigar-shaped flying objects

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emitting noxious mists.

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The first reports of this kind

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began during the mid-14th century,

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closely corresponding to the outbreak

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of the worst health epidemic in human history,

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the Black Plains.

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The Black Plains, back in the 1300s,

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many have said was caused by

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a virus from a rodent

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bitten by fleas, this disease

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that wiped out 75-plus million people

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on the planet at the time.

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But there's another theory

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by a fellow by the name of William Bramley

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who says that the Black Plains

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was created by ETs.

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That they wanted to eradicate human beings

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for whatever horrible reason.

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We know that plague can be spread by rodents,

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but there weren't that many rodent infestations

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being reported back then,

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at least not enough to account for all of the breakouts

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that we had.

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So what you find in the literature from that time

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are numerous reports of

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bright lights moving through the sky,

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emitting gas, or what they call mists.

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And you find them in China, you find them in Europe.

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There are similar reports from the Justinian plague

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from earlier in history,

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and even later plagues, the Euclid epidemics,

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you find similar stories of mists

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that are the cause of the plague.

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We have weapons like that, biological warfare.

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As for the motive as to why this happened,

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I can only kind of scratch my head

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because in the UFO phenomena,

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we see certain consistent patterns,

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but we don't always understand the motive.

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Italian historian Matteo Vellani,

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who both chronicled the Black Death

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and died from it in the 14th century,

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wrote of pestilential fogs reported by travelers from Asia.

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He even wrote that people were convinced

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they could actually see the plague

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coming through the streets.

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But what some ancient astronaut believers

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find to be even stronger evidence of alien involvement

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are the numerous reports of mysterious black-cloaked creatures

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who would appear on the outskirts of villages

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just before plague broke out.

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Contemporary accounts describe them as having terrifying faces

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and waving long, sight-like objects

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dispensing noxious mists.

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It's the image we know today

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as the Grim Reaper.

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These figures in black would appear

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usually on the outskirts of a town.

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They were carrying these long devices that looked like scythes.

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These figures in black would just start sweeping in the fields,

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as though they were cutting down the wheat.

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Then immediately there would be an outbreak of the plague.

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Although ancient astronaut theorists are divided

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on Bramley's proposal that aliens were behind the plague,

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his research, like the artwork of the time,

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has led to one important conclusion.

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What is evidence is the fact that

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visitations occurred since before recorded history

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all the way to today.

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It's not like ancient astronauts only happened thousands of years ago,

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and then all of a sudden we have Roswell.

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The fact alone that these visitations

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have been going on for all this time,

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thousands of years, that's sensational.

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Flying cylinders spreading plague from the sky,

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black-clad aliens looking to destroy humans,

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but even if possible, why?

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And if true, wouldn't there continue to be evidence

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of even more close encounters,

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encounters that would take place much closer to home?

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When Columbus and his men first set foot

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in what the Europeans was, the New World,

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the indigenous people had never encountered anyone like them.

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Their skin was pale.

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They wore strange clothes,

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made of bright, often shiny materials.

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They arrived in massive ships and had powerful weapons.

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To the natives, the visitors were truly aliens

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from a strange, far away world.

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Powerful beings, who might just as well,

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have been sent from the heavens.

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Columbus wrote in his journal that the inhabitants

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eagerly came out to see their ships and ask them

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if they had come from the heavens.

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And despite the fact that Columbus and his men indicated,

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no, we didn't come from the heavens,

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they called out to the people still on the shore,

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come out and see the people who have come from the heavens.

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Certainly it seems interesting to wonder why it is that,

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instead of thinking that possibly they came from some other part of the sea,

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that they'd come from the sky.

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But there is more to the story.

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Less well known is that Columbus had an alien encounter of his own,

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one reported in his log just days before he reached the shores of the New World.

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At about 10 p.m. on the 11th of October, 1492,

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the anxious explorer was on the deck of the Santa Maria

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when he saw a light glimmering at a great distance.

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Columbus wrote,

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the admiral standing on the quarter deck saw a light.

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Calling to Perugutieres, he told him he saw a light

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and bid him look that way, which he did and saw it.

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The admiral again perceived it once or twice,

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appearing like the light of a wax candle moving up and down.

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Summoning another member of the crew,

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the two watched as the light vanished and reappeared repeatedly.

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Seeing lights in the water isn't really an anomaly.

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We all know that certain kinds of underwater life give off lights,

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but this light actually traveled along with the ship.

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00:37:55,680 --> 00:38:01,680

Columbus noted in the log a glowing object rise out of the water

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00:38:01,680 --> 00:38:05,680

and head off into the atmosphere.

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00:38:06,680 --> 00:38:09,680

What did Columbus see?

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A phosphorescent sea creature?

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An hallucination?

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Or was it something more, something from out of this world?

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What did Columbus's men see?

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00:38:23,720 --> 00:38:27,720

What they saw was a luminous object

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00:38:27,720 --> 00:38:31,720

that upon breaking the water surface became a UFO.

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To UFO researchers like Bill Burns,

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Columbus's sighting is significant.

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Not only because of when it occurred,

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but also because the object was spotted coming out of the sea,

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ruling out the possibility that what he saw was a comet

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or a shooting star.

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What's intriguing is that this was in what we call today

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the Bermuda Triangle.

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The Bermuda Triangle, that area, particularly off of Bimini

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and the Bahamas, may in fact be, and I'm way out on a limb here,

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colony headquarters underneath that.

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Your UFO goes down into the water

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00:39:17,800 --> 00:39:20,800

and then into a subterranean.

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00:39:22,800 --> 00:39:25,800

What better position would be to monitor

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South America, Middle America, Egypt, than the Caribbean?

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Many people believe that it's possible that UFOs

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could have established bases on the sea floor.

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To some extent, it's true that we know more about the moon

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00:39:41,800 --> 00:39:45,800

or some parts about our space than we do about the deepest parts of our own oceans.

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This event is extremely important

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because it is the world's first recorded event

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that illustrates the appearance of UFO

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as object emerging from the water.

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If Columbus's sighting was so extraordinary,

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why do we only find record of it in his log?

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Some believe another account of this event exists,

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in the official records of the Spanish Inquisition.

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UFO researcher Maximilian de Lafayette

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claims that Columbus's shipmate Pedro Gutierrez

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reported him to the Inquisition

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00:40:30,880 --> 00:40:33,880

after hearing Columbus describe the lights in the sky,

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00:40:33,880 --> 00:40:36,880

as resembling the Jewish menorah.

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When they went back to Spain,

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00:40:39,920 --> 00:40:43,920

Gutierrez went directly to the infamous Inquisition.

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This is the Catholic organization created by the Vatican

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00:40:47,920 --> 00:40:51,920

to persecute and kill the infidels.

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The infidels means the Jews, the Muslims,

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and Christians who are not Catholic.

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00:41:02,920 --> 00:41:06,920

The Inquisition called him for explanation, the position.

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Did you say that you saw menorah?

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Why did you say menorah?

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Oh, so you are a Jew.

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00:41:13,960 --> 00:41:15,960

He said, I'm not a Jew.

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In the deposition, which is lengthy,

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you find more details,

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meticulous details of what Columbus saw above the water.

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The file of the Inquisition

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is in the vault of the Vatican.

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And good luck if you can go to the secret file of the Vatican

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and try to dig for documents as explosive as this one.

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Secret files of the Spanish Inquisition,

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UFOs and alien sightings in the time of Columbus,

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far-fetched, perhaps,

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but to proponents of ancient astronaut theory.

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These pre-colonial close encounters

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are considered commonplace events.

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For them, it offers additional proof

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00:42:11,040 --> 00:42:14,040

that we are not alone.

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They have several sightings of what we could call UFOs today,

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along the discovery of America

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during the conquest of America.

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Columbus was not the only one.

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Also, on the trip of Magillian,

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Fernando de Magillian,

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00:42:30,040 --> 00:42:32,040

the discoverer of the strait,

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who still could navigate the way after Columbus.

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He had also sightings.

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Seafarers often encounter strange lights

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00:42:44,080 --> 00:42:48,080

both in the sky and below the surface of the ocean.

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00:42:48,080 --> 00:42:51,080

Skeptics argue that Columbus's sighting,

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00:42:51,080 --> 00:42:55,080

like many others, was simply a natural phenomenon.

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At night, there are all kinds of things,

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00:42:59,080 --> 00:43:01,080

for example, bow lights.

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These are these very large comets,

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00:43:03,120 --> 00:43:05,120

and they're spectacular.

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It's just like this enormous, bright light with a trail

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00:43:08,120 --> 00:43:10,120

that just arcs through the sky.

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00:43:10,120 --> 00:43:12,120

But we can tell the difference.

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00:43:12,120 --> 00:43:14,120

When you have a meteor like that or a bow light,

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characteristics are very different

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00:43:16,120 --> 00:43:18,120

than the ones of genuine UFOs.

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As far back as the 19th century,

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people have speculated about what that light could have been.

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Explanations have centered around the possibility

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00:43:27,120 --> 00:43:29,120

that it could have been a light

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00:43:29,160 --> 00:43:32,160

or a torch being carried by an island inhabitant.

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They were, in fact,

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more than 35 miles away from any land,

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in which he makes that impossible.

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The other possibility is that it was a meteor

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00:43:45,160 --> 00:43:48,160

traveling very close to the horizon,

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00:43:48,160 --> 00:43:50,160

and that the movement of the ship

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00:43:50,160 --> 00:43:53,160

is actually what made the light appear to be moving up and down.

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00:43:54,160 --> 00:43:57,160

But what if conventional science is wrong,

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00:43:57,200 --> 00:44:01,200

and the ancient astronaut theorists are correct?

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What if Columbus, Magellan,

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00:44:04,200 --> 00:44:06,200

and the early explorers

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00:44:06,200 --> 00:44:10,200

really did see evidence of extraterrestrial creatures

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visiting our planet?

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What does this say about our past,

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our history,

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and our future?

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Germany, April 14th, 1561.

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At dawn, the citizens of Nuremberg

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awoke to what was described in a local news flyer

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as a very frightful spectacle.

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Various strange objects were spotted in the sky,

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engaged in what appeared to be an aerial battle.

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Could they have been witnessing a close encounter?

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They see this incredible sight

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00:44:55,240 --> 00:44:57,240

as the sun is coming up.

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00:44:57,240 --> 00:45:01,240

They see what they describe as cigar-shaped objects,

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00:45:01,240 --> 00:45:03,240

circles in the air,

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00:45:03,240 --> 00:45:07,240

and crosses, flying crosses.

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00:45:07,240 --> 00:45:11,240

And suddenly, these shapes begin emitting other shapes.

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00:45:12,240 --> 00:45:15,240

These spheres and disks were seen for a long time,

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00:45:15,240 --> 00:45:17,240

as they apparently were fighting

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00:45:17,240 --> 00:45:20,240

in some kind of a battle over the city.

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00:45:20,240 --> 00:45:22,240

In fact, the battle was so evident

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00:45:22,280 --> 00:45:25,280

that the people in Nuremberg were actually able to perceive

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00:45:25,280 --> 00:45:27,280

which side was winning.

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00:45:27,280 --> 00:45:30,280

Some of the objects were seen to crash into the ground

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00:45:30,280 --> 00:45:34,280

and disappear in a cloud of smoke or steam.

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00:45:34,280 --> 00:45:37,280

Other objects were seen to fly off

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00:45:37,280 --> 00:45:40,280

and disappear in the direction of the sun.

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00:45:40,280 --> 00:45:44,280

This entire event becomes memorialized in a broadsheet.

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Now, a broadsheet in the 16th century

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00:45:47,280 --> 00:45:50,280

was literally a newspaper.

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And that broadsheet exists today in Zürich, Switzerland.

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The Zürich Central Library to this day retains a copy,

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not only of the famous woodcut that shows the 1561 sighting

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over Nuremberg, but also a 1566 woodcut

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00:46:06,320 --> 00:46:09,320

showing a sighting from that year

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that was quite similar in Basel, Switzerland.

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What's fascinating is it's a very similar event.

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People saw a bunch of circles in the air,

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in fact, a proliferation of circles in the air.

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00:46:21,360 --> 00:46:24,360

They didn't necessarily interpret that as a battle in the air,

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00:46:24,360 --> 00:46:28,360

but they did interpret it as some kind of heavenly sign.

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The broadsheets that were distributed both in Nuremberg

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00:46:33,360 --> 00:46:35,360

and in Basel five years later

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00:46:35,360 --> 00:46:38,360

advised people to repent for their sins

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00:46:38,360 --> 00:46:42,360

and interpreted these extraordinary events as signs from God.

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00:46:43,360 --> 00:46:47,360

In all time, everything, paranormal, extra, extra.

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00:46:47,400 --> 00:46:52,400

Eiffen Ordnere belongs to realm of divinity of God.

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00:46:52,400 --> 00:46:55,400

God's doings this, God is punishing us,

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00:46:55,400 --> 00:46:58,400

God is blessing us, go repent, go to church.

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00:46:58,400 --> 00:47:01,400

It's interesting to read the Nuremberg description

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00:47:01,400 --> 00:47:05,400

because it is written with religious iconography in mind.

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They talk about crosses seen in the sky

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on the previous day during that sighting.

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Now what we might think of as a fuselage with wings

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might have appeared as a cross to people who saw religious symbolism

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constantly in their everyday life.

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It's difficult to imagine how these things might have appeared,

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but it's certainly possible that if these were to appear in the sky today,

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we would describe them quite differently.

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Could the people of Nuremberg have actually witnessed a battle

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between warring alien factions?

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An event eerily similar to the one written about

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in the Bhagavad Gita over 3,000 years earlier.

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And if not, what else would explain the vivid accounts

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of luminous globes and blood red crosses appearing in the sky?

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Throughout the Middle Ages, visions of strange happenings

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were often attributed to God or to the supernatural.

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But moving into what is known as the early modern period

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of the 17th century, people began to look more and more

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towards science and the stars for answers.

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And with the invention of the refracting telescope in 1608,

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there would be more eyes trained on the stars than ever before.

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Ironically, the first report of a UFO witnessed through this new device

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came from Colonial America's best known Puritan minister,

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Cotton Mather.

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There was an incredible sighting that the very famous New England preacher

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Cotton Mather had.

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Cotton Mather said that he was looking through a telescope at the moon,

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and in the telescope, he saw a flying light over the surface of the moon.

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Well, how did this get recorded by none other than NASA?

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And people confounded themselves go to the NASA report

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on lunar anomalies over 500 years, and they will find

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Cotton Mather's sighting of a UFO over the surface of the moon.

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There are a vast number of natural atmospheric phenomena

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that can appear as bright lights in the night sky.

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Certainly meteors are a possibility.

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Even certain kinds of terrestrial phenomena do materialize

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as glowing balls of light that, seen from a distance, may appear to be a star.

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And it's incredibly difficult to judge the distance of a point source of light in the night.

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So he may have thought that it was on the surface of the moon

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or hundreds of miles away when in reality it could have been quite close to where he was.

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Though it is uncertain what Cotton Mather saw,

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ancient astronaut theorists find it significant that a prominent

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religious figure would report such a sighting not as a vision from God,

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but as an astronomical event.

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They see it as a sign, not only of the sighting's authenticity,

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but that views on the possibility of extraterrestrial life

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were starting to shift, even within the Christian Church.

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Cotton Mather was known as a fire and brimstone preacher,

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but there's a rational part of Cotton Mather as well.

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Because this was the very beginning, the dawn of the industrial revolution.

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And in this context,

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people were thinking about science, they were thinking about machines,

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and really thinking about could there be something in space.

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All those sightings, like Cotton Mathers,

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were still rare in the 1700s.

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The increasing interest in astronomy sparked a new debate

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over a centuries-old theory called the plurality of worlds.

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The idea that life might exist elsewhere throughout the universe.

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By the end of the 18th century, the majority of people,

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at least of educated people, were convinced

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that all throughout the solar system, there was intelligent life.

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On Jupiter, on Mars, on Saturn,

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all of them had extraterrestrials.

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Very possibly the moon would have intelligent beings on it.

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I once did a tally of the leading intellectuals

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in the 18th century.

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Over half of them included ideas of extraterrestrial life

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in their publications.

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The premier 18th century astronomer, William Herschel,

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also supported the theory that life existed on other planets.

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So did Thomas Paine, one of America's founding fathers,

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along with many religious leaders of the time.

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Preachers were preaching about extraterrestrials as a proof of God's goodness.

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That's the idea that if there is a good

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of the nephers than God, he would populate all the planets, all the stars.

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Though there was open debate about the existence of extraterrestrial life

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in the 1700s, the discussion did not often extend

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to the idea of aliens visiting Earth.

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But in 1731, a series of sightings occurred across Europe

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that were so compelling, the possibility could no longer be ignored.

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In modern UFO sightings, the communications with UFOs are instant.

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It's on the internet, it's on YouTube.

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But what about some of these 18th century or renaissance sightings?

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Here's something incredible.

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In 1731 over Kilkenny, Ireland, there was a sighting of a luminous object

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coming out of a red cloud.

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That same sighting is reported in the span of a week over the rest of Europe,

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particularly over Romania in Eastern Europe.

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Now, here are two countries that are not communicating with each other.

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Newspapers don't go back and forth, they don't speak the same language,

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there's no radio and there's no television.

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Yet, a UFO was spotted traveling from the Irish Sea,

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across Europe, all the way to Eastern Europe, and towards Asia,

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and is spotted in different places as it goes,

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independent observations that don't cross pollinate.

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Could these nearly identical reports of a strange object

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passing through the sky be mere coincidence?

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And if it was an alien craft,

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is it possible that earlier sightings simply weren't reported?

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Because they were interpreted as signs from God.

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In colonial America, the idea that aliens were visiting Earth was gaining ground.

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And in the 1800s, this controversial theory would even make its way to the White House.

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The United States officially declared its independence from Great Britain in 1776.

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And just 14 years later, a report of the first UFO sighting in American history

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appeared in the newly published journals of John Winthrop,

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the second governor of the Massachusetts base in the United States.

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His journals, which are now known as a History of New England, 1630 to 1649,

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are still considered the preeminent record for that period in American history.

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When the journals were finally published in 1790,

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over 140 years after Winthrop's death,

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they were finally published in 1740.

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One night in March of 1639, James Everill, who was described as being a sober and discreet man,

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and two of his companions boarded a little boat in the middle of the sea,

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and the boat was pulled out of the boat.

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And the boat was pulled out of the boat,

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and the boat was pulled out of the boat.

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And two of his companions boarded a little boat in the muddy river of Boston.

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As they paddled along the river, they saw a great bright light that hovered in the sky.

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As they watched, the light flared up and then contracted into what they described as the figure of a swine.

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It's difficult to imagine anybody seriously reporting a sighting of a glowing flying pig.

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Looking at the sighting, one can't help but wonder if they were struggling to describe an oval-shaped fuselage

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and for short what we might now call landing struts or landing gear in a way that made sense in the 17th century.

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Winthrop's account states that the object moved swift as an arrow, jetting back and forth,

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as well as up and down, for two to three hours.

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And when it finally disappeared, the three passengers in the boat, who had been drifting downstream the entire time,

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were astonished to find themselves back at the point where they began their trip.

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What Winthrop describes in his journal is really difficult to explain.

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Certainly, it seems hard to fathom that for two or three hours,

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three men in a boat watched a bright light moving around in the sky over the city of Boston.

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And it seems almost inconceivable that their boat could have been drawn back against the tide without them noticing it.

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These type of strange and inexplicable phenomena are now associated with the phenomena that's called alien abduction.

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And as the abduction cases evolved, you heard people say,

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all of a sudden everything around them was slowing way, way down.

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And they associate the slowing way, way down with whatever this event is that we call the human abduction syndrome.

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Could this event at Muddy River be not only North America's first documented UFO sighting,

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but also the first account of an alien abduction?

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Those who believe the account in Winthrop's journals was an actual alien encounter.

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Point to the last line of his report, which states,

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other credible persons saw the same light.

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By the time Winthrop's history was published in 1790,

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the debate over the possibility of extraterrestrial life was more heated than ever before.

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In fact, the question of whether life existed on other planets had become so hotly contested,

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it caused one of America's founding fathers, Thomas Paine, to be unofficially exiled to Europe.

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Thomas Paine enters the extraterrestrial life debate in a very dramatic way.

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He was an Englishman, but famous American patriot.

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1793, Thomas Paine publishes a book called The Age of Reason.

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And in The Age of Reason, he makes one of the most vigorous attacks on Christianity ever made.

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The bottom line on it is, he says, you must believe in extraterrestrials.

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If you know any modern astronomy, the idea of God made the entire universe going from planet to planet,

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redeeming people is just impossible to believe.

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That creates a sensation.

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Thousands of copies of the book were sold.

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In December of 1793, Thomas Paine was arrested in France as a result of supporting a political party that was no longer in power.

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When the American ambassador refused to speak on his behalf,

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Paine believed that George Washington had abandoned him because of his writings supporting the idea of extraterrestrial life

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and refuting traditional Christianity.

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In 1802, he was invited back to America by the third president, Thomas Jefferson.

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Jefferson, an intellectual, was considered a genius by many in his time,

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both for his skill as a statesman and his scientific aptitude.

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And some believe he was also a proponent, like his contemporaries Ben Franklin and John Adams,

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in the concept of the plurality of worlds.

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The concept of a plurality of worlds was a very widely accepted concept in the 18th century.

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People like John Adams and Thomas Paine didn't view extraterrestrial life as a possibility,

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but rather as a matter of fact that everybody knew to be true.

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The new rationality in science changed the way that these founding fathers talked about religion.

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1825, Thomas Jefferson is hiring faculty for the University of Virginia,

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and John Adams writes to him and gives him advice on how to do that hiring.

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He says, do not hire any European professors.

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If you hire a European professor, they are liable to believe in Christianity,

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and that is a very dangerous doctrine that we should stay far away from.

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Other founding fathers also agreed with this view, which included a belief in the existence of life on other planets.

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Benjamin Franklin wondered if there were different gods for every sun that harbored intelligent life.

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Many of them felt it was clear that there were intelligent beings conceivably through the whole universe,

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and that the notion that God came to this planet as a person who was spit on and persecuted

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simply was ridiculous, and they rejected that long-held traditional belief,

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which was a very radical thing at the time.

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America's founding fathers defending the concept of extraterrestrial life against Christianity?

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A revolutionary idea to be certain.

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But perhaps not so revolutionary to the country's earliest inhabitants,

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who long before claimed to have met visitors from the sky.

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In northwestern New Mexico lies a vast concentration of ancient ruins,

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known today as Chaco Canyon.

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Built from sandstone blocks in timber between 900 and 1150 A.D.,

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the 15 major complexes of Chaco Canyon contained four-story structures with hundreds of rooms

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that required thousands of man-hours to construct.

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Until the 19th century, they were the largest buildings in North America.

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Chaco Canyon was a center of activity for a lot of different Indian tribes, Pueblo tribes.

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Archaeologists, anthropologists have a lot of theories about what there was,

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but what I have studied and what I can tell by just some of the chants from my own tribe

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and other Pueblo tribes is that this would have been a big center of activity

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for technological, spiritual activities.

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There's a lot of places on there that has direct bearings up into the universe.

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When archaeologists first excavated these ruins in 1896,

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they marveled at their architectural precision.

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But even more astonishing was the fact that many of these ancient structures,

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like those found in Egypt, England and South America,

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suggested the inhabitants had a sophisticated knowledge of astronomy.

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A number of devices designed for tracking solar events were found.

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And at Fahada Butte, which sits at the entrance of the canyon,

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three giant slabs of rock are positioned near two spiral petroglyphs etched on a cliff wall.

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During the Solstice and the Equinox, these rocks catch the sun in such a way

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as to shine daggers of light on different areas of the petroglyphs.

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But why would early Native Americans spend so much time building the structures at Chaco Canyon

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along such precise astronomical alignments?

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And why build them in such a desolate area of the country?

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It is one of those sites which has been posing so many questions

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and which science is only slowly beginning to explain.

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But really, there are more questions and answers at this moment in time about Chaco Canyon.

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In his 2006 book, *The Orion Zone*,

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archaeoastronomer Gary David proposed that the geographical layout of Hopi ruins

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in the American Southwest precisely mirrors the star patterns of a number of constellations.

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When you look at where the ancestral Puebloan mages ceremonial sites are actually located,

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Gary David has identified that when you just map these, you actually find that they depict constellations.

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Specifically, Orion is very important.

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Orion's belt points to the brightest star in the sky.

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Sirius.

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If one looks at the Hopi Maces as the stars of Orion's belt,

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they also point to an important location, Chaco Canyon.

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But why Orion?

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And could it be merely a coincidence that this constellation pattern has been found at other

important sites around the world?

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And always with the belt pointing toward a place of significance.

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Ancient astronaut theorists have discovered the constellation of Orion,

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lining up with the Mayan complexes along the street of the dead in Mexico City.

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And here, Orion's belt points to Cholula, the largest pyramid in the world.

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They also find it at the Giza pyramids in Egypt,

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with the belt pointing toward the city of Heliopolis, a place of worship for ancient Egyptians.

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One thing we know about Orion's belt is that this is a theme which is recurring in mind mythology.

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It's also actually a theme which is occurring in Egyptian mythology.

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Orion's belt and the stars around it were seen as the heart of creation.

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It is where everything began.

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And it's probably not coincidental that the Hopi see the place where they are living as the heart of the world.

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These are ancient people. All they had to go by were the stars.

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And so they believed, as the strategists believe today, that the stars have certain powers over what goes on on planet Earth.

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According to their legends, the Hopi believe there were three worlds that preceded the one we are in today.

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Each of those worlds was wiped out when guardians of the sky called to the creator to tell him that his finest creation, humans, were no longer living according to his plan.

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And they called to him by setting off a warning through the Earth's axis of vibration strong enough to shift the balance of the planet.

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Is it possible the structures at Chaco Canyon were built along precise celestial alignments so that the Hopi could predict the periods of Earth's devastation and renewal?

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Could the guardians of the sky have led them here so they could monitor the position of the sun?

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Why in the world people settled at that location wasn't something that they did on their own. There's no running water there. There was no reason to live there. There's no good soil.

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They did that because their guardian told them to live there.

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During the times of the summer and winter solstices, as well as the spring and fall equinoxes, the people at Chaco Canyon could gauge the Earth's balance by watching the path of the sun daggers at Fajada Butte.

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If the daggers did not pierce the petroglyphs at the same points as the previous year, they would know that the Earth was out of balance.

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And since the Earth fell out of balance at the end of the previous three worlds, this could mean the end was coming once again.

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Scientists from NASA determined the earthquake that hit Chile on February 27, 2010 shifted the Earth's axis by three inches.

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Would the ancestral Pueblo people have seen this as a sign from the guardians above?

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What do you think that's going to show up at Chaco Canyon on that dagger stick that comes down at the time of the solstice? Do you think the Indians were watching that?

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It's what the Hopi call Koyaneskatsi. We are living in Koyaneskatsi right now. We are living in a life that's out of balance.

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Could these Native American legends be more than just myth? Is it possible that these stories, along with the ancient texts of India and the stories of the Bible, are all describing alien visitations?

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For ancient astronaut theorists, the answer is yes, and the proof may lie on a small uninhabited island in Nova Scotia, Canada.

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In 1795, three Nova Scotia farm boys set out to explore nearby Oak Island after witnessing strange green lights coming from its shore in the middle of the night.

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As they came to the island, they saw that there was one little pit that they thought, well, this is very odd.

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So they started to dig in that particular spot. They came across different platforms made out of wood, especially out of oak.

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And the deeper they dug, they also came across a mat made of coconut fiber, and they came across a stone slab that had very bizarre writing on it.

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The one thing is crystal clear. Canada does not have any coconut trees. So the mat made of coconut fiber, where did it come from?

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That's a very intriguing question, how all these different levels were made.

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The initial excavation stopped at a depth of 30 feet. But since that time, over a dozen professional excavations have been attempted and funded by everyone from actors John Wayne and Errol Flynn to Franklin D. Roosevelt.

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Mining and excavation companies have dug multiple shafts surrounding the whole money pit with the hopes of achieving or reaching whatever is buried down there.

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They've even tried to dig in sideways, and even that didn't work.

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Based on the findings from numerous excavations, the money pit contains a series of oak platforms starting at a depth of 10 feet and recurring every 10 feet thereafter, going at least 200 feet down.

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In between these platforms are slabs of flagstone, not indigenous to the island, and layers of puddle clay.

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Efforts to reach the bottom of the pit have proven so dangerous, six people have died in the attempt.

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Its underground is covered with canals, flooding canals that lead seawater into the system.

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Each time there seemed to be progress, underground floods in the canals would make further searches impossible.

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So this is what we know. Many centuries ago, someone constructed a giant hydraulic system under this island.

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It couldn't have been pirates. It had to be someone with great expertise for architecture and hydraulics.

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We still haven't been able to access whatever is down there because of the incredible flooding system.

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These treasure hunters poured red paint into one of these shafts, and not only did it come out on

one side of the island, but also on the other side, up to three shafts.

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They have been discovered. I mean, it's ingenious.

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But who, or what, constructed this elaborately booby-trapped pit, and perhaps more importantly, what, if anything, lies hidden at the bottom?

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Some have speculated that it might be the crown jewels of England, pirate treasure, Viking hoards, and even the original manuscripts of Shakespeare.

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But perhaps the most audacious theory of all is that the money pit is the hiding place for one of the most sacred objects in the world.

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There is a possibility that the Ark of the Covenant, with its contents, has been hidden on Oak Island.

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The Ark of the Covenant? The most sacred object in all of Judeo-Christianity?

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The gold chest that is supposed to contain the tablets on which the Hebrew God wrote the Ten Commandments.

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Why would this religious relic be placed at the bottom of an elaborately booby-trapped pit in northeastern Canada?

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Ancient astronaut theorists believe the Ark may have been hidden because of the powers it held, powers from out of this world.

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According to the ancient national hypothesis, the Ark of the Covenant housed an extraterrestrial device which was given to the Israelites during their 40-year wandering through the desert.

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When you go back to the biblical descriptions, it becomes a weapon.

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It rises up into the air, it rushes towards the enemies of Israel.

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When the Philistines briefly capture it, they make the mistake of opening it and filing past it. Suddenly thousands of people start to die.

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The biblical account states quite clearly that the cause of death was cancerous tumors.

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This is a very mysterious and puzzling thing. What kind of object could have these almost machine-like attributes and cause deaths that sound like radiation sickness?

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What powers the Ark held is the subject of wide speculation, but an even bigger mystery is what happened to the Ark and where it might be located today.

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One legend says that it was taken during the Crusades by an elite band of monk-like warriors known as the Knights Templar.

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The cover story, and it feels like a cover story, is that they were to protect pilgrims on the route between the coast and Jerusalem and the Holy Land.

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But they don't ever seem to have done any of that. Right soon after they were founded, they took possession of the Temple Mount in Jerusalem.

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And for the best part of 80 or 90 years, they devoted themselves to what looked like an archaeological expedition on the Temple Mount.

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And I'm pretty certain they were looking for the Ark of the Covenant.

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The legend tells of the Knights taking the Ark to Scotland, where they formed an alliance with the powerful Sinclair family.

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Some historians believe William Sinclair may have taken the Ark to Oak Island in Nova Scotia in the 1400s to protect it from English invasion.

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Here, Sinclair and his men could have built what might be the most impenetrable vault ever made.

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The notorious Money Pit.

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But if so, where is the evidence?

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In the 1990s, some scientists were able to send cameras down into one of the shafts.

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There, they discovered strange objects that had a rounded tubular shape.

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Their C-14 values were diverse and their radiometric age ranged from very old to futuristic.

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Now that is basically impossible.

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However, there is some chance that that effect could be caused by some kind of radioactivity.

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That's why we suspect that a nuclear reactor may have been taken there and hidden inside this ingenious hydraulic system,

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so that it would be kept safe forever.

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What would it mean if the Ark of the Covenant really was discovered at the bottom of the Money Pit?

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Would it provide the proof of alien intervention, the very proof that ancient astronaut theorists have been waiting for?

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If the Ark of the Covenant is found at the bottom of the Money Pit,

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well, the story is over.

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Perhaps, but an even greater question persists. Why?

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Has mankind been helped by the intervention of beings from other worlds, as ancient astronaut proponents contend?

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Or was there a more ominous intention?

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Could the Ark, if discovered, be a sort of Pandora's box that once opened would reveal more about our origins than we would ever want to know?

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As the 20th century dawned, the Industrial Revolution suggested that nothing conceived by man could be impossible.

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We could now ride through the countryside in hoarseless carriages,

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sail the seas and huge ocean liners, fly through the sky in airships.

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Even the idea of building rockets and flying them to the moon, Mars and beyond seemed well within our grasp.

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It was the era of science fiction writers like H. G. Wells and inventors like Einstein, Tesla, Edison and Ford.

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In 1896, there were widespread reports of strange airships hovering over various locations in the American West.

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Coincidence or consequence?

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There were sightings throughout history and of course there were a large number of sightings in the 19th century.

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But it wasn't until 1896 that there were waves of sightings.

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Thousands of people in 1896 and 1897 in the United States saw phantom airships, the origin of which was never explained.

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These reports were catalogued, discussed in newspapers.

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There were sightings in 1896, 1897, 1898 and in fact we kind of know from newspaper reports from the Southwest that people were seeing craft with wings.

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And the Wright brothers didn't fly an airplane until 1903. So what were these craft?

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Well on the one hand, people were flying balloons in the 19th century. So balloons were not high technology.

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What was high technology back then? Was affixing a gasoline engine to the gondola of a balloon.

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That whole airship mystery, my guess is that some of those were just dirigibles that people were flying around.

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On the other hand, during that time we also find reports of objects that moved really too quickly to be dirigibles.

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And some were maybe too shiny really to be the types of balloons that they were making at that time.

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The prevalence of these balloons powered by gasoline engines flying around in the late 1890s in the turn of the century probably opened up people's minds to the possibility that there could be literally unidentified flying objects.

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People began to put it bluntly looking up.

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So it could be said that modern UFO history began with these mysterious airships of the 1890s.

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It certainly seems possible if we believe that the airship sightings were sightings of extraterrestrial spaceships that perhaps the aliens were interested in human activity at the time because of the rapid increases being made in technology.

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Some people have suggested that aliens have been interfering with the lives of human beings for thousands of years.

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And because they were always here at significant points in human history, they introduced various kinds of technologies to spur development along a certain line.

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Could the same alien presence that some believe had been visiting the Earth for centuries have been

responsible for inspiring our great leap into the modern age?

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Or could the increased close encounters with UFOs, which would persist through the next century, be a sign that we were in danger of going too far?

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A very common idea that we have today is that as we develop technologically we're going to see an increase in UFO phenomena, that UFOs are basically monitoring us.

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Decades ago we saw a lot of UFO activity around air bases, around atomic bases, and also UFOs following airplanes and maybe following our aircraft.

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I would say that certainly as we keep developing we will continue to see that monitoring aspect to the UFOs.

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Especially as we continue going into space we're going to continue seeing more UFO activity, whether it's for our benefit or not, that's hard to say.

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Our history, the history of human beings on planet Earth, whether we ourselves are the aliens, seated from another planet, or whether the aliens created us, as the stories of the Anunnaki say.

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Regardless, it may be that human beings are being directed toward a certain end.

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In the 20th century the inhabitants of planet Earth were capable of blasting off and touching the stars.

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We were also capable of harnessing the atom.

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And using it to inflict the deadliest of devastations.

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We would send satellites into orbit, land on the moon, and reach Mars.

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But what would we find? A barren empty universe of dead planets or something else?

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In the 1960s mainstream scientists were already exploring the question of whether or not we're alone in the universe.

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And there was only a handful of scientists who actually proposed the idea that yes, there are other civilizations out there.

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Now fast forward 50 years, you'd be very hard pressed to find any scientist today saying that we're alone in the universe.

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What we're coming up to now in the 21st century is going to be a redefinition.

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Our entire history may have to be revised in the context of non-human intelligences coming and going.

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And what else is out there in this incredible universe of which we humans are apart?

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Perhaps the dawn of the space age was a signal to whatever or whoever was out there.

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That after centuries of writing on cave walls, building temples, and mapping the skies, the inhabitants of planet Earth were at last ready.

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Ready for their return.