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A mighty people, worshiping powerful gods.

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Thor's hammer was enormously powerful.

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It had great accuracy.

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He could smash mountains.

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A celestial bridge linking mankind to a divine realm.

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Is it possible that this rainbow bridge was some kind of wormhole that would take people

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to another planet?

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And epic journeys to the far ends of the planet.

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Very few people would have sat sail across the Atlantic not knowing that that was something

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on the other side.

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How were the Vikings able to develop such an advanced civilization?

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Were their achievements in technology and exploration their own?

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Or did they receive otherworldly help?

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More ancestors thought they were visited by gods when in reality they were visited by

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none other than ancient aliens.

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Physical beings.

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Millions of people around the world believe we have been visited in the past by extraterrestrial

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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 if so, might there be evidence in the history and mythology of the Vikings?

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Barbarians.

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Marauders.

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Bloodthirsty bandits whose reputation for brutality would follow them through the centuries.

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When people think of the Norse or the Vikings, they think of crazed marauders jumping in

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boats where they rate pillage and plunder.

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And it's an unfortunate image because it's one dimensional.

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A lot of these expeditions that they went on were not purely expeditionary or pirate

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raids.

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A lot of these were efforts to open trade routes.

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If we go back to the eighth century, ninth century, we find that a lot of the North societies

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were well functioning.

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They had well established agricultural economies and they had a culture of technology.

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The Vikings or Norse people flourished from the late eighth century to the eleventh century

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in what is today Norway, Sweden and Denmark.

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But unlike other ancient civilizations like Greece, Rome or Egypt, relatively little is

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known about this mysterious people as few written records or hieroglyphs have survived.

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People typically don't think of the Norse as particularly sophisticated.

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But they were enormously sophisticated in terms of technology.

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Shipbuilding, bridge building, fortress building.

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And I'm thinking here primarily of the circular fortresses in Denmark.

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They are absolutely circular.

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They consist of ramparts with an external ditch, gateways at each of the compass points.

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Although their civilization was divided among numerous kingdoms, the Norse Vikings were

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united in their belief in the power of the individual.

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They had a kind of early assembly that was very advanced for its time before the other

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areas of Europe had any kind of democracy.

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So they actually came up with the idea that power belonged to the people, not the royalty.

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They had something of a proto-democracy and people would come from that particular region

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in order to argue issues of law or other kinds of cultural issues of political significance

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at that time.

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But perhaps most incredible to historians was how far the Vikings traveled from their

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Scandinavian homeland.

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Hundreds of years before their European counterparts, the Vikings set out from Scandinavia to explore

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and conquer vast territories in Europe and even the Middle East.

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They were the ones that invented ships and they were the ones that traveled about much

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more extensively than the other German tribes further south.

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The Norse crisscrossed half the world in their long ships.

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In the east they sailed down the rivers of Russia to the Black and the Caspian Sea.

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In the west they sailed down the coast of Europe through the Strait of Gibraltar into

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the Mediterranean.

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They reached out across the then unknown Atlantic Ocean.

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They went almost everywhere there was to go.

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According to archaeologists, artifacts discovered in Newfoundland, Canada during the 1960s proved

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that the Vikings were the first Europeans to set foot in North America.

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500 years before Christopher Columbus.

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I remember a time when it was very contentious about the Norse getting to America when I

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was young.

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This was a major, major argument.

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Now we have found their settlements there from about 1000 A.D. so it's very, very clear

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that they made it to Northern North America.

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The main advantage of the Norse was their excellence in shipbuilding.

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And indeed the ship has become the symbol of the Viking Age.

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Those who have sailed replicas of Viking ships have commented on just how incredibly sea-worthy

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and fast these ships were.

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It's their ship that allowed them to travel over these long distances.

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They were the ones that really sort of perfected the keel, which meant that the ship wouldn't

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flip over when going across the Atlantic.

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The development of the long ship was an incredible innovation.

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These were very sleek, very supple craft that could be equally effective on rivers and in

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the high seas.

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They were very light and extremely strong craft that was also slightly flexible so in

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a high seas or storm or something it could survive.

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They had a very solid understanding of hydrodynamics.

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In some of the ships we also found advanced signs of metallurgy, smelting, and different

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types of alloys that they were using.

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And this is all out of context from other cultures they seem to be interacting with.

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But many researchers remain baffled at how the Vikings became so socially, politically,

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and technologically advanced, especially while living in the cold, harsh environment of the

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North.

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When we look at ancient cultures such as the Maya and the Egyptians, they never wandered

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very far from their homeland.

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Even the Greeks stayed close, but the Vikings, they were everywhere.

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And you wonder, were they just extremely curious people?

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What motivated them to go to these extraordinary lengths to explore the world?

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What was it that they were looking for?

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Just how were the Norse Vikings able to manage such technological and geographical feats?

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Are there fortresses and journeys to unknown continents?

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Evidence that the Vikings had access to extraterrestrial knowledge?

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Ancient astronaut theorists say yes, and believe the proof can be found by examining the religious

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beliefs of this mysterious people.

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Lindisfarne, England, 793 AD.

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Several hundred Viking raiders make landfall on this small tidal island off the coast of

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Northumbria to plunder a great monastery of its rumored treasures.

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An account of the attack on Lindisfarne says the assault coincided with extraordinary whirlwinds,

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lightning, and fiery dragons crisscrossing the skies.

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Could these strange events be coincidence, or could it be evidence that other worldly

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forces may have been allied with the Vikings?

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Ancient astronaut theorists believe the answer can be found by examining the divine beings

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that form the basis of Norse religion and mythology.

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As little information has survived related to the origin of the Norse or Viking gods,

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modern scholars depend on a pair of Icelandic books written several hundred years after

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the Viking Age called the Eddas.

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And so we find that there's the god Odin, the god Frey, the god Thor, those are probably

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the best known, but there are a bunch of other supporting gods who flesh out this mythology.

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The gods live in a world of their own, but it's closely connected to the world of men.

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The Norse had some of the richest descriptions and references to the cosmos.

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In fact, they referred to the cosmos as *ēlgdrasilí*, meaning the tree of life.

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That was the symbol of their idea of the cosmos.

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And they were very specific in stating that their cosmos contained nine different worlds,

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one of which is ours, the Earth.

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We often hear about the nine worlds of the Nordic mythological realm.

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There's Asgard, and that's the home of the gods Thor and Odin.

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There's the world of humans, we call this Middle Earth or a Midgard.

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If we go a step a little bit further outside of Asgard and Midgard, we confront Jotunheim

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or the land of the giants.

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We'll encounter Musbæl, which is an area of fire.

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We'll encounter Niflheim, which is another world where the Frostokers live.

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We'll encounter Alfhheim, which is where the elves live.

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According to the Eddas, Asgard was home to the most powerful of the gods.

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It is described as a beautiful and peaceful realm, full of glimmering halls and fertile

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fields cut by shimmering rivers.

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Odin is the chief of the gods.

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He lives in the highest of the heavens, Asgard.

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Yet one eye, he had given up an eye to drink of the water of truth.

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So he has this depth of wisdom, so he's a warrior god able to bring fury and danger to

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the enemies.

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Odin was the god that gave people written language in the runes.

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He was the god that gave them the poetic mead.

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He was the god that gave them many aspects of what would be considered a sort of noble

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way of life.

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But was Odin perhaps something other than a mythical deity?

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Could he have actually existed?

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And if so, how?

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Ancient astronaut theorists believe clues to Odin's true identity may lie in the myths

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describing his two ravens, Hugen and Munin.

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Odin's ravens were his scouts.

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They were his research team.

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Hugen and Munin represent thought and memory.

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So Odin had these scouts, these spy satellites that would go out and see what he needed to

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learn for today's activities.

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According to Norse legends, every morning Odin sent out his two magical ravens, Hugen

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and Munin, and at night those ravens would return and he would listen to them and they

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would tell him everything that they observed throughout the entire day.

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Scholars believe Odin's two ravens, translated as thought and memory, were simply mythological

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creations.

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But is it possible that Hugen and Munin were actually something else, something perhaps

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more technological?

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Whenever he wanted to observe other worlds, find out what they were doing, he would send

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these two ravens out and they would be like spy drones or something and they would go

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to these other countries and they come back to Odin and report to him what was going on.

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And it would seem like what Odin had was some kind of spy planes or spy drones that he was

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sending out, much as we do today.

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The question is whether the Norse really stated that these were ravens or whether they were

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instead something else, that they were somehow flying objects.

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So we have details here of something mythical, of ravens being able to speak to the gods.

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All the ravens had some kind of spy drone or some other kind of spy satellite technology

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by which Odin is able to get information.

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Could it be that Odin was actually an extraterrestrial explorer, one who sent flying machines like

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modern day drones to gather intelligence on the ancient Scandinavians?

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And if so, might there be more evidence of Odin's otherworldly technology contained within

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other Viking myths?

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When Odin sits in Asgard, it's almost like he's got total situational awareness.

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He's got these ravens who fly out every day and come back and tell him the news of the

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world, but he can also sit in this high seat.

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Which is a name that basically translates as the watchtower.

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Is a place where he can sit and look out over all the worlds of creation and see everything

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that's happening in the world.

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Is it possible that this high seat or watchtower is yet another example of advanced extraterrestrial

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technology, as ancient astronaut theorists suggest?

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Some of these stories that come out of our past of the god Odin and having the ability

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to actually sit above Midgard, the earth, and see everything from a vast distance.

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We have to wonder if this is actually mythological, but potentially technological.

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It sounds to me as if Odin was sitting in some type of a captain's chair in a spaceship

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above the earth, which allowed him to have this view.

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So the moment we have stories of gods needing all this type of equipment in order to find

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out first what is going on leads me to think that we are not talking about actual gods,

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but we are talking about space travelers who had access to technology and our ancestors

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witnessed all of this and they said, well, obviously these guys are gods.

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Was Odin's high seat actually referring to an orbiting spaceship from which the chief

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god could look down on earth, as some ancient astronaut theorists suggest?

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And if so, might this also help explain the incredible technologies attributed to other

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so-called Viking gods?

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As the god of thunder and lightning, Thor was able to summon storms and battle giants with

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his magical hammer.

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Thor is the son of Odin.

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He is a sky god.

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He is in charge of thunder and lightning.

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He has a great hammer.

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He is a terrifying presency of power god.

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Thor was usually seen flying through the skies in a great cart pulled by goats.

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If Odin was the chief god, Thor was the god for all of us.

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Thor, in a sense, is the quintessential sky god.

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Our word thunder comes from Thor.

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In Swedish, the word for thunder evokes the idea of driving Thor's chariot over the vault

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of heaven and you can sort of see the crashing and the burning of that chariot going across

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heaven as being the lightning and the thunder that we experience in a storm.

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He's a remarkable character.

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He's very strong and he's a protector.

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He goes out and he basically beats up and kills giants.

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Not only to protect the gods but as an offshoot, kind of collateral damage, he protects us

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humans as well.

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According to Norse mythology, Thor derived his power from several seemingly magical tools.

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One was manure, a belt that is said to have magically gubbed Thor's already awesome

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strength.

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He was called Thor's power belt.

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So the moment I hear stories about that you put on a belt and it doubled your strength,

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then I have to ask myself, well, is it possible that what we're talking about here is some

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type of a technological device?

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Today, we have actually come to the point whereby these prosthetics are actually able

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to listen to brain commands.

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So what we've actually done is recreate some kind of exoskeleton, an exterior and artificial

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nervous system whereby our brain gives commands to our limbs.

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All of this through technology.

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Thor's belt of strength seems to have a very similar description to modern technology where

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we would call it a bionic exoskeleton.

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The ability for a soldier to put on a device that would increase their speed and their

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strength is possible today.

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So when we look at this description of Thor's strength in this belt, it's very possible

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this is some type of an extraterrestrial technology.

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When the ancients are describing technology, it's clear that they couldn't have known exactly

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what this was.

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And it opens the question, is it possible that what we today would interpret as bionic exoskeletons

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was an actual advanced technology possessed by the Vikings or their gods?

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Is it really possible that the Viking gods, Odin and Thor, were in fact extraterrestrial

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visitors?

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Alien beings who possessed advanced technology?

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If so, where might this advanced species have come from?

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How did they get here?

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And what was their agenda?

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Astronaut theorists believe the answers may be found in the stories of the other lesser

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known Viking gods and in Nordic legends that tell of cosmic bridges linking planet Earth

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to another worldly realm.

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Gamla Uppsala, Sweden.

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This small town 40 miles north of Stockholm is one of the oldest continuously inhabited

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sites in Scandinavia.

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Beneath this church, archaeologists have found what they believe are the remains of a famous

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temple called Uppsala.

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According to a 14th century text called the Deeds of Bishops of the Hamburg Church, this

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ornate temple was built to honor the most powerful Viking gods, Odin, Thor and Freyr.

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Freyr is the main fertility god of Norse mythology.

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The rituals that we do have evidence of connected to Freyr seem always to be connected to peace

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and prosperity.

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So all of these characteristics show him in a relationship with humans that's centered

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around prosperity and fertility of various types.

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Freyr was believed to control the weather and was renowned for his diplomatic skills,

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quieting the feuds among the numerous Viking gods and giants.

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And in the Viking pantheon, it was a deity named Loki who provoked the most conflict

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among these gods.

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Loki is actually not a god, he's a giant who is counted amongst the gods.

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And at the end of time, he actually leads the dead and the giants against the gods.

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He's that transgressive character who makes possible all of these conflicts that the gods

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then have to solve.

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But Loki, a lot of the conflicts disappear and you don't have a mythology at all.

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According to the stories compiled within the books of the Eddas, Loki tries to atone for

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one of his many acts of mischief by giving Freyr a ship called Skidbladnir.

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Freyr's ship Skidbladnir was the most fine craft that ever was in the water.

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It could go anywhere at great speed and then if he needed it to be small, he could put

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in a small pouch to carry it around.

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Skidbladnir is remarkable because you can fold it up and stick it in your pocket.

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But when you unfold it, it's one of the greatest Viking ships ever.

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It always has a wind, it always has a fair wind, so you don't have to tack.

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It always gets you where you're going in a hurry.

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And then once you get it to shore, you don't have to worry about where you're going to

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stow it.

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Being able to fold up your boat and put it in your pocket really has to be about the

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greatest thing that you can imagine if you're a Viking shipbuilder.

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But could it be that Skidbladnir was not the product of mythic imagination, but was, in

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fact, an actual spacecraft, one that was witnessed by early Scandinavians.

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Astronaut theorists say yes and believe the proof lies in the legends of a race of beings

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or believed to have built the magical tools used by the gods.

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In Norse mythology, the sons of Avaldi were these dwarves who made these special weapons

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for Thor and Odin and the other Norse gods.

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And so here were these dwarves, these gnomes, these small people.

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They're making these special, very high-tech weapons.

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The Norse gods are using them.

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So you have to wonder just who these mini people are.

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The sons of Avaldi were the master craftsmen of the gods in the Norse system, and they

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made each of these special things that are going to be needed by these heroic gods to

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do their deeds.

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Might the sons of Avaldi actually be the engineers behind the building of Skidbladnir, the magical

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ship used by the Norse god Freyr?

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If so, who or what were they?

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Now the question is whether the sons of Avaldi are real dwarves, the way we know dwarves

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today, or whether they are somehow more mythical, or whether the label dwarf actually stuck

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to them because they were somehow smaller.

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And of course today we quite often describe the great alien archetype as dwarfish as well,

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simply because they are smaller.

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Is it possible that these little people who are making these high-tech weapons were really

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grey aliens?

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And because they didn't know how to describe them, they would call them dwarves or little

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people.

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And these little people are the ones who are making these high-tech weapons for these

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Norse gods.

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And you would see that these weapons are extraterrestrial in nature.

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Now when you think of dwarves and think of extraterrestrials, you think of little greys,

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and I think the dwarves might have been alien greys.

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Might the dwarf-like sons of Avaldi described in the Viking mythologies really be the alien

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visitors we know today as the greys?

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And is it possible that the Viking or Norse gods themselves were in fact entities from

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another planet?

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If so, how did they get here?

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According to ancient astronaut theorists, the answer lies in a Viking legend that speaks

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of a rainbow bridge called Bifrost, a portal that links the realm of the gods with the

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world of men.

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Bifrost is a bridge that connects Asgard to Midgard.

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And the Bifrost conceptually is very interesting.

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It allows there to be a very clear connection between humans and their gods.

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Gods would travel along this rainbow bridge to their meeting, which was by a divine well.

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The red in the rainbow bridge was burning hot, so it was quite a trick to use this effectively

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as a place of transportation.

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Some scholars have speculated that possibly this was inspired by the Milky Way.

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So here was this rainbow bridge that could be traveled upon to get to this home of the

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gods, land of the gods.

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So is it possible that this rainbow bridge, the Bifrost, was some kind of wormhole that

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would take people from a stargate on our planet to the home of the gods, literally to another

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planet?

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Say you wanted to get from here all the way to around to China.

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It's actually longer to go around the earth than to cut through the earth.

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A straight line is always the shortest path.

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So you can imagine if you could make a wormhole, a cut through space that connects the two

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points you want to get to.

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You can make the distance effectively shorter and get there in a faster time.

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Ancient man would not understand a technological description to describe a wormhole, but this

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path of light sounds very similar.

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Might the mythical bridge of Bifrost really have been an interstellar wormhole, a cosmic

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tunnel in space through which the so-called Viking gods could travel to earth?

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Astronaut theorists believe further evidence can be found by a closer examination of the

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Viking gods' incredible weaponry.

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Ballingstass, Sweden, just outside this small town located 40 miles northwest of Stockholm,

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is an ancient carved granite block.

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Known as the Buxta Runestone, it is one of the few remaining relics that depict the mighty

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god Odin holding his magical spear, Gungnir.

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The Buxta Runestone is an extraordinary ancient relic that has runic inscriptions which were

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used by the Vikings.

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It shows Odin riding on a horseback with a spear.

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So one of the things we find with the Norse gods is that they each have remarkable possessions

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and among those is a spear that Odin claims for himself called Gungnir.

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And Gungnir is a remarkable spear in that whatever you throw it at, it's going to hit.

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According to Viking or Norse mythology, Odin's spear was made by the sons of Evaldi, the

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very same creatures who built the ship Skidblotnir.

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They imbued the spear with special properties that not only made it incredibly accurate,

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but also gave it immense power.

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Gungnir was some kind of high-tech weapon.

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No matter who he threw it at, it would hit it.

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Like some laser-guided cruise missile or something like that.

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That just simply could not miss its mark once it had been set to its target.

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We know that when he uses this in war, it always reaches its target.

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This is not something which is simplistic.

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This is something which clearly is advanced weaponry.

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And to find that a deity has to set his disposal can be read in two things.

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One, it is all made up, or two, it is actually factual.

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And today we know that there are such weapons.

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Precision weapons like laser-guided bombs, cruise missiles, and satellite-guided munitions

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are staples in the world's most sophisticated military arsenals.

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Is it possible that Odin possessed similar technology?

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Could Gungnir actually have been a guided missile created by other worldly beings?

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When the ancients are describing technology, it is clear that they could not have known

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exactly what this was.

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And it opens the question, is it possible that the weapon Gungnir was an actual advanced

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technology, maybe even possessed by the Vikings or their gods?

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If Gungnir was in fact a precision-guided missile, similar to today's so-called smart bombs,

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then what might be the facts behind Thor's mighty hammer, Mjolnir?

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Thor's hammer had interesting origins.

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It was made by dwarves under duress.

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So the handle wasn't quite as long as a hammer might be, but it was enormously powerful.

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It had great accuracy.

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He could throw it, and it would hit anything that he intended it to hit, and then it would

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come back to him almost in boomerang style.

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But Thor's hammer, like the weapons of many of the Norse gods, would seem to be some high-tech,

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real weapon, perhaps one given to them by extraterrestrials.

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And when he uses it, it is actually said that this weapon is able to crush mountains.

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Now imagine a weapon which is able to destroy an entire mountain.

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The hammer does not cause explosions.

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It is really the physical force which destroys the object.

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That is something which today we describe as kinetic weapons.

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At the NASA Ames Research Center in Mountain View, California, scientist Peter Schultz

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is studying the enormous power of kinetic energy using a device called a vertical gun.

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This is a giant cannon, essentially, that goes up on a corkscrew so we can hit things

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at different angles.

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This gun gets up to very high speeds, and if you get really up there, it will start melting

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and vaporizing material.

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In a sense, this is a kinetic weapon, except we're not pulling at anything, except for

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target inside the tank.

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To study the effects of high-speed kinetic impacts, scientists used the vertical gun

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range to fire projectiles into objects placed in this reinforced steel chamber at speeds

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of up to 15,000 miles per hour.

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Today we're going to take this small ball bearing, which is about 100 of an ounce, and

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we're going to fire it at 3 miles per second.

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That's almost 11,000 miles per hour.

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And we're going to send it into this block.

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Now when you go that fast, even an object that's small, that's kinetic energy.

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And kinetic energy is the mass times velocity squared.

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If you're going fast enough, you can do some serious damage, let's see what we do.

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Using a battery of high-speed cameras, some capturing images at 40,000 frames per second,

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Schultz investigates how speed and mass can combine to create devastating force.

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We are arc-agated and reset.

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5.53 kilometers.

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Within 15 times the speed of sound, the projectile slams into the solid stone block.

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Oh my gosh!

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Look at this thing.

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Blasted to smithereens.

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Ancient astronaut theorists believe the destructive power of this gun displays uncanny similarities

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to Thor's hammer.

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The question we have to ask ourselves is whether the whole concept of kinetic energy weapons

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is something new or if it already existed in the ancient past.

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And with Thor, we have such a reference.

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What if Thor's hammer was some type of a kinetic energy weapon and what we have here

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in modern times is nothing else but history repeating itself.

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Is it possible that what the ancient Vikings described in their myths were in fact alien

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technologies?

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And do the various accounts of Odin Spear and Thor's hammer really help to prove that

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Vikings were in contact with extraterrestrial beings?

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If so, then where might these beings have gone?

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Ancient astronaut theorists believe the answers may lie in the strange and sometimes violent

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burial rituals of the Vikings.

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Thunberg, Norway.

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50 miles south of Oslo lie the ruins of Oseberghoigen, a Viking burial mound.

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During excavations in 1904, archaeologists unearth the remains of two people buried inside

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a Viking longship.

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Dated to the early 9th century, the discovery revealed for the first time some of the Vikings'

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ancient burial rituals.

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What's very interesting about the Osbergship is the fact that the Vikings actually chose

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to bury their dead in these boats.

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Now this seems very similar to some type of a conveyance possibly going into space.

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You see similar references in other cultures such as the Egyptians and even the Chinese.

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Throughout Scandinavia, the British Isles and Iceland are similar Viking burial sites,

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many containing boats and other ship-like markers.

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Is it possible the Vikings, like the ancient Egyptians and Chinese, buried their dead in

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boats in an effort to help their deceased on their journey to the afterlife?

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And if so, why?

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According to ancient Norse mythologies, slain Viking warriors joined Odin in his fabled

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hall, Balhalla.

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Odin's hall in Asgard, the realm of the gods, is known as Valhalla, which literally means

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the hall of the slain.

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The way that Valhalla itself is described is that it's a place where the dead warriors

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that Odin has gathered from the battlefields spend all day fighting each other and killing

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each other, and then are brought back to life to spend the night in feasting on an endless

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supply of meat and pork.

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The courage of the Norse explorers and warriors was directly related to the structure of their

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fables.

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Valhalla was this great reward.

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If you served well with great bravery, you found eternal life in the company of kindred

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spirits in a great banquet hall.

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Stories and legends about Odin's enormous palace describe it as being almost metallic,

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with shimmering walls and a golden roof.

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During the day, they drink and they eat along these long tables and with fires down the

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center of the hall, and then after they've eaten, they clear the tables and they all

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battle.

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So this must be tens of thousands, if not hundreds of thousands, the imagination boggles

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at how big this hall must be.

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But is there evidence that Valhalla was more than just a mythic place?

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Could it have been an extraterrestrial spacecraft, as some ancient astronaut theorists believe?

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Valhalla was not a figment of our ancestors' imagination, but it might have been some type

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of an orbiting space station.

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The reason why I'm saying this is because whenever we have a description of Valhalla,

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it is an incredible description of a place that has weird attributes.

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Various descriptions of Valhalla give it the reference of being some type of a large metallic

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ship, but they actually bury their dead in the ships as well.

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So is this some type of reference of them actually trying to replicate sending their

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dead to the heavens or just like their gods would be returning to the heavens in some

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type of a large metallic ship?

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Archaeological evidence, as well as contemporary accounts, also indicate that in addition to

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burying their dead in boats, the Norse Vikings also sent many of these burial boats out to

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sea and burned them.

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But why?

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Is it simply a fiery tribute, one meant to honor the deceased?

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Or did the ancient Vikings simply replicate something their ancestors had once witnessed,

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perhaps the launch of an alien spacecraft?

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So my question is whether or not our ancestors witnessed rockets or spaceships taking off

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and landing with all of this fire and the smoke and the earth trembling, that they over

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time thought that by burning their dead, they would imitate what they saw in the past.

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Were the Norse Vikings really in contact with extraterrestrial beings?

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Were these beings thought of by the early Vikings, not as alien visitors, but as gods?

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If so, then where might these celestial visitors have gone?

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What we know is that in the 10th century, the Norse begin a really extensive exploration

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of Europe. We don't know why they begin to explore. It is also clear that we don't know

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whether they were helped by other beings.

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But in fact, there is another theory which suggests that we are going to go in search

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of the deities. It suggests that the Vikings were absolutely convinced that the residence

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of the deities was physical, somewhere on planet Earth.

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Did the Norse gods return to their homeland, prompting the Vikings to travel the Earth

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in search of them? Or did the so-called gods simply inspire their earthly hosts to explore

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the planet in an effort to spread their extraterrestrial influence to other parts of the globe?

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All this knowledge of the universe, according to the Norse mythologies, was given to them

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by the Shining Ones. And the Shining Ones were said to have descended from nowhere else

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but the sky. So is it possible that extraterrestrials in fact guided events in our human history?

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And the answer, of course, is yes, because we can find stories like this all around the

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world. It was very deliberate in order to direct our history.

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Thor's destructive hammer, Odin's all-seen throne, and a mystical bridge linking Earth

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to the heavens are the legends of the Viking gods, really evidence that alien beings visited

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mankind in the distant past. And if so, might these beings have been instrumental in the

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efforts of the Norse to explore the globe? Perhaps we will find the answer deep in a

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Viking burial mound, or carved on the surface of an ancient stone. Or possibly the truth

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will be revealed to all mankind on the day when they return.