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Unexplained sightings at 10,000 feet.

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This was the very odd thing that was captured.

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I mean, off the charts, dramatic.

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Strange creatures on remote cliffs.

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They're somewhere between a bird and a person,

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but in a very frightening form.

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An ancient warfare waged above the clouds.

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I'm talking about a functioning military outpost

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in the mountains for an all-out war

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between exoterrestrials.

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Our mysterious stories surrounding our highest peaks

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simply tall tales.

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Or is it possible that Earth's greatest mountains

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have been secretly inhabited by alien civilizations?

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They're the closest points to the sky

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and the world that exists up there,

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which makes them the perfect place of communication

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between this world and the next.

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Millions of people around the world believe

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we have been visited in the past 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 if so, might the ultimate proof be hidden

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on the Earth's most mysterious mountains?

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Here, in a remote area of the Himalayan mountain range,

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researchers scale a cliff crumbling from erosion

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in order to explore one of the world's greatest archaeological mysteries.

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The sky caves of the ancient kingdom of Mustam,

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of Mustam.

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There are over 10,000 of these man-made caves

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tunneled all around the Mustang region.

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Many have yet to be explored.

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Entry is not only dangerous, but nearly impossible,

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even with modern climbing equipment.

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The caves of Mustang are absolutely amazing

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because they're in a very fragile, friable rock.

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That is, it breaks off very easily.

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It's very hard to scale to try to get up to them.

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These caves appear to be human carved, to be cut out by humans.

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No one really knows who carved these caves initially

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because they seem to go back to such a very, very early period.

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Hidden inside, researchers find art, artifacts

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and religious texts dating back to at least the 1400s

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and some much, much older.

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Among the most stunning of the discoveries

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is a mural composed of 55 panels

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depicting scenes from the life of the spiritual leader, Buddha.

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They have found images of Buddha, various life scenes of the Buddha.

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So perhaps it was used for a ritual purpose,

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perhaps used as a meditation purpose.

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We do not know why particularly Buddhist deities

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have been painted in some of these caves.

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But how and why did this unknown ancient civilization

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scale nearly 155 feet of sheer vertical rock wall

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to create these caverns in the mountainside?

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And why did they leave behind depictions of the life of Buddha?

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Mankind has been drawn to mountains for centuries.

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Across ancient civilizations,

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the world's highest peaks were often viewed as sacred

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and home to all powerful gods.

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But why do so many different cultures throughout history

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share this belief that mountains have a divine connection?

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Mountains have fascinated people all over the world

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for thousands and thousands of years.

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They seem to be a way to ascend to the heavens

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or to get as close to the heavens as we can here on this planet.

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In many mythologies, they were imagined as the dwelling place of the gods.

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The idea that the mountains would be the homes of the gods

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shows up in Norse tradition in India and Japan all over.

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The ruler, the god, the great power

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would want to have the view from above.

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This is transcendence. This is getting the big picture.

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So we imagine that there's a kind of control tower,

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control center up in the mountains

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that helps the gods rule wisely from above.

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They are the closest points to the sky

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and the world that exists up there,

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which makes them the perfect place of communication

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between this world and the next.

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The gods are said to use them when they come down.

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They are places of otherworldly activity.

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Were mountains around the world really home to divine

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or perhaps extraterrestrial beings?

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Beings who use these extreme elevations

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to observe and communicate with mankind.

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Many ancient astronaut theorists say yes,

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and as evidence, they point to the mountain

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that is most famously associated with powerful gods

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of the ancient world.

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Mount Olympus, Greece.

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Rising over 9,500 feet,

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this sacred mountain is the second tallest

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in the Balkan Peninsula.

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According to ancient myth,

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it was also the chosen home of immortal deities

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known as the Olympians.

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Mount Olympus hides a particularly mysterious abode

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where the gods live in perfect immortal repose

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for all of their existence.

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Even nowadays, clouds gather around the top of it.

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That's where it is assumed that the abode of the gods was

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up in the clouds that you weren't able to see.

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Mount Olympus was viewed as sacred by the ancient Greeks,

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and the city of Dion, located at the foot of the mountain,

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became a major center of pilgrimage and religious worship

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in the 5th century BC.

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Dion was at the base of Mount Olympus,

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and it was believed to be a power spot.

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4th century BC, Alexander the Great came to Dion

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before launching off on his vast conquest of Asia.

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There is something about this place,

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something very important, related to the mountain.

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The Greeks were fascinated by Mount Olympus,

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and they believed that real people, real gods,

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were living up there.

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When they saw lightning flashes, storm clouds,

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and when there were natural disasters,

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they believed the gods were angry.

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The Olympians were huge sky beings who descended on Earth

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and had a headquarters at Mount Olympus.

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They interacted with humans,

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and the ancients believed that they were real beings.

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For many years, historians believed that the Greek stories

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were complete myth, but then in 1870,

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the German archaeologist Heinrich Schliemann discovered Troy.

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Similarly, we have the story of the Oracle at Delphi

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and the god Apollo speaking through the Oracle.

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Archaeologists have now found the exact spot

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where the Oracle at Delphi sat.

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So now we know that some of the Greek stories are genuine.

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So is it possible that the stories of the Olympians

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are also true?

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It's possible that they were actually extra-terrestrial beings

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who came here to influence human god.

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Could the myths of ancient Greece be true?

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Was Mount Olympus home to gods living here on planet Earth?

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And if so, might those powerful deities have been extra-terrestrials,

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as some ancient astronaut theorists believe?

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According to the accounts of the Greek poet Hesiod,

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from the 8th century BC,

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the Olympians were the children of the Titans,

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another generation of gods thought to occupy nearby Mount Othris.

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Then up with the oppressive rule of the Titans,

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the Olympians waged a brutal rebellion against them,

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using Mount Olympus as their base.

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The command was done from the mountains

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and the battle took place on the plains between the mountains.

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And the battle went on and on.

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The Olympians prevailed finally capturing the Titans.

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Whenever we have references to Mount Olympus,

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it is described to be this magnificent palace.

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And the temple walls were always gleaming of gold or gleaming with silver,

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and a lot of little lights that they described as jewels,

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some blinking lights and all those things.

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Well, if you look at that from a modern perspective,

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what if Mount Olympus and Mount Othris

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were basically the command posts where the Olympians and the Titans

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drew up their battle plans?

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And when I say command posts,

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I'm talking about a functioning military outpost in the mountains

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for an all-out war between extraterrestrials.

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Could the stories of the war between the Olympians and the Titans

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actually be describing a battle between extraterrestrial forces?

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And did Mount Olympus and Mount Othris serve as their tactical military basis?

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And if so, might there be other strategic reasons

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why extraterrestrials may have chosen mountains

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as their point of contact with Earth?

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Ancient astronaut theorists say the evidence can be found

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in a mysterious mountain dwelling where a prince ascended to the stars.

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Hubei Province, Central China

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Covering an area of over 100 square miles,

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Wudang Mountain has long served as a sacred center

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of China's oldest surviving religion.

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Daoism

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This ancient religion emphasizes living in harmony with the Dao,

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the energy that is the driving force behind everything that exists in the universe.

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Located high in the mist-covered peaks and cliffs of Wudang Mountain,

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is a remarkable Daoist complex of temples and palaces,

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some dating back to the 7th century AD.

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This is where Daoism began, and this mountain is still revered today.

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Very sacred mountain, many pilgrims go there to experience some of these temples,

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some that are devoted to Daoist philosophy, others to martial arts.

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The most famous temple of all is called the Nanyang Temple.

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All the features in this temple are built right into the side of a mountain,

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and it's considered one of the most important temples in all of China.

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According to accounts from the Song Dynasty,

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it was here that the Daoist hero Chen Wu abandoned his role as a prince

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to seek spiritual enlightenment in the Wudang Mountains in the 27th century BC.

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The stories of Chen Wu describe him as possessing many magical abilities,

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including the power to summon thunder and lightning.

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Chen Wu translates as the perfected warrior,

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and he was particularly solicited for his exorcistic healing powers

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and also for protecting the nation.

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It was a very powerful protective deity.

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Perhaps the most famous account of Chen Wu's incredible abilities

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is believed to have taken place on the very location of the Nanyang Temple itself.

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The Nanyang Temple has a very peculiar site.

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It's marked by a 2.9 meter horizontal pillar or beam

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that extends over a very deep ravine right below it.

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And at the end of this pillar or beam,

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you have an incense burner that has been placed where the heads of two dragons meet.

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It's believed that this pillar marks the spot where Chen Wu first fathomed the cosmic truths of Daoism,

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and upon fathoming these truths, he straddled two dragons

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and ascended up to the skies.

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Chen Wu flew upward.

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He flew on to his reward to transcend itself and became one with heaven.

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And this gives a sense of the connection between the divine and the mountains.

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So it is considered a central shrine in the Daoist tradition,

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a place of great holiness.

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It is also spectacularly beautiful.

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I find the story of Chen Wu interesting because we have another example of somebody

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having disappeared into the sky when he left.

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He took off back into the sky to return to the stars.

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Now what does that mean?

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Riding on a dragon because dragons, as we think of them today, never existed.

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They were misunderstood technology, misunderstood machines.

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So you have to wonder if this dragon that they were describing isn't really some kind of spaceship.

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If Chen Wu was using the Wudang Mountain and the cliff face that was so inaccessible

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as his launching pad to make his journey,

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the people down below would look up and they would see this fiery dragon

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and lights in the sky and a roar of flame and thunder.

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And to them it was a dragon.

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People were so blown away by this that it not only becomes legend,

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it becomes religion and it becomes the centerpiece of faith.

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When we see the Nanyang Temple, we're seeing some sort of physical artifact left behind

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to support the notion that Chen Wu was able to reach the top of this mountain

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and then head directly into the heavens.

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It's a very real report of extraterrestrial and human interaction

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which was then documented with the construction of this temple.

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Was Chen Wu an extraterrestrial?

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Did he use the Wudang Mountain as a launching site for his return to the stars?

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Ancient astronaut theorists say yes

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and believe it was not the only mountain to be visited by other worldly beings.

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Tutti Chif Kaman, Macedonia, 2001

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Archaeologists investigating this volcanic peak, 3300 feet above sea level

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discover what they believe to be the remains of a nearly 4,000 year old observatory.

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The Kokino Observatory in Macedonia has been recognized by NASA

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as one of the most impressive observatories of its kind in the world.

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The others being the Cambodian temples and Stonehenge itself.

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It's composed of four thrones that were carved out of stone

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that face east, the direction of the rising sun.

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In addition to the four thrones,

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our man-made markers carved into the eastern rock wall

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that track celestial movements with remarkable precision.

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This location also tracks the movement of the sun,

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tracking the solstices and the equinoxes.

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And in fact, they've discovered that the Kokino Observatory

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is a kind of lunar calendar that shows the phases of the moon

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and the 19 year eclipse cycle, which is something that Stonehenge does as well.

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So what we're looking at here is something that is very advanced knowledge

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and we don't know where they got this from.

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It tracks the movement of the moon

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and also the movement and location of the Pleiades.

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In many ancient cultures throughout the world,

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including the Egyptians, Greeks, Mayans, Celts,

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and numerous Native American tribes,

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the Pleiades star cluster is associated with the gods

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and in some cases even the origins of the human race.

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The earliest known depiction of this star cluster

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is an artifact known as the Nebra Skydisk,

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which dates back to approximately the 17th century BC.

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The same time period, most archeologists believe,

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the Kokino Observatory was built.

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But according to ancient astronaut theorists,

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a connection to the Pleiades is not the only aspect of Kokino

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that is curiously similar to other ancient cultures.

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But what I find fascinating about Kokino

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is that these stone thrones aren't exclusive to Kokino,

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but those stone thrones can be found all around the world.

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In fact, we find the exact same structures at Saksehuaman in Peru,

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in Greece, in Italy.

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When you put all this together, it makes one wonder

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if in fact this was a site that was visited long ago

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by star beings or extraterrestrials,

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and that they who created this observatory

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were perhaps commemorating something that they experienced

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as a result of an encounter with these beings.

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Is the Kokino Observatory evidence of an otherworldly presence

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in the mountains of Macedonia?

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Did extraterrestrials use locations like these

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to share scientific knowledge with early humans?

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Ancient astronaut theorists say yes,

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and as further proof, they point to numerous cultures

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that believe otherworldly beings visit the mountains,

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even to this day.

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The Peruvian Andes, 2009

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Tens of thousands of people from all over the region

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journey to the Sinikara Valley, near Asangate Mountain

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for the Kulio Riti or Snowstar Festival.

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Historical records show that local Catholics

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adopted this annual celebration back in 1780,

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but most experts agree it likely dates back hundreds

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and possibly thousands of years earlier.

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And although no one knows exactly when

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or why the Snowstar Festival was started,

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oral traditions maintain that it has always been time

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to a star cluster the native Quechua people call Kulka,

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or as it's known to many other cultures, the Pleiades.

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The same star cluster that is tracked

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by the Kokino Observatory in Macedonia.

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The Kulio Riti Festival seems to go back to a much earlier festival

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that ties in literally with the stars,

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in particular the Kulio Riti Festival.

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The Kulio Riti Festival is tied to the Kulio Riti Festival

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with the stars, in particular the Pleiades,

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which disappears in April in the southern hemisphere

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from the view in that area, and then reappears in June.

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And this can be tied to agricultural seasons.

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Is it merely coincidence that an ancient mountain observatory

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10 miles away in Peru are both associated

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with the Pleiades star cluster?

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Perhaps further clues can be found

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in the rituals of the Snowstar Festival.

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The Quechua people, the descendants of the ancient Incas,

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return to this location every year

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to be surrounded by four sacred mountains.

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In hopes of gaining good fortune,

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they spend several days dressed in traditional costumes,

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dancing and making ceremonial offerings to the Apu,

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the spirits of the mountains.

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In the ancient civilization of the Incas,

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there is a belief that there are spirits in the mountains.

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They're called Apu,

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and ceremonial leaders, chieftains, priests

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and make connection can get some wisdom and guidance.

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They are benevolent spirits.

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Each mountain has its own Apu spirit.

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The Apus are supernatural things, but they are not deities,

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so people are not necessarily praying to them.

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Rather, they are in a relationship with them,

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asking them for the favor that they can provide.

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The Incas were very specific in believing

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that the Apu actually existed as tangible entities

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who they were interacting with

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and who they were in fact very much beholden to

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for their technology, for their civilization.

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You have to wonder if these Apus were in fact extraterrestrials

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that the Incas were in contact with.

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And today, the people return to these mountains

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to have some kind of contact and perhaps advice from the Apus.

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Might the Apu have been extraterrestrial beings?

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Beings who came to Earth from the Pleiades star cluster

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and interacted with the Incas in ancient times.

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Perhaps the answers can be found

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in the culmination of the festival itself.

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At the close of the celebration,

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select members of the Ketua community

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prepare to make the treacherous journey up the mountain glacier.

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They go in search of ice they were to as the snow star.

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The pilgrims go up to the top of the mountain

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and they ask the Apu if they can have some of this ice.

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It's intentionally something that's supposed to be grueling.

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Some people have even been known to die along the way.

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That particular ice is supposed to have healing properties

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and those that take the journey

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have good health for the rest of their life.

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So it is a gift from the Apus

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that they go and take and bring back down to the village.

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They believe a glacier ice

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has unique healing capabilities.

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Now it is possible the presence of an extraterrestrial craft

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which the indigenous people may refer to as a star,

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as it landed,

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created some sort of intrinsic energy to the ice in that area,

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giving that ice actually a tangible healing power.

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Throughout the ancient world,

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we learn of extraterrestrials depositing treasures

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in knowledge in sacred mountains.

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It's possible that that's what we're seeing here

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with the snow star ritual.

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Its very name tells us that it comes from beyond the Earth.

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Did extraterrestrials really visit the mountains of Peru?

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And might they have left behind healing technology

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in the glacial ice of the Andes?

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If so, might there be evidence

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in other parts of the world

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that mountains served as points of connection

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between humans and other worldly beings?

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Shandong Province, China

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Referred to as the cosmic peak of the East,

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Mount Tai has been a site of pilgrimage and worship

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for 3,000 years.

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Mount Tai is considered an extremely powerful place,

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a place where people can communicate with the divine.

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In Chinese antiquity, 72 emperors were believed

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to have made the pilgrimage to Mount Tai.

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They would do ceremonies there that were crucial to their reign.

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If they did the ceremonies correctly,

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they gained the approval of the gods

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and the legitimacy that stems from that.

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If they made a mistake,

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an entire dynasty could be in trouble.

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In 110 BC, Emperor Wu of the Han dynasty

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made the first of several journeys to Mount Tai during his reign.

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According to the historical accounts of scribe Sima Qian,

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mysterious sightings were reported during his time on the mountain.

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There seems to have been a beam of light

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that appeared off into the horizon,

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and there was a mysterious white cloud

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that emerged from the mound where the sacrifice was performed.

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In a historical record, a white cloud and a beam of light

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appeared as though he summoned them.

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So what is really being described here?

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And why must his followers stay behind?

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It reads much more like an encounter

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with some type of extraterrestrial craft

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that was misinterpreted as some type of a divine event.

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The Chinese believed that the emperors

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were actually communicating with the gods.

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So it's possible that in fact, the ETs were guiding Chinese civilization

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through their leaders.

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Were the emperors of ancient China in contact with extraterrestrials?

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And might this story suggest that mountains like Mount Tai

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served as a kind of communication portal to places beyond the Earth?

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Perhaps the answers can be found, not on the tops of mountains,

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but on the tops of man-made structures found all over the world.

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Shikoku, Japan.

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Here, towering 6,500 feet over this ancient island, is Mount Ishizuchi,

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one of the most revered mountains in all of Japan.

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The Sharp Summit is called Tengu Daki,

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named after the fearsome demons known as Tengu,

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thought to live not only here, but in mountains all over Japan.

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These are fierce bird-like creatures they are frightening to look at.

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They've got feathers and force and sharp teeth, shimmering wings.

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They've got claws and beaks.

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And yet they're persons, they're somewhere between a bird and a person,

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but in a very frightening form.

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The Karasu Tengu, which translates as Kro Tengu,

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are born out of these giant eggs.

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And these creatures are typically very mischievous and even malevolent towards humans.

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They like to play tricks on them,

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they like to make them lose their way in the mountain.

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They often kidnap people as well.

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One story about Tengu concerns Mount Ishizuchi.

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A 6-year-old boy went missing at the top of the mountain, Tengu Peak.

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When they asked him what had happened,

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he said that he had left the trail

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and that an all-black human-like figure from behind said,

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if you are lost, I will help you close your eyes.

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And the next thing he knew, he was back home safe and sound.

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Belief in the Tengu was widespread.

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In fact, as recently as 1860,

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the Edo government posted an official notice to the Tengu,

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ordering them to evacuate the mountains before Ashogun's upcoming visit.

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But did these strange and powerful beings really exist?

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And if so, what were the Tengu?

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All over the world, we have stories of what we call birdmen, like the Tengu.

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And these are men that are often depicted with wings on their backs.

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They're able to fly.

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And you have to wonder if really these aren't some kind of extraterrestrials.

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Then that the wings are purely symbolic,

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but they're called birdmen and have wings because they can fly.

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They can fly on their spaceships.

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The biggest creatures are the biggest gods that we can talk about

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with wings are none other than the Anunnaki.

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And to this day, in museums all around the world,

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we can see them as these winged, majestic beings

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with muscular bodies and these massive wings.

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The Sumerian mythologies proclaim that the Anunnaki will return one day.

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And so the question is, is it possible that they never left?

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And what better place to go than the mountains?

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Because it will be a logical place to escape detection.

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Might the accounts of the Tengu really be describing Anunnaki?

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Did the same beings that walked amongst the ancient Sumerians

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take refuge in the mountains of Japan?

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And if so, might they also have hidden in other mountains throughout the world?

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Reaching a height of over 24,000 feet from its base under the ocean.

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Mount Teide is the third largest volcano in the world.

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The surrounding region was once home to the mysterious Quanche people

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thought to live on the islands as far back as 200 BC.

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After the Spanish invaded in the 15th century,

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the native culture and traditions quickly disappeared.

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But some ancient astronaut theorists believe a series of pyramids

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found near Mount Teide were built by the Quanche

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and may provide more clues about this ancient civilization.

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The Quanche people are fascinating because there is so much that we don't know about them.

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The Quanche people are a real mystery.

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They mummified their dead, so we're able to attain what information

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we do have about them through looking at some of these mummies.

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The Quanche are also pyramid builders.

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And the pyramids that they are building resemble the earliest step pyramids in Egypt,

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but also the step pyramids that we see throughout the Mayan culture.

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Quite close to Mount Teide, there are a series of pyramids

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that seem to have some relationship to the mountain or volcano.

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And there may have even been representations of that mountain itself,

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but they also were places of communication with the gods,

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but who those gods were is lost today.

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But for what purpose were the Mount Teide pyramids built?

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Were they meant to be places of worship?

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Or could it be, as ancient astronaut theorists suggest,

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that they were constructed to welcome other worldly visitors?

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Perhaps the answers may be found in the mythology of the Quanche people.

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The Quanche also believed that Mount Teide was a huge pyramid put there by the gods.

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They also believed that they are seeing gods coming and going from this mountain.

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But perhaps what they're really seeing is extraterrestrial vehicles

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coming and going from the mountain.

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The ancient Egyptians called their step pyramids the stairway to heaven

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and maintained that the gods themselves taught them how to build these structures.

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It's possible that the Quanche step pyramids were built based on instructions from the same gods

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and that they too are portals or gateways to heaven.

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Is it possible that the Quanche people built these pyramids not for mythical gods,

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but as launching pads for actual beings that visited them in the distant past?

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Ancient astronaut theorists say yes

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and point to strange sightings that continue around Mount Teide even to this day.

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That region has had more than a share of interesting UFO sightings.

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Not just of UFO sightings, but really dramatic, I mean, off-the-charts dramatic UFO sightings.

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In June of 1976, people on the ground saw this glowing, large, three-story high, almost like a globe

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that at times was transparent and in fact the Spanish military investigated this particular case.

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And they were left with something that was truly unknown, truly extraordinary.

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Did the Quanche people witness extraterrestrials coming and going from Mount Teide

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in the distant past?

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Many ancient astronaut theorists believe that not only have aliens landed on mountains,

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but that they may even have created elaborate bases deep inside of them.

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Bougarache, France, 2012

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Believing that the end of the Mayan calendar is a prediction of the apocalypse,

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thousands descend on this mountain village, hoping to be rescued by extraterrestrials.

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Bougarache has been known as a holy mountain since time immemorial in this part of France.

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There is something truly magnetic about this mountain that is bringing people to come and watch it.

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There is so much UFO activity, there are so many unidentified lights,

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unidentified objects are seen around that mountain that people come from all over Europe to observe Bougarache.

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All throughout the mountain is a vast labyrinth of limestone caves.

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These limestone caves have led a number of people to believe that this is actually some kind of alien base,

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that extraterrestrials are living inside the mountain, and in fact they've been living there for thousands of years.

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So what happened in 2012 is that all sorts of doomsday groups flocked to the area

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because they felt like it would be the only place that would be safe from the devastation and destruction

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that would engulf the entire planet.

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They believed that the aliens were going to come out and protect anybody who was encamped in the area,

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and that they would be the ones who would start the new world that would come afterwards.

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Could extraterrestrials really be living inside a mountain in France,

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remaining undetected for thousands of years?

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And if so, might there be other similar mountains secretly housing otherworldly civilizations?

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Mount Shasta, California

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Dominating the landscape at over 14,162 feet,

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this mountain has inspired strange and incredible stories for thousands of years.

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The local Native Americans have always felt there was something special about Mount Shasta.

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It was thought that humankind actually originated from within Mount Shasta,

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that there was a great cataclysm, and that the people of planet Earth actually hid within the mountain.

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When the cataclysm had passed, the people were able to come out of Mount Shasta and repopulate the world.

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A book came out in the 1890s proposing the idea that there was a culture that lived within subterranean chambers in Mount Shasta.

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The book came out in the 1990s, and it was a very interesting book.

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Over the years, there have been a number of very significant UFO sightings around Mount Shasta,

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and you have to wonder why is that the case.

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I don't think we can rule out the idea of some sort of permanent presence buried deep within Mount Shasta itself.

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Could alien beings really be living on planet Earth, hidden inside mountains?

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And if so, might they have built advanced civilizations, not only within Mount Shasta, but in mountains across the world?

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Great mountains have been objects of fascination and veneration for as long as we have stories.

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They reach to the heavens. They have hidden crevices and caves.

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They are also dangerous, so we have the severity issues of life and death.

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So in every corner of the planet there have been special and sacred mountains.

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Throughout the world we find myths and legends of sacred mountains that are not only landing places,

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or places where the gods or star beings descended, but also places that became their sanctuary.

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And humans have been almost magnetically attracted to these places since the beginning of recorded history.

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So it's entirely possible that the extraterrestrials set up space bases and mountains all over the

world.

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That way they could watch humanity help guide us, and if necessary intervene again in human affairs as they had done in the past.

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And perhaps this is why we're drawn to mountains.

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We instinctively know that the extraterrestrial gods are there, and always have been.

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Are the Earth's mountains really the sites of alien visitations that occurred thousands of years ago?

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Did extraterrestrials use remote mountain peaks to interact with early man to guide the course of our civilization,

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or simply to live among us undetected?

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Might this explain why humans continue to worship mountains as places of divine, or even other worldly connection?

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Perhaps one day we'll discover that not only were our mountains inhabited by extraterrestrials in the distant past,

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but that in fact they still are.

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