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They transform their appearance right before our eyes.

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They're able to go from being totally human looking

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to dangerous beasts that can tear people to pieces.

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They can turn into bats or a sudden mist and disappear.

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The most terrifying form is they can't steal the face of a loved one

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and lure you to your doom.

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Accounts of creatures able to morph from one form into another

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can be found all over the world and throughout history.

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We have to ask the question,

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what is the core of truth behind those legends?

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When you look at all the different legends,

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we have a very strong connection between shape-shifters and extra treasures.

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Is it possible that Earth has been infiltrated by shape-shifting beings

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from another planet?

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What if there are millions of extraterrestrials that are walking amongst us

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and some might they reveal their true appearance?

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There is a doorway in the universe.

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Beyond it is the promise of truth.

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It demands we question everything we have ever been taught.

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The evidence is all around us.

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The future is right before our eyes.

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We are not alone.

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We have never been alone.

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The Apache Sitgraves National Forest, Arizona

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November 5th, 1975

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22-year-old forest re-worker Travis Walton

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is driving home after sundown with a group of coworkers

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when suddenly a strange light appears in the sky.

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I noticed some little glimmers of light coming through the trees

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and the light seemed to be coming from higher than where ground level would be.

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It was only when we got to where this light was crossing the road

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that we had an unobstructed view of the craft.

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It was a clearly visible, clearly defined metallic object.

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A disc hovering there, outlined against the sky.

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I threw open the door, thinking I'd get a closer look before it took off.

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As I got closer to it, the sound it was making, it was a sound you both heard and felt.

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And the crew said they could feel the vibration in the truck.

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They said it seemed like something was about to happen.

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And it was.

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That's when this energy hit me.

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The crew said that it was like I'd stepped on a landmine.

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Like an explosion so violent that they thought it had killed me.

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When this beam of energy hit me, I felt like a physical blow

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but with a sort of a tingling sort of an electric shock sort of feeling at the same time.

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I don't know whether I came too soon after I was taken aboard.

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But I knew I was on some kind of an elevated gurney or operating table.

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I was looking straight into the face of this creature and I just flipped out.

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He sees these grey extraterrestrials around him and he panics and he begins to struggle very violently.

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And so those grey extraterrestrials leave that room.

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And then shortly afterwards you have two human looking extraterrestrials walking in.

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In the case of these human looking ones, I started to have serious misgivings that this was a rescue.

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And that's when they put this mask over my face and I just blacked out real quickly.

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Now the suspicion here was that actually these weren't different aliens.

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These were the same aliens but they were capable of shape shifting into something else specifically to calm him down.

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Travis Walton's story has become one of the most famous alien abduction cases ever reported

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and was even adapted into a movie in 1993.

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But if true, was he abducted by beings that are able to shape shift and mimic humans?

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While Travis Walton's account is extraordinary, it is not entirely unique.

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There are many stories of these abductees who see these non-human looking extraterrestrials, these greys,

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who then are replaced by beings that look human.

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And this seems to be extraterrestrials using this shapeshifting ability to make it look as though human extraterrestrials are there.

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In 2013, public policy polling released data that showed 12 million Americans believe that shape shifting beings live amongst us.

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One of the most intriguing conspiracies today is that of the shapeshifting aliens.

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The idea that perhaps there is a class of entities on our world today that is able to represent itself as humans at will.

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These extraterrestrials that are hidden from the rest of the normal human society around them.

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There is a theory that there are aliens among us, aliens in human form.

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There's an advanced guard, a fifth column called it what you like, but the idea that perhaps as a prelude to a full scale alien invasion,

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they infiltrate, they get their people into positions of power and one could be walking right past you and you wouldn't know.

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People think of disclosure as being the archetypal landing on the White House lawn, spaceships in the sky.

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What if it's actually not that? What if aliens are already here?

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While the notion that shapeshifting extraterrestrials are living among the human race may sound like something ripped from a science fiction movie,

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this concept was actually prevalent among people living thousands of years ago.

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In ancient times, nearly every culture across the globe described their gods as not only descending from the sky,

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but also having the ability to transform their appearance.

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Shapeshifting has shown up throughout history in shamanic lore in the great religions, the Olympians in Greece,

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the Hindu gods would change shape, the Egyptian gods.

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There's something about this idea that particularly the gods can change you to another person or become an animal.

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These stories are not just here to entertain us, they're here to make sense of our relationship to the world and to the gods.

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And that is not a world that we have a lot of control over.

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And that ultimately is a terrifying thing because when they come down to our world in whatever shape they take,

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we are subject to the whims of the gods.

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Our tales of shapeshifting beings are mere manifestation of a deep-seated fear that we are not in control of our own reality.

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Curiously, a common element found in many of these ancient stories is that the reason the gods changed shape was so that they could navigate the human world undetected.

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In order to traffic in the human world, the gods have to take on a human shape or something that exists in the human world.

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Zeus in particular wants to have sexual relations with human beings, with women.

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Zeus takes the form of a bull, an especially beautiful bull, which attracts the interest of Europa, who was a Phoenician princess.

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In the Greek story, Europa climbs aboard this bull.

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Together they cross over the Mediterranean to the island of Crete.

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Zeus shapeshifts back into himself as Zeus, the god, impregnates Europa.

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So this is Zeus using shapeshifting as a way to attract a human female and ultimately to create a new island civilization in Crete.

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Zeus changes himself into a bull, changes himself into an eagle.

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He changes himself into a golden rain shower.

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For practical reasons, the gods need to disguise themselves because if they show up in the human world undisguised, then it'll wreak havoc.

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And the limitation of our imagination is that they sort of look like us.

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They may not. We don't really know.

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They have to take a shape that our puny mortal minds are capable of comprehending.

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Throughout history, we have these stories of ancient gods being able to shape shift.

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So you have to ask the question, what is the core of truth behind those legends?

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Could there be some significance to the fact that in story after story, coming from all parts of the world, gods are said to change shape to interact with humans?

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Is it possible that at some point, the ancient people actually witnessed extraterrestrials changing shape?

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We have many stories in the past and legends and myths of shapeshifting gods.

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The Greeks have many stories of this, the Hindus, the Sumerians.

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All over the world we have these stories.

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And you have to wonder if it might have something to do with shapeshifting extraterrestrials.

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The ancient astronaut theory tries to decipher misunderstood technology in mythological stories.

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This whole idea of shapeshifting is rooted solidly in the concept of misunderstood technology.

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Actual flesh and blood extraterrestrials were able to change their appearance with technology.

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Perhaps they had an invisibility cloak, or they had a cloak with which they could change themselves into whatever they wanted.

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This was witnessed by the people and this is how these stories came into existence.

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If extraterrestrials inspired the ancient stories of shapeshifting gods, as ancient astronaut theorists suggest,

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were they here only in the distant past, or have they remained with us for thousands of years?

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And what could be their reason for hiding among humans?

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Sulawesi, Indonesia, 1998

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Here, hidden along the ocean floor, researchers discover a new and unusual creature.

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The mimic octopus.

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This highly intelligent cephalopod is capable of not only instantly changing its color and skin texture,

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but it can also transform its body to take on the form of many other creatures.

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The mimic octopus is remarkable.

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It's been known to mimic flounder, which are like flatfish live on the bottom of the ocean.

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Sea snakes with the striping.

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And also lionfish, remarkably, which have all these feathery appendages.

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It's been documented to essentially impersonate at least 15 different marine species.

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With three hearts, nine brains, and roughly double the number of genes of a human,

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some scientists have speculated that the octopus may well be from another planet.

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In 2018, a group of 33 scientists proclaimed in a peer-reviewed paper

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that the octopus actually has alien DNA and might have originated elsewhere.

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Now, when we think about that, you have to think,

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well, what might extraterrestrials actually be like?

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Could they be like the octopus?

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Could they, in fact, be shapeshifters?

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We automatically assume that extraterrestrials might be humanoid, that they might look like us.

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But the fact of the matter is that they could, in fact, be shapeshifters

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able to change their form into anything they want to be.

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If the octopus is not indigenous to Earth,

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could that point to the possibility that intelligent alien beings

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have also arrived here that have the biological ability to shapeshift?

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The evolution of things like krypsis or the ability to camouflage oneself.

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On Earth, we know the selective pressure for that is primarily sort of predator-prey relationships.

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Krypsis is basically a trait to escape detection by a predator

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if you're an animal that gets eaten,

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or to escape detection by your prey if you happen to be a predator.

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I think selective pressure would certainly drive the evolution of krypsis on other planets as well.

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Given that shapeshifting has a clear evolutionary benefit,

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it's certainly possible that this capability evolved not just here on Earth,

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but elsewhere in the universe.

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It's perfectly possible there's other life out there, including intelligent life,

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civilizations that have the capability to shapeshift.

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We have to wonder if this technology is something that they just naturally have

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as part of their biological DNA,

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or are they using some technology that's doing this for them?

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So it could be either, and even a combination of both.

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In the animal kingdom, the ability to shapeshift has evolved to conceal both the hunter and the hunted.

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But if shapeshifting extraterrestrials truly are hiding among us,

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did they evolve as prey or predators?

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Karachi, Pakistan, 2016

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A 25-year-old mother of three is taken to a local physician

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after displaying increasingly bizarre behavior.

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She speaks in gibberish and complains of being plagued by disturbing visions and strange voices.

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Her family claims she is possessed by supernatural beings known as the Jinn.

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Jinn is an Arabic term that means to hide, to conceal.

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The Quran says that they are created of fire without smoke.

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Smokeless fire.

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It talks about the Jinn being able to take animal form.

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It talks about the Jinn being able to take the form of natural phenomena, the wind, for example.

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And so you will have people to this day in the Muslim world who will say that this person is

possessed by Jinn,

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that they're not physically ill, they're not mentally ill.

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The Jinn were allegedly created before humankind by God.

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They can take any shape to beguile you and to tempt you,

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because part of the role is to test humanity.

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Encounters with the Jinn are reported frequently in certain parts of the world,

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and millions of people continue to believe in their existence.

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Similar shapeshifting beings can also be found in other ancient traditions,

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and are so common that modern mythologists have grouped them into a category called trickster gods.

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The trickster is the god of transitions, of change.

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They're not always fun to encounter, because they pull the rug out from under us.

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They're in charge of mischief and mayhem.

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In the Norse tradition, we have the trickster character known as Loki.

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Loki is a shapeshifter.

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In some stories, he's a salmon.

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Sometimes a fly.

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According to Hindu mythology, the Anabas are demons.

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So they have special power to change shape, to delude others,

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to confuse others, to appear in any form they wish.

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We find this in the Celtic fairy lore as well, where the fairies are able to shapeshift.

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But in their deepest and darkest sense, they're seeking to extract something from humanity.

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Some of these encounters that we hear about with shapeshifting beings

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may be extraterrestrials.

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There's some good examples of this with the so-called greys.

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There's one incident where a large owl was seen that was about three foot high,

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and the witness just, this could not add up,

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and then suddenly it just changed back into a grey.

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Very strange.

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Deception runs through this whole phenomenon.

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The idea that the extraterrestrials are deceiving, seducing, tricking people.

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We see it in mythology.

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We see it in close encounters.

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Is it possible that accounts of shapeshifting beings,

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both in the remote past and in modern times,

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are not the product of overactive imaginations,

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but actual encounters with extraterrestrials?

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But if so, do they have a sinister agenda?

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Perhaps further clues can be found.

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By examining stories not of gods,

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but of monsters.

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Sigișuara, Romania.

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This picturesque Transylvanian town

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is the birthplace of Vlad Zepes,

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otherwise known as Vlad the Impaler,

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or Vlad Dracula.

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This infamous Romanian prince

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was known to drink the blood of his enemies

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and inspired the title of Bram Stoker's 1897 vampire novel, Dracula.

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In 2014, a tourist visiting a local church

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came across a painting so strange

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that she sent a photo of it

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to the Israeli extraterrestrials and UFOs research organization.

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In the hometown of Vlad the Impaler,

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upon whom the story of Dracula, the vampire, is based,

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we find the Church of the Dominican Monastery.

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And in this church is a 700-year-old painting

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that clearly portrays what most would identify as a circular craft,

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a UFO hovering over a building that is thought to be the church.

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We have this very strange jelly-mold shaped saucer

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hovering over the ancestral home of the great figure

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that really has given rise to the idea of Dracula, the vampire.

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Now, is there a link here, in some way,

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with this vampire legend and extraterrestrials?

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Is it possible that a 700-year-old painting in a church in Transylvania

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provides a connection between vampires and aliens?

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Could it be that the stories of these shape-shifting entities

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that are said to morph from human form into bats,

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wolves, and other creatures are based on real encounters?

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While Bram Stoker's Dracula is a work of fiction,

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it is inspired by historical events.

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In the classic vampire story from Bram Stoker's Dracula

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of the late 19th century,

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he did do some research into the Romanian traditions.

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As I say, they're very complicated

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and they tend to differ village from village even.

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So were there ever such things,

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paranormally speaking, as vampires?

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For a time, 15th, 16th, 17th, into the 18th century,

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in certain parts of the world, vampires did exist.

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Gliwica, Poland.

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During the construction of a roadway just outside this small town,

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a shocking discovery is made.

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Workers unearth a burial ground

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that provides a gruesome window into the past.

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It contains four skeletons, all decapitated.

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Recently in Poland, some graves were found

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that had unusual characteristics.

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The remains had the heads removed and placed on the legs.

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This was evidence of a ritual execution.

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Some theorists think these might have been suspected vampires.

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Archeologists estimate these burials date back to the 16th century,

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and according to the traditions that existed in Poland at that time,

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keeping the heads separated from the body

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would prevent the undead from coming back to life.

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Similar vampire graves have been found throughout Europe.

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Some, even containing bodies, with stakes driven through the hearts.

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When we think about vampires, we think of Bram Stoker's Dracula,

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or indeed Hollywood portrayals of vampires.

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But for the peoples of Europe, particularly in Eastern Europe,

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the idea of vampires was a very frightening and very real supernatural phenomena,

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which was something that they had to guard themselves against,

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because the vampires were shapeshifters.

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And the most frightening thing about these was that they had to sustain their existence

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by drinking the blood of animals or human beings.

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While the modern concept of the vampire was informed by European folklore,

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similar shapeshifting beings with a thirst for blood

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have been reported throughout the ancient world,

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like the Raksasas, described in the Sanskrit texts of India.

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In the scriptures, raksasas have special power to change shape.

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Raksasa is a flesh-eating demon.

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That raksasa loves to eat flesh.

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All across the globe, we have mythology that represents some kind of vampiric type entities.

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There's the Edimu in the Sumerian texts.

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There's the Zhangxi in China.

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All these classes of entities that seem to be in some way interested in human blood.

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But is there a real root to this?

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Is there some kind of entity that's interested in human blood?

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Could these bloodthirsty abominations be more than just fantasy?

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As far as ancient astronaut theorists are concerned,

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the centuries-old tales of vampires bear striking similarities to a very modern phenomenon.

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Accounts of alien abduction.

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When we talk about vampire experiences,

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we break them down into there is the Sun,

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we break them down into there is the sighting,

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then there is the trapping of one's old mind and the luring of the person into the vampire.

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But alien abductions are exactly the same way.

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Abductees report they are transfixed by a light,

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a figure approaches them, the figure engages with them,

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and the figure takes them away.

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Central to alien abductions is the idea of some sort of medical procedure.

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Some people say that DNA is taken,

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but in other cases blood seems to have been removed.

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Very often the person is immobilized in these abduction reports,

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and yet when you look at the Vedic texts, the Chinese legends, the European legends,

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one can draw these links between vampires and UFOs and abductions.

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We have a very strong connection between vampires and extraterrestrials,

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but is it possible that extraterrestrials somehow need our blood?

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If stories of vampires have been inspired by extraterrestrial encounters,

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as ancient astronaut theorists suggest,

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might they reveal that blood plays an essential role in the ability to shape shift?

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Perhaps further clues can be found by examining humanity's own efforts

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to transform life on Earth through the manipulation of DNA.

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North Yorkshire, England, 2015.

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Under layers of dense peat, they uncover a ritualistic headdress that is 11,000 years old,

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one that would have been worn by a shaman or priest.

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As long as there's been people, there's been the idea that certain people,

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certain special people, can shift their shape.

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And the priests of the ancient magical world, the shamans,

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allegedly had the ability to shift their shape into an animal.

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Curiously, in recent years, the site and its surrounding region

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have become renowned for reports of a horrific shapeshifter known as the Flixden Weirwolf.

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A number of very odd experiences have been occurring there over the last 50 years or so.

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These include the appearance of a strange biped with either a canine or wolf-like head.

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In other words, half wolf, half human.

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And in addition to this, there have been many strange sightings of mysterious light forms

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and structured craft, UFOs, in the same vicinity.

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We have UFO activity and what would be werewolf activity in Europe, particularly in Yorkshire.

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And so we have to wonder, is there some connection between UFO activity and these shapeshifters?

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It would seem so.

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In 2016, nearly a dozen sightings of the Flixden Weirwolf were reported in the nearby town of Hall,

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just 50 miles south of Starkhar.

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Witnesses claim to have seen the creature feasting on the blood and flesh of local dogs,

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leaving residents gripped by terror.

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For the peoples of Europe in the past, this was a very real threat.

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It was believed that there were certain individuals that could transform themselves,

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shapeshift into a particular animal.

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Most obviously a wolf, and whilst these individuals were in the form of a werewolf,

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it was believed that to sustain their existence, they had to have the blood and life force

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of either animals or human beings.

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Among the many stories of shapeshifting beings, from vampires to werewolves,

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and even modern alien abduction accounts, a recurring theme is the need for blood.

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And as far as ancient astronaut theorists are concerned, it's very possible that these beings

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need something contained within the blood in order to shapeshift.

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DNA.

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Now, could it be that in some way this shapeshifting ability could be harnessed

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by blending of the genes of a species to just morph into whatever you need to look like instantaneously?

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The priority is genetic harvesting, because they can mix and match genes at a sophisticated level

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and can make any body container that they want.

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And then they can use it as camouflage.

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And so one of our greatest questions is who walks around on our planet, looks human, but is not?

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If there really are alien shapeshifters here on Earth, might they require DNA in order to mimic a human or animal form?

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Over the past 30 years, advances in gene-splicing technology have allowed humanity to begin experimenting

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with cloning and transforming earthly creatures.

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In 2019, researchers in China announced they had created the first hybrid embryos that are part human and part monkey.

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Similar experiments have been done around the world, crossing human DNA with pigs, sheep, and soon mice and rats.

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We are seeing modern technology able to create these kinds of cross species.

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So what geneticists are able to do is actually clip pieces of a DNA strand, insert a new strand in to complete the sequence,

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and then put that back into a cell.

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When it's able to grow and become an embryo and then grow into a full being, it has this different DNA sequence in it.

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When you think about what we already know about gene editing, first of all, you know the technology is possible.

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So it is certainly well within the realm of possibility that an advanced civilization, an alien civilization,

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would have skills in gene editing far surpassing what we have now and could really do things that are actually unimaginable

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and outside the scope of what we're thinking.

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Could it be that the genetic modification that scientists are now able to achieve in a laboratory

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were perfected thousands of years ago by extraterrestrials?

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For ancient astronaut theorists, this possibility raises another intriguing question.

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Could they similarly alter the DNA of humans?

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The southwest region of France is home to some of the earliest examples of prehistoric art ever discovered.

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The caves of Lascaux, Neo, and Pashmel all contain rock paintings that date back more than 15,000 years.

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But among the ancient cave art, one image stands apart.

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Tucked inside the Trois-Fraer cave is the depiction of a mysterious figure known simply as the sorcerer.

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In the south of France, a cave was discovered with an image believed to be something like 15,000 years old.

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This might be the very earliest image we have of a deity.

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It's a stack, but it's human inside, so it seems to depict a shamanic ritual leader channeling animal powers.

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It has the body of a deer. It has the eyes of a owl.

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It has the tail, possibly, of a horse.

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But it's quite clearly standing on human legs and has human-like arms.

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And although it's been interpreted, perhaps, as the first god,

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more likely is that it represents a shaman who has transformed into one or more animals

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to move through the supernatural realms that the shaman is thought to have taken.

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While there is no written record to definitively identify cave art from 15,000 years ago,

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in the American Southwest, the notion of shamans transforming themselves into shapeshifters is still prevalent today.

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Skinwalker Wretch. You in Tau Basin, Utah.

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This 500-acre expanse has been plagued by reports of strange phenomena for decades.

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Phenomena that include both UFO sightings and accounts of a shapeshifting monster.

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Any paranormal activity that you can imagine has happened allegedly at the Skinwalker Ranch.

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You've seen UFOs. They have seen different creatures.

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They have seen weird things happening up in the sky.

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There's a history that not only goes back over the past 100 years,

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but over the past 1,000 years of activity happening in that area,

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some of which is connected to Navajo legends.

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Tales of shapeshifters called skinwalkers have existed since time immemorial.

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In the oral traditions of both the local Navajo and Yut populations,

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the shapeshifter for which Skinwalker Ranch is named has inhabited the area for centuries.

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But the story behind this creature is different from that of other shapeshifters.

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According to the Navajo, this Skinwalker is a human who has attained the ability to transform his body.

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A Skinwalker is the name that is given to a Navajo, shaman or witch,

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when they are in a supernatural form.

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Very often a Skinwalker will be a wolf, but it can be other animals as well.

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The native tradition concerning Skinwalkers is that these are actual people

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that have gained a certain type of power.

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They were given certain abilities, shape-changing and magic.

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When it comes to how the Skinwalker is able to change shape,

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the Navajo have a similar notion to that of ancient astronaut theorists.

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They believe it is connected to DNA.

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Our view on it is that they're manipulating the DNA of their own body.

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They do change shape and it's usually an animal that they have the skin for.

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And they'll use the skin and with a combination of chance can actually turn into that animal.

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And interestingly enough, in Navajo tradition,

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you are taught early on as a child, you don't leave your fingernail clippings,

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you don't spit on the ground and not cover it up.

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All of this has to do with the transmission of DNA.

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If extraterrestrials are harvesting DNA in order to shape-shift,

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as some ancient astronaut theorists suggest,

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is it possible that they could also bestow humans with this same ability?

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And might the Skinwalker be evidence of alien intervention?

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While it may sound far-fetched,

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former Navajo police officer Jonathan Dover is certain that the being called the Skinwalker is real.

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I spent 31 years in law enforcement.

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We've had many, many incidences where people have seen them chasing their vehicles

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as their vehicles are traveling at 60, 65 miles an hour.

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And having a human figure running behind you.

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I've had police officers arrest people and had them in handcuffs.

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They get to the station, they hadn't stopped anywhere, and the person is gone.

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Whether we have an alien presence, we don't know for sure.

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But there's enough information there that I would say don't take it lightly just because it's a different culture.

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Is the strange figure that was depicted on a cave wall in France 15,000 years ago

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alive and well in the American Southwest?

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Have there always been shape-shifters among us, both alien and human?

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And is it possible that new scientific developments are leading towards a future

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in which we could become the shape-shifters?

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Harvard University, October 2019

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Scientists developing shape-shifting technology announced their latest and most incredible creation.

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Lattices that can transform in response to changes in temperature.

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When researchers demonstrate the material's remarkable metamorphosis,

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as if by magic, the flat mesh morphs into a three-dimensional face

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of 19th-century mathematician Carl Friedrich Gauss.

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This has been used to take a flat sort of structure and turn it to look like a human face

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or other interesting sort of three-dimensional shape.

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When you talk about shape-shifting technologies,

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what you're seeing right now is our ability to control materials is really at a transformative.

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In the near future, shape-shifting materials like this could be utilized in many ways,

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from constructing smart fabrics and self-repairing electronics,

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to washing it the next generation of robotics and high-tech medical equipment.

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But ancient astronaut theorists see an even more profound possibility

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that these advancements, combined with our growing understanding of DNA manipulation,

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will unlock the potential for humans to harness the power of shape-shifting.

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In science fiction, one of the great ideas was the idea of being able to shape-shift,

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to change the color of your skin or to change your form, to turn into something else.

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And now high-tech companies are actually working on this today.

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In nature, we see animals that can suddenly shift colors, change their shapes.

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Could it be that in some way this ability could be harnessed and used in technologies?

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Or perhaps even a cybernetic blending of the genes of a species like this with a technology,

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allowing us to have these rapid shape-shifts to just morph into whatever you need to look like instantaneously.

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Human technology is advancing here by leaps and bounds.

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By all accounts, we already have pretty much optical invisibility,

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or certainly camouflage so good that it's almost indistinguishable.

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I mean, some of this is, of course, so classified we won't get to hear about it for years.

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But if you're reading hints about it here and there, you can bet that it already exists.

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We now have technology that is equal to what we see that God's using in these ancient stories.

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And now we're faced with a new reality.

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What if suddenly we realize that there are thousands, hundreds of thousands,

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maybe millions of extraterrestrials that are walking amongst us,

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and suddenly they reveal themselves for their true appearance?

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As humanity begins to harness the extraordinary abilities that ancient peoples associated with the gods,

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will we awaken to an incredible new reality?

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One in which we will not only achieve the power to shape-shift,

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but in the process, we'll discover that humans are not the only intelligent species on Earth.

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Perhaps a reunion with our alien ancestors will only happen

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when we are finally able to open our eyes and see that they are all around us.