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journey beyond knowledge beyond reason to a land we call the future. In the 16th century he was

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certainly the most famous of the prophets and today 400 years later we still heed his words.

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He foretold with crystal clarity the history of mankind before it happened. For a prophet to be

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as famous worldwide centuries after he lived shows that there must be something there. He has come

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to symbolize the occult the fantastic but he was very real. His mission was to warn us of many

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of the dire things he foresaw in coming human race. He was Nostradamus.

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What John was known was an unexplored world of shadows and phantoms.

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A land that knows no limits of time or space.

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From the dawn of discovery to the nightfall of catastrophe journey through a universe of the

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unexplained the unforeseen the unbelievable. A place beyond reality where no question will go

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unanswered. A place where myth and legend are all superstition of science.

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It's time for our journey to begin.

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You gazed into a future that has become our present and our past.

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Nostradamus the great prophet.

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Knowledge surrounds these liven ribbons. With these instruments that knowledge can be ours.

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What a piece of work is man. How noble and reason. How infinite in faculty. How like a god.

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William Shakespeare wrote those words in the late 16th century. A few years after the death of

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Michel de Nostradamus a French physician. Those beautiful words are appropriate.

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The legend of Nostradamus should be treated factually for the fantastic elements of his

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life need no embellishment. Born in December of 1503 in France he studied to become a physician.

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He first came to prominence during a plague where his unorthodox medical advice allegedly cured

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entire cities. He married and two children but saw them carried away by another plague.

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After this tragedy Nostradamus settled down in Salon France and began to experience

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mystical visions that would turn him into a legend even in his own time. In 1555 he

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read the first of a series of verse predictions called The True Centuries. These 354 verses called

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quadrenes have ensured Nostradamus' immortality and they have been in print for over 400 years

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translated and scrutinized for new meanings and insights. He died in 1566 and though he achieved

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celebrity in his lifetime it was in death that he would become legend or his words would live on

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through history even change history. Nostradamus lived in a turbulent era in fear of his life.

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The prophecy was considered a black art so his prophetic verses collected in books like these

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were written in code leaving future generations to decipher their meaning. Many of these prophecies

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have come to pass.

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One of the prophet's earliest predictions concerned the French king Henry II. Nostradamus

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defined that Henry the young lion would be pierced through one eye in a jousting accident

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and that is exactly what happened in 1559.

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Nostradamus foresaw that the people living in Paris would be stirred up against their king.

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A revolution that occurred in the French capital 200 years later, a revolution

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detailed in verses like these. The queen sent to death by judges chosen by Lot.

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Whereas this the justice meted out to Marie Antoinette, justice by Marbe and guillotine that also took the life of her son.

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Nostradamus not only foretold the rise of the Italian born Napoleon,

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the self-proclaimed emperor who conquered much of Europe through a series of bloody military campaigns

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but he also saw the coming of Adolf Hitler, born in Austria of poor parents, a man whose

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speeches mesmerized the multitudes of Germany. The great man will be struck down in the day by

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a thunderbolt and a great man was struck down in broad daylight in a place called Dallas.

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Nostradamus also wrote that another falls at night time and this too came to pass.

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He will come to take himself to the corner of Luna where he will be taken and placed on alien land.

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How could Nostradamus have predicted these astonishing events?

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There are several theories about where Nostradamus attained his powers. Nostradamus said it was a

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hereditary gift that would die with him. Nostradamus was one of a kind in his era.

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In the 16th century he was certainly the most famous of the prophets and today 400 years later

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we still heed his words. He would sit alone in his study at night. He had a breast tripod,

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he had a flame and he would concentrate and suddenly the divine power would enter him

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and he'd be able to make his predictions. What are the odds of these predictions coming to pass?

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There's something more concrete that might help us understand his prophetic accuracy.

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The science of mathematics.

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Nostradamus' prophetic verses are studied with dates, names and bits of information.

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If we take one of his less dramatic prophecies and break it down we may get some insight into

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his prophetic accuracy. This prophecy concerns an actual treaty signed in the late 1700s, 200 years

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after the prophet's death. Nostradamus predicted the year, the month and two locations, Persia and

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Turkey. Four correct guesses or something more. One translator of Nostradamus, Stuart Robb,

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commissioned a study of the odds of the prophet getting all of these facts correct.

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If we multiply and multiply again and again we come up with this amazing figure. It appears

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Nostradamus did see the future. That future is our future as well and there are interpretations of

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his unfulfilled prophecies that have grave implications for all of us. One of Nostradamus'

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most alarming pronouncements concerns the end of the 20th century when he predicts the coming

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of a king of terror at the beginning of the end of civilization as we know it. If today's

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headlines are any indication this future may already be upon us. Though Nostradamus rarely used dates,

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the year 1999 has special meaning but that is when he foresaw the final catastrophe.

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A fiery end also foretold in the bible. A day that has a sinister name.

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Armageddon, the end of mankind. Is that what the great prophet foretold?

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By studying his prophecies it may be possible to find out.

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Nostradamus has been interpreted and misinterpreted for centuries. The code he used to record his

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visions has obscured their meaning. Perhaps his prediction of Armageddon suffers from the same

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misinterpretation. Perhaps Armageddon, the end of mankind. Did Nostradamus see this apocalypse in

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our future? There's at least 12 prophecies where he lists famine, plague, blood, war, death for

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military hands. The great cycle comes to its finish. It's my opinion that he felt that the

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only way to wake us up is to scare us a little bit. One of the major events that we have to fear

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is the big war that's coming in 1999. That was one of the very few instances in which he gave

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an exact date. He does say 1999 and he says there'll be a tremendous conflict. Nobody wants war

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and our leaders are striving to protect us from war but yet the course is almost inevitable. That

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conflict will develop between the east and the west one way or another. In the great conflict in

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1999 he mentions Russia, he mentions China, he mentions powers from the mid-east and powers from

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the far east. In other words it's a world conflict. I don't want to stand in the year 1999 in  
July

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waving a dog-eared copy of my book as the nuclear ICBM contrails are coming down on the planet

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and say see I told you so. Nostradamus said that in July of 1999 the great king of terror would

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come and destroy the world. Listen, the recent history has taught us on just how carefully we

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should interpret these prophecies occurred in the 1930s and 40s when Nostradamus' words were used to

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justify the insane excesses of Adolf Hitler. Hitler himself is spoken of as a rise of Nazi power.

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He describes the swastika as a bent iron cross. He described it as a twisted cross that destroy

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people that annihilate people that come to power and he described it just where it would take place

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right at the Danube. He speaks about the alliance between France and England. He talks about the

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cock of France and the lion of England. Hitler was familiar with the writings of Nostradamus

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and he used his uh he used these really first propaganda purposes. Hitler used the great

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resources of uh Gerbils and his propaganda ministry to drop leaflets over France in 1940

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to show how their own countrymen Nostradamus predicted the fall of France which in fact he

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actually did. I have also heard that he wouldn't make any major moves without consulting what Nostradamus

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had said. Didn't help him very much in the end though. As the Nazis learned when their corrupt

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empire fell the prophecies can be interpreted in many ways and their misreading can lead to them

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becoming self-fulfilling or worse. Many people have taken Nostradamus' prophecies and claimed that

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they uh predict anything that's convenient for them. So many times people look at prophecy

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almost as an entertainment like we're looking at the future this is going to happen in the future.

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As far as I'm concerned if prophecy is not used to show us where we're going in this moment so that

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we can change it then it's worthless. The very Nostradamus has remembered the world over for words

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that may define our destiny. In Salon in France his grave lies undisturbed. The mortal remains of

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a man whose words remain immortal. A man who may have pushed back the boundaries of time and space.

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I think one of the most interesting things about reading uh the complete prophecies of Nostradamus

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and studying his prophecies is to try to understand what Nostradamus meant by time itself and what time

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is. It's a testament to his personal failure in his mission that he has become so accurate so famous

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because we remain so predictable. The true meaning of Nostradamus' prophecies can be argued

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but no matter what we read into his words they force us to question our definition of time itself.

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How can anyone predict what lies ahead? Is it possible for us to take the same journey

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into our own future?

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God does not throw dice said Albert Einstein. How many people believe in the inevitability of

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what was, is and will be. The future witnessed by Nostradamus may already exist somewhere around the

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bend of time's river. Albert Einstein's theory of relativity forced us to reconsider our definition

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of time. He believed it was elastic and could slow down and speed up as I brought us into a new age

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of science, a new age pioneered by manlike and comical. One of the select few human beings who

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woke up in the moon. The issue of the predictability of the future goes right to the heart of the

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question of what is the nature of the universe. One answer to it is that people who can predict

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the future can only accurately do so in a very short time frame ahead of the present

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and there seem to be people that do that very well. Now it is interesting that some individuals

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like Nostradamus seem to hit upon some events way way in the future. If one is intuitive

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one can guess or intuit what a near-term future event will be.

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We have all experienced deja vu, a moment when we feel that we have lived out something before.

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There are moments of extreme crisis when time literally stands still. These feelings are an

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accepted part of everyday life. Imagine an extraordinary mind like Nostradamus is.

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Perhaps through mystical arts longer since forgotten he was able to push his subconscious

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forward in time an incredible journey which he recorded for posterity and maybe just maybe

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that gift lies dormant inside us all. Can we see into the future? Perhaps these time pieces

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may be changed shackling us to the present trapping us in the here and now. But the human mind may be

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capable of transcending the physical limitations of time. Can ordinary people experience visions of

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the future? This woman has built a career on one such vision. One moment when the future became

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crystal clear. Her name is Jean Dixon and her vision described a man who would have a glorious

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rise and a violent fall. For in 1956 Jean Dixon predicted the assassination of John Kennedy.

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A vision documented in a contemporary magazine article. How did this vision come to pass?

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So many people asked me about the assassination of our young president. They called it a prediction

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but it was not a prediction, it was a prophecy. I remember that day so well. The whole assassination

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was revealed to me as over a motion picture. The coffin being brought to the White House

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and that a young man and Democrat would be seated in 1960 very clearly as though it were a motion

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picture. Though she could really foretold this tragic event Dixon has often been wrong in her

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forecasts. Why is prophecy so unpredictable? If we were to make a survey which we have done,

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the predictions of most psychics the further you get away from the present into the future

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the less reliable they are and they're not terribly reliable on events on the time and place

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of things. I misinterpret sometimes because I just misinterpret my symbols.

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Can we, should we take profits and their predictions as law?

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Dr. Damos had an answer to that question too. His words may point the way to a future

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beyond even his imagination.

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The dangers in misreading a prophecy can be tragic. For example, the high priests of the

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Aztecs foretold the coming of a white god from the east and in 1518 someone did arrive, a figure

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welcomed and worshipped like a god. He was Cortes the Conqueror and he soon wore out his welcome

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enslaving the very same priests who had predicted his arrival.

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Would we be in danger of misinterpreting Nostradamus' prophecy about Armageddon?

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Just how seriously should we take the words of this seer?

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We should pay attention to Nostradamus and his writings because many things that he predicted

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during his lifetime came true during his lifetime. Many things that he predicted after he died

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have come true and also many things that he predicts that are yet to come true

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should be heeded and paid attention to based upon his track record.

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Nostradamus' predictions are of things that are to happen. That does not mean however that these

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things have to happen. I, after all this time looking at often many ghastly possibilities about

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our future, remain an optimist because I feel that art change can happen right now as the old

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eastern proverb says one small candle of light can dispel the darkness of ages.

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By every occult Nostradamus believed our era to be a crossroads where the violent ways of the past

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would burn out in one last fiery storm ushering in a new era of peace and contentment.

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Nostradamus regarded his visions as a warning not an epitaph. Many of them have come to pass.

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Many have not.

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Peace or the final war? We don't need a prophet to tell us what to do.

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The choice is ours.

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Secrets and mysteries presents information based in part on theories and opinions,

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some of which are controversial. The producer's purpose is not to validate any side of an issue,

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but through the use of actualities and dramatic recreation relate a possible answer,

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but not the only answer to this material.

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