

The Roswell Incident: Strange Visitors?



On July 3, 1947, a rancher by the name of Bac Brazel was awakened by a loud noise outside of his house near Roswell, New Mexico. The next morning he investigated by horseback and discovered a strange crash of some sort of disc object. He reported the incident to authorities, and on July 8, 1947, the Roswell Army Air Field (RAAF) issued a press release stating that personnel from the field's 509th Bomb Group had recovered a crashed "flying disc" from the ranch. Later the same day the Commanding General of the Eighth Air Force stated that, in fact, a weather balloon had been recovered by RAAF personnel rather than a "flying saucer."

The case was quickly forgotten and almost completely ignored for over 30 years until ufologist Stanton Friedman interviewed Major Jesse Marcel, who was involved with the original recovery of the debris in 1947. Marcel expressed his belief that the military had covered up the recovery of an alien spacecraft.

Speculation about what really happened near Roswell continues to this very day with many theories and books written. Probably the most mysterious "evidence" revolves around the supposed "recovery and autopsy" of five alien bodies. A nurse reported that she was forced

to perform autopsies on these alien bodies to try to identify what they were. Photographs show a humanoid-type body having a larger head and very large eyes.

So what is the truth about extraterrestrials or strange alien visitors supposedly from outer space? Are there strange beings lurking around us that we are not aware of, or is this just a lot of hype?

We will probably never know all the facts but it is interesting that **1,000 year-old Native American petroglyphs and pictographs seem to record images of similar looking beings.** Did the native artists have wild imaginations, or did they actually see things that caused them to inscribe strange looking pictures on the canyon walls of the American southwest?

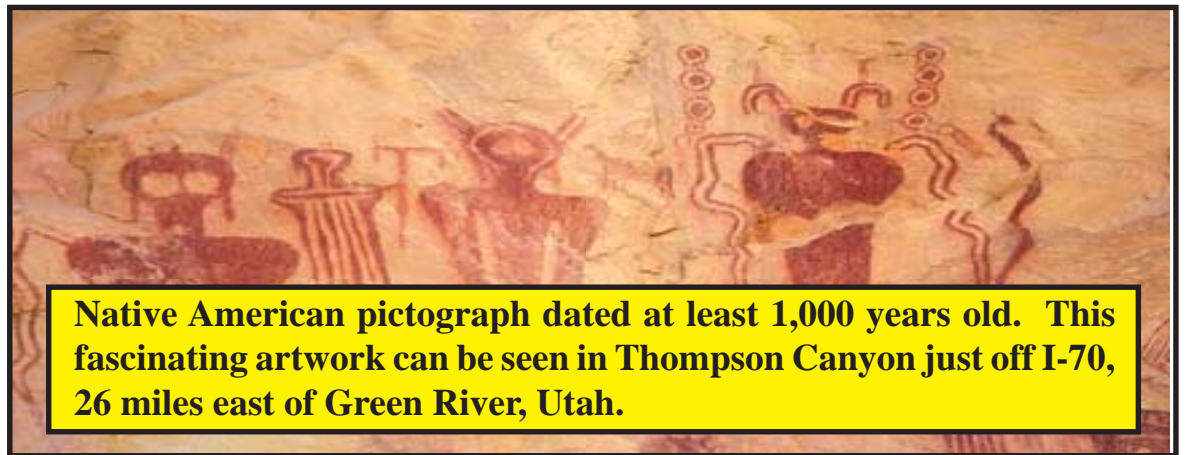
The Bible records an interesting incident wherein the herds of Job were destroyed by fire "fallen from heaven." This is similar to the numerous reports in the 1970's and 80's of cattle mutilations in the western plains.

Circular rings of scorched grass around the dead animals caused much speculation amongst ranchers and law enforcement officials.

The incident involving Job was directed by Satan who had been given permission by God to test Job. We would, therefore, conclude that the destructive scene described in Job chapter 1 was caused by demonic beings.

Earth is the stage where the plan of redemption is being carried out, but earth is also the place to which Satan and a myriad of evil beings were exiled when they were cast out of heaven. Man has been uniquely created in the image and likeness of God. From a Biblical perspective, the probability of other human-like beings from outer space is very unlikely.

However, the Bible prophesied a future encounter with strange demonic beings. During the seven years of Tribulation, the fury of hell will be unleashed upon earth and hordes of hideous demonic monsters will inflict injury upon mankind. See *Revelation 9:1-11*



Native American pictograph dated at least 1,000 years old. This fascinating artwork can be seen in Thompson Canyon just off I-70, 26 miles east of Green River, Utah.

PROPHECY: A WORLD IN TURMOIL

Jesus uttered chilling words of warning when He declared -- "*For then shall be great tribulation, such as was not since the beginning of the world to this time, no, nor ever shall be. And except those days should be shortened, there should no flesh be saved . . .*" *Matthew 24:21-22*

We appear to be approaching those days spoken of by Jesus. Modern-day society was graphically described by the words of Second Timothy chapter three -- "*This know also, that in the last days perilous times shall come.*" The word *perilous* means desperate and confusing, and that certainly describes our world of the twenty-first century!

The passage then goes on to describe end-time society -- "*For men shall be lovers of their own selves, covetous, boasters, proud, blasphemers, disobedient to parents, unthankful, unholy, Without natural affection . . . despisers of those that are good . . . lovers of pleasure more than lovers of God, Having a form of godliness but denying the power thereof . . . ever learning, and never able to come to the knowledge of the truth . . . But evil men and seducers shall become worse and worse, deceiving and being deceived.*" (Excerpts taken from 2 Timothy chapter 3)

Who can deny that these ancient words graphically describe today's troubled world?



The Bible warns that the world will one day suffer great tribulation. The vision of the Four Horsemen of the Apocalypse tells of a series of powerful, deceptive and destructive world leaders. *Revelation 6:1-11*

Old Testament Prophecies

The ancient prophets of Israel had plenty to say about cataclysmic days destined upon planet earth. Isaiah chapter 24 is especially graphic -- "*Behold, the LORD will make the earth empty, and will make it waste, and will turn it upside down, and will scatter abroad the inhabitants thereof. . . The earth is utterly broken down, the earth is thoroughly dissolved, the earth is moved exceedingly. The earth shall reel to and fro like a drunkard, and shall be removed like a cottage without a foundation . . . the LORD shall punish the host of the high ones that are on high, and the kings of the earth upon the earth.*" (Excerpts from Isaiah 24:1, 19-21)

Isaiah tells us WHY such devastation is coming

upon the earth . . . verses 5 and 6 -- "*The earth also is defiled under the inhabitants thereof; because they have transgressed the laws, changed the ordinance, and broken the Everlasting Covenant.*" The "Everlasting Covenant" may refer to the covenant God made with Noah when He established the sanctity of all human life. (See Isaiah 24:18 and Genesis 9:6) **There will be a terrible price to pay for societies that destroy the innocent and abort the unborn who are created in the image of God.**

The only hope for man is personal faith in the Lord Jesus Christ, the Savior Who died on the cross and offers all men the gift of eternal life. (See John 1:12, 3:16, 3:36, 5:24, Romans 3:23, 6:23, 8:1, 10:9-13)