

LIST OF DISAGREEMENTS WITH GARDNER'S URANTIA ARTICLE IN SI

- 1) Lucifer, Caligastia and Beelzebub are angels (the word means messenger) in the Bible, not in UB.
- 2) Adam and Eve did not eat forbidden fruit, that is a Biblical myth not found in UB.
- 3) No where does UB state humans souls are created at birth. At the arrival of the Thought Adjuster, between the ages of 4-6, is more appropriately the birth of the soul.
- 4) UB states that beings are repersonalized, not "reincarnated" from planet to planet. The term "reincarnation" implies repeatedly returning to the same planet, something the UB specifically denies.
- 5) UB states that humans fuse with their Thought Adjusters (the indwelling fragment of God) prior to reaching Paradise, but they do not "fuse with God" as you allude, especially in the sense of a drop of water merging with the ocean. Humans eternally maintain their individuality and identity.
- 6) UB states that Tabamantia and Grandfanda are proper names, not neologisms. And the word is agandonter, not abandonter.
- 7) UB states that Jesus did unintentionally cause water to turn into wine.
- 8) The way I read the UB, Jesus' body was instantaneously dematerialized where it lay; it was not snatched from the sepulchre, but this appears vague in the text.
- 9) UB does not claim to be channeled, even by current usage of the word. I sent Martin a list (from Sadler) of how it did not arrive, which included all aspects of channeling. All channelers I know of are conscious (or semi-conscious) of their trance-actions and do remember afterwards that they participated in the phenomenon. The subject of the UB's trancemission did not. Other than Martin, I know of no one who purchased the UB as a result of the current channeling craze, as he claims. The UB specifically denies the occult, channeling, reincarnation, spiritualism and many other things that which do attract those types.
- 10) What documentation is offered to support his opinion that Sadler was a strange religionist? Gardner did document that Sadler, Sr., was a prominent psychiatrist, surgeon, author and lecturer. If this is opinion it should so state as Hume looked upon no opinion even as more probable or likely as another. If it is a fact, however, reasoning other than the UB should be submitted to substantiate it.
- 11) Gardner wrote a letter to me stating that he believed neither Sadler nor his wife wrote the book, based on a response from Sherman's wife, and SI has a copy. Why does the article even speculate on something he personally ruled out in personal correspondence?
- 12) The Forum generally consisted of 35 couples at one time, which equals 70 people. It was not 150 as Gardner states. Over the years hundreds did participate, but membership was generally limited to 70 at any one given time.
- 13) Bill Sadler, Jr., was in advertising; he was not a psychiatrist.
- 14) Sadler, Jr.'s two books are not about the Urantia papers. They are his personal opinions strictly on the cosmology presented in UB.
- 15) The denial of the hell concept is a belief held by Atheism, Humanism, Philosophical Theism, Skepticism and many other religious belief systems. Why pretend it exclusively a commonality of SDA and UB?

16) As it applies to all theistic life-after-death belief systems, the amount of time of unconsciousness between death and repersonalization differs widely. UB states as many as three different time periods for this phenomena, depending on many factors. SDA agrees with only one of these three, contrary to Gardner's statement. From Philosophical Theism to Fundamentalist Christianity--all believe in a God and immortality, even though none agree on the details.

17) The sun's outer atmosphere does indeed contains calcium (Space Time Infinity 1985 Smithsonian) and the region between the Sun and the Earth is filled with fragments of the Sun itself (Planet Earth 1983 Bantam).

18) In November 1965 three separate theories confirmed what UB (pg 668) stated from 1933-55 (at a time when it was scientific suicide to support): The continental drift is a fact. (PE, 1983) SI stated in print that the staff of Harvard Geology Dept. did not even teach the plate techtonics until ten years after its worldwide acceptance (1965).

19) In 1955 UB (pg 167-8) accurately stated that the Milky Way, representing the central nucleus of Orvonton, moves through space. Scientific American (9/87 pg 49) related "First claim that the Milky Way is moving through space was made in 1975 by Vera C. Rubin and W. Kent Ford, Jr."

20) The same SA article contains a chart (pg 54) that is essentially a drawing of UB's (pg 168) description of the multiple rotations of space systems.

21) John Hogan's article (SA, same, pg 22) agrees with UB (pg 134) on the inaccuracies of red shifts in space measurements.

22) Science 80 (12/80) features Roger Penrose's theory of a twistor universe that is remarkably similar to UB's (pg 124) description of organized space. Is he also a strange religionist or just a strange mathematician?

THESE ARE NEW POINTS ADDED 12/3/91

23) To state that Jesus as an individual is a part of any trinity is still very misleading and makes out as if the UB supports the Christian trinity concept, which you well know it does not. Pg 1318D states: "Michael, a Creator Son, is a time-space creator, but Michael, a sevenfold Master Son, is a member of one of the divine corps constituting the Trinity Ultimate." This corps is an element of the Trinity Ultimate, but the individuals are not separately memebers. Why not just quote correctly?

24) What about the fact which Ken Frazier delected in my letter to SI your quote from Whys where you confessed belief in God? Doesn't the fact that you are a Theist color all your reviews of any competing religious belief system? Do you claim infallibility in objectiveness?

25) The UB is not "from God." It should have read "the earth's fifth revelation to man."

26) "the Book of Morman, translated from hieroglyphics" should have read "hieroglyphs."

27) "The Master Physical Controllers (some are machines)" should have read "they are machine-like". "they may seem to be automatons, but all of them disclose the differential function of intelligence."  
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28) "The pair have since been 'repersonalized' and live in Jerusem" should read "on Jerusem."

29) In the UB the number seven (7) is no more significant than any other. Following is a numerical breakdown of the numbers appearing in the UB, one (1) through ten (10) and how many times each appears:

<u>Numeral</u>	<u>Word</u>
1: 613,	one: 2,406
2: 631,	two: 803
3: 603,	three: 720
4: 474,	four: 280
5: 401,	five: 299
6: 351,	six: 205
7: 320,	seven: 691
8: 132,	eight: 63
9: 97,	nine: 67
10: 76,	ten: 242

30) "Coming to Urantia was his seventh and last incarnation as one of God's creatures" should read "as one of his own creatures." According to UB, Michael created this universe and the creatures within.