

TALKS

AND

WISDOMS

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Sincerely
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More Support for

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"It is nonsense to pretend that those who have 'come down in the world' are to be pitied above all others. The man who really merits pity is the man who has been down from the start and faces poverty with a blank, resourceless mind."

Yes. That is the ultimate cruelty. For a personality to be condemned to inhabit a defective body and/or have to live in a degenerate home.

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2. Christ's hands were nailed to the wood. The image on the shroud is that of a man whose wrist was pierced. (ref. UB p. 2006) The argument has been raised that the hand cannot support the weight of the body. This is true. In the case of Christ, a saddle peg supported the weight of his body. (ref. UB p. 2006.)
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I have no idea how the image got on the shroud. But if you believe in the veracity of the Urantia Book, this is not the shroud of Christ. I conjecture - and this is pure conjecture - that this might possibly be the shroud of Peter. The Urantia Book states on page 1552 that Peter's "captors informed him that he must die as his Master had died—on the cross." I submit that the killers of Peter would have fashioned a copy of the shroud for his identical to the one worn by Jesus.

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The Group Comments:

MIKE BRADY: It couldn't have been Peter's shroud because his body wasn't instantly decomposed by the Celestial beings, which probably made the image on the cloth.

HELEN HUTCHINSON: To me, Jon's arguments against its being the Shroud of Jesus are vastly outweighed by the arguments that say it is. There's no earthly way of explaining how it got there. (The image, I mean). (Of course, as far as one's faith is concerned, it makes no difference.)

Fascinating Beings

Of all the classes of Celestial Beings who are our helpers, one of the most fascinating to me is the Most Highs. They are known as the Most Highs since they embody the highest administrative wisdom in the Local Universe. (488)

As an isolated world we have here on Urantia a Most High observer, who is empowered, at his discretion, to seize the planetary government in times of crises, and this has happened 33 times in our history. (1253)

It's interesting to speculate when. On 1906, it seems that the time Titus took over Jerusalem (70 A.D.) was one of them.

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by Beverly Nadler

What is LIFE all about - is there a reason or rhyme ... Or a core within our being that transcends space and time? Why were we created? Are we a part of a GREAT PLAN?.. The Bible tells us God is LOVE - but what then is MAN?.. Am I this physical being the mirror reflects to me? Or am I a part of everything I touch, believe and see? Am I the concepts I project - the ideas within my mind?.. Are my thoughts important at all - are they meaningful or are they blind? What Goal am I to seek - what role - what am I to do?... Am I a nothing in a lawless world that favors the chosen few? I watch some succeed in a life of joy - others live a life of pain... What ordains our destiny - is life real, or just a game?... These questions I have asked, Oh, how I have pondered... How I have struggled, searched and contemplated and wondered... Life seems such a fearsome thing to those with eyes who

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