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“Are Aliens Real?”

Why this topic – Aliens

- We are not afraid of this topic. Lots of speculation in our world and some fearing the answer to the question about aliens – we’re not afraid. We have God’s Word, His Spirit and the wisdom of His people.
- We want to put this topic in proper context. It doesn’t really matter. Controversial conspiracy theories are NOT to consume the minds of Christians. We have a more important mission – honoring God by making disciples and loving people towards Him.

PREVIEW

- We’ll be reminded of the importance of living with a biblical worldview
- We’ll address this topic of aliens/extraterrestrial beings
- We’ll conclude with truths that we do know and how they are to impact how we live

Why this series

- God’s Word has answers - it’s not an answer book but as we build a biblical worldview, we’re able to process the things in our world in a way that lines up with God’s Word / truth / reality.

1. Christians are to process life from a biblical perspective (Biblical Worldview)

A Biblical Worldview – a definition: A biblical worldview is looking at life *through* the lens of Scripture instead of culture, feelings, or personal opinion.

Deuteronomy 29:29 (NLT) “The LORD our God has secrets known to no one. We are not accountable for them, but we and our children are accountable forever for all that he has revealed to us, so that we may obey all the terms of these instructions.”

- In the context of God revealing much about life, creation, purpose, and history, and His desire to be in a covenant relationship with His people – He still states there are things He is not revealing to us.
- The things He does reveal are for us to know and more importantly, for us to *obey*.

2. What about Aliens/Extraterrestrial beings?

- Lots of speculation and fascination in our culture – movies, books, government “secrets”, conspiracy theories, UFO sightings, etc.
- There is *nothing* in the Bible to indicate extraterrestrial life/beings.

1 Timothy 1:3-4 (NLT) “When I left for Macedonia, I urged you to stay there in Ephesus and stop those whose teaching is contrary to the truth. ⁴Don’t let them waste their time in endless discussion of myths and spiritual pedigrees. These things only lead to meaningless speculations, which don’t help people live a life of faith in God.”

- Since the beginning, there have been topics that get Christians off focus.
- DON’T WASTE YOUR TIME
- Instead, focus on living the life of faith in God – Loving God, loving others and making disciples.

3. Things we can be certain of...

Colossians 1:15-17 (NLT) “Christ is the visible image of the invisible God. He existed before anything was created and is supreme over all creation,¹⁶ for through him God created everything in the heavenly realms and on earth. He made the things we can see and the things we can’t see— such as thrones, kingdoms, rulers, and authorities in the unseen world. Everything was created through him and for him.¹⁷ He existed before anything else, and he holds all creation together.”

1. God created everything that has been created! (Rev 4:11)
2. God holds everything together – He is not confined *within* His creation. He is supreme *over* His creation. (Heb 1:3)
3. God created visible and invisible realms. (Eph 6:12)
 - This includes eternal spiritual beings - Angels (cherubim, seraphim (6 winged), archangels) demons/fallen angels, and satan
 - Invisible thrones and dominions (Dan 10 – “prince of Persia” hindering Daniel’s prayer)

Hebrews 2:14-18 (NLT) “Because God’s children are human beings—made of flesh and blood—the Son also became flesh and blood. For only as a human being could he die, and only by dying could he break the power of the devil, who had the power of death.¹⁵ Only in this way could he set free all who have lived their lives as slaves to the fear of dying.¹⁶ We also know that the Son did not come to help angels; he came to help the descendants of Abraham.¹⁷ Therefore, it was necessary for him to be made in every respect like us, his brothers and sisters, so that he could be our merciful and faithful High Priest before God. Then he could offer a sacrifice that would take away the sins of the people.¹⁸ Since he himself has gone through suffering and testing, he is able to help us when we are being tested.”

1. Jesus had to become incarnate to save humanity – flesh and blood (Rom 8:3-4)
2. Makes Him the perfect substitute, paying our debt, breaking the power of death, bringing life
3. Humanity is unique in all creation – made in the image of God (Gen 1:26-28) and so loved by God He sent His One and only Son to save us. (John 3:16)

Psalms 19:1 (NLT) “The heavens proclaim the glory of God. The skies display his craftsmanship.” (Eph 2:10)

Practical Application

1. Will you accept Jesus as God’s solution for our sin and trust in Him alone for your salvation?
2. Are you putting controversial, speculative topics in their rightful context – not important?
3. Are there other areas of your life you need to bring in God’s biblical lens to see it His way?
4. How can you respond in worship and awe of God this week?
5. Who is someone you know that is caught up in controversies that don’t matter – how can you pray for them this week?

