

Adam and Eve: “Eight Feet Tall & Purple”

In "Adam and Eve: 'Eight Feet Tall & Purple'," I explore the intersection of religious legend, scientific discovery, and philosophical inquiry surrounding the figures of Adam and Eve. The essay critically examines the biblical narrative within the broader context of the URANTIA Book, which presents an expanded cosmic interpretation of humanity's origins. The essay juxtaposes traditional religious teachings with modern genetic evidence, arguing for a reconciliatory approach that integrates evolutionary science with spiritual insights. Key themes include the symbolic and factual dimensions of Adam and Eve, the role of genetic upliftment in human history, and the ongoing quest for truth in understanding human origins.

I go into some detail describing events around the URANTIA Book's revelatory depiction of Adam and Eve as advanced beings sent to uplift human civilization through biological and cultural means. The narrative challenges conventional religious interpretations, suggesting that Adam and Eve's mission was to augment, rather than originate, the natural evolutionary process of human beings. By examining archaeological and genetic data, the essay posits that recent scientific discoveries, such as the presence of haplogroup D and the microcephalin gene, provide compelling evidence supporting the URANTIA Book's timelines and claims. This interdisciplinary analysis highlights the potential harmony between science and revelation, advocating for a broader acceptance of new paradigms in understanding human ancestry.

Furthermore, the essay addresses the philosophical implications of integrating such diverse sources of knowledge. I encourage readers to adopt a mindset of open inquiry, where faith and reason coexist in the search for truth. By navigating the complex interplay between ancient myths, religious doctrines, and contemporary scientific findings, the essay offers a holistic view of humanity's place in the cosmos. It underscores the necessity of evolving our perspectives to accommodate new insights, ultimately fostering a more comprehensive and enriched understanding of our origins and destiny.

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The Quest for Truth (Philosophical & Revelational)

The legend of Adam and Eve (A&E) is certainly a biblical story of significant proportions in Occidental civilization which includes the entire historical evolution of Western culture, Babylonia, and ancient Greece and Rome. The belief in man's creation from clay was well-nigh universal not only in the Occident but also in the Eastern Hemisphere and as far east as the Philippine Islands.^{1,2} It is a global URANTIA historical story upgraded by the fifth epochal revelation to cosmic proportions. The legend is true at the level of information available to the receiver for understanding the facts by which the story tells of the origin, history, purpose, and destiny of humanity; the URANTIA Book chronical remediates not only the A&E distorted legend, but underscores other creation stories from various world cultures which perpetuate the belief in the fiat creation of the human race.

I can't remember a time when, even as a youth in catechism class, the story in Genesis of how God created the universe, the earth, and then Adam and Eve, was nothing more than an abstraction of what really must be the truth. Of course, at that time (maybe between 7-9 years old) I had no idea of allegory or myth, but my sense of the story was that if Adam and Eve were actually real people, then the story of God having a direct hand in creating Adam out of whole cloth (clay) so to speak, upends evolution unless God's direct hand was also a myth. The entire story to my juvenile mind seemed like a weird combination of real and made-up. I can't say it was top-of-mind until the URANTIA Book came along to deliver revelation's expanded cosmic picture. It certainly sat in abeyance in my mind like the oyster's grain of sand; and like the oyster, it eventually became a pearl.

This essay weaves religious, scientific, philosophical, and revelational aspects of the A&E cosmic story. The A&E story requires a replete rigor because it is so important to the material, social, and spiritual history of URANTIA. There are twelve sections; I header each one with the primary theme or themes it discusses.

For those who read the URANTIA Book revelation of the A&E story during the first fifty years after initial publication in 1955, either it rang one's "truth bells" or had one comparing the

¹ URANTIA Book. (74:8.4 (837.3)).

² Frazer, James George. *Creation and Evolution in Primitive Cosmogonies, and Other Pieces*. Macmillan, 1935.

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hypotheses of ancient aliens as tantamount to a child's reader. Depicting A&E as eight foot tall and violet (purple?) as well as the fact that they were essentially androids yet bestowed with real God-loving personalities sounded like science fiction, or maybe science fiction-fiction! The Star Trek episode when the Commission considered Data's request to be human is nowhere near as compelling as compared to what the URANTIA Book narrates about A&E.³ Even today in the first quarter of the twenty-first century, there remains little archeological and paleontological facts that even remotely support the rendering of this cosmic story into truth. Nevertheless, there *is* evidence that essentially slam dunks this truth. The evidence comes from the microbiology domain. And ironically A&E *were* ancient aliens who became human!

The religious legend about A&E gets the attention of even atheists.⁴ How can one avoid it? One can deny God exists, but denying two potential humans existed requires different-in-kind logic to reject the ontology of two original humans, no matter what their names, given the belief in evolution and the body of evidence of the human genome. The human genome is an “elephant in the room”⁵ that demands addressing in some fashion both religiously and scientifically. One can ignore, deny, or scoff at such a widespread legend, but a materialist scientist can't ignore genetics. Current data regarding the human genome is at a nascent stage of analysis. It has created more question than answers, thus the plethora of theories and models of human ancestry whether it includes A&E or not.

The URANTIA Book model is a cosmic model. It is the only model that provides a complete and unbroken connection from the I AM to the smallest energy particle. When an individual suspends his/her belief system and looks at anything with an open mind, then and only then does truth have an opportunity to unfold (no guarantees of course). I ask the reader to suspend judgement until all the evidence is in.

Before we put some flesh on this analysis, let's summarize a few cosmically oriented URANTIA Book facets about A&E.

³ Star Trek: The Next Generation. *Sentient Being*. https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=vjuQRCG_sUw Accessed 11 Jan. 23

⁴ DeRosa, J. (2020). *Adam & Eve: A Survey of Models for Catholics*. <https://peacefulscience.org/articles/survey-adam-eve-catholic/> Accessed 11 January 2023.

⁵ Wikipedia Contributors. “Elephant in the room.” Wikipedia. Wikimedia Foundation, 18 March 2006, Accessed 2 January 2023 https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Elephant_in_the_room

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1. There is a celestial universal order of spiritual ministers designed solely for the purpose of material, social, and spiritual intervention onto all inhabited human planets throughout the cosmos. They maintain highly material bodies but are not considered “human.”
2. These ministers are always a male-female pair; they deploy to an inhabited planet when biological evolution reaches an apex – assumedly when the percentage of the totality of humans on a planet reaches some minimum. They go by the names Adam and Eve. They are materially designed to live on the planet indefinitely.
3. The Urantian A&E pair were made fully aware that the assignment, while commissioned with a Divine plan, was fraught with abnormal uncertainties due to the spiritual rebellion that affected the planet for 200,000 years prior to their arrival.
4. The A&E revealed mission is to accelerate both culture and biology by augmenting evolution “naturally.” The A&E’s have a specific joint mission on every planet inhabited by humans: that of biologic “accelerators” or “uplifters.”⁶
5. The Urantian A&E pair intervened 962,152 years after humans had evolved or 37,848 BC from 1934 AD.
6. A little over 100 years into their assignment, A&E deviated from the Divine plan by attempting to bypass a natural time governor related to biologic uplifting. They lost their super human life capabilities, but retained the biologic components for uplifting “brain power.”⁷
7. After their “default,” circumstances necessitated leaving the original Garden of Eden.
8. They settled in Mesopotamia on the Euphrates River apparently just south of current Baghdad. It is called “the second garden” or “the second Eden.” They were able to construct a society complex enough to call it a civilization; it was an artificial structure — it had not evolved —and therefore deteriorated until it settled to a natural evolutionary level.⁸
9. Eve lived a mere five hundred and eleven years and Adam another nineteen after that. Their progeny implemented the re-designed biological uplifting plan after Adam’s

⁶ *URANTIA* Book. ((31:5.2 (349.2) & 40:2.2 (444.2)/3:7.4 (827.3)).

⁷ *Ibid.* (81:5.1 (905.6))

⁸ *Ibid.* (78:2.3 (870.1))

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“plasm” was impregnated into 1,682 of the “highest type of women on Urantia.” Modern day science validates this as successful; less is known of the social and spiritual uplifting.

From the above short list, one can see the URANTIA Book provides specific years for the dawn of humanity and for the pair that sparked the religious traditions about Adam and Eve. “From the year A.D. 1934 back to the birth of the first two human beings is just 993,419 years.” “Adam and Eve arrived on Urantia [Earth], from the year A.D. 1934, 37,848 years ago.” The original location they set up residence at was in fact called the Garden of Eden. And the revelation provides details regarding the location of Adam and Eve’s second residence after having to leave the Garden of Eden; it is referred to as “the second garden.” “The two rivers themselves were a good natural defense in those days, and a short way north of the second garden the Euphrates and Tigris came close together so that a defense wall extending fifty-six miles could be built for the protection of the territory to the south and between the rivers.”

Obviously, the extent and breadth of details in the URANTIA Book far outstrips the legend of A&E the complexity of which one has to enter a “truth cycle”⁹ beginning with faith and insight (superconscious) before working one’s way to whatever facts may be available from empirical analysis (conscious). However, as we shall show later in this essay truth oscillates potentially two ways. I call this the “truth process.” Humanity is now at a stage of scientific facts that the truth path can and should take an accelerated direction to accepting the URANTIA Book’s depiction of humanity’s entire history and its role in the cosmic structure of God’s plan.

The Adam and Eve Puzzle (Religious & Scientific)

In this chapter I offer a consciousness process model to explain why some found this story compelling from an initial reading, faith-accepting it as truth – cosmic truth – while others may take time to evolutionally glide along the truth path until the facts, knowledge, and wisdom ultimately triumph letting the reality of this truth unfold. At some point in the future, for many skeptics it will become a “no-brainer.” I maintain this truth path will eventually triumph because of two recent scientific events: 1) a genomic scientific discovery nearly fifty years after publication and close to a century after the first disclosure to humans, and 2) an archeological unearthing of a society that was far in advance of current beliefs that civilization began with the

⁹ See Figure 1 on page 15

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Sumerians between 5500 – 4000 BC. With reasonable certainty, there will be more discoveries and research that will continue to add clear and convincing evidence adding to the body of knowledge regarding the URANTIA Book revelation of A&E.

For many Christians, in particular Catholics, for example, there are multiple views about Adam and Eve.¹⁰ In his online article *Adam & Eve: A Survey of Models for Catholics*, John DeRosa summarizes eight models, some of which take baby steps away from the “authority” of church doctrine on this subject, others inch up to the edge of heresy. This is not unexpected. As the advances of science move inexorably forward with more perplexing data and information in all areas of human knowledge, they raise reasonable but unanswerable questions under current dogmatic paradigms that put doctrine into serious cognitive dissonance. And the science that is providing irrefutable evidence that clearly points to the truth of the A&E religious aspect, wants virtually no part in attempting to make a connection.

I am not attempting to critique these models; any person interested in truth should read and assess DeRosa’s analysis with one’s own truth evaluator. He provides an interesting rubric at the end of the article that evaluates two categories for each model: 1) Is the model within the bounds of Catholic teaching? And 2) Is the model compatible with mainstream science? Each one receives either a ‘yes’ or no.’ DeRosa favors two affirmative responses as models that are compatible with both science and religion; only two of the eight evaluated make the cut. We concur! If a model coordinates – agrees with – one’s religion (even if it takes the form of dogma) AND commonly accepted human origin and evolutionary evidence, it should stand the test of time. It should be greatly considered as truth. I concur with what JJ Johnson calls COSAR.¹¹

What I *am* claiming is that DeRosa’s rubric applies only three test categories for science and the third – (S3) – has no peer-reviewed reference. To ensure a model meets a “scientific” test, (S3) requires “Modern humans originally came from a population of at least several thousand individuals.” In fact, science has overwhelming data and evidence through genome sequencing and peer-reviewed analysis that has generally accepted theories that humanity started from two

¹⁰ DeRosa, John. "Survey of Catholic Teachings on Adam and Eve." *Peaceful Science*, <https://peacefulscience.org/articles/survey-adam-eve-catholic/>. Accessed 2 July 2024.

¹¹ For a full depiction of what JJ means by COSAR (the coordination of science and religion) see: Johnson, JJ. *Up Close and Personal*. Publisher JJ Johnson, 2010.

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specific humans.¹² “The idea of a common female ancestor of humanity led, perhaps inevitably, to this ancestor being given the name ‘Eve’.”¹³ The idea that all humans originated from a small number of individuals, often referred to as the "Mitochondrial Eve" and "Y-chromosomal Adam" hypotheses, is a theory that has been proposed prior to genetic research. What is problematic about this is the range of dates spans 2M to 200K years.

What is stunning, but has caused enough controversy that research has stopped dead in its tracks, is the finding that a specific haplogroup¹⁴ (haplogroup D) arose *from one progenitor* into the microcephalin gene about ~37,000 years ago with reliable accuracy. Science has determined specific dates for the original appearance of, and subsequent additions to, microcephalin DNA (the brain size gene) as well as a specific date for new genetic material (an allele). Science estimates this date for the appearance of the original microcephalin gene (the locus) at 1.1M years BC. We point out these dates as fully compatible with the URANTIA Book revealed dates. “Within modern humans, a group of closely related haplotypes at this locus, known as haplogroup D, rose from a single copy ~37,000 years ago and swept to exceptionally high frequency (~70% worldwide today) because of positive selection. Here, we examine the origin of haplogroup D. By using the interhaplogroup divergence test, we show that haplogroup D likely originated from a lineage separated from modern humans ~1.1 million years ago and introgressed into humans by ~37,000 years ago.”¹⁵ The correlation of these dates with the URANTIA Book should be striking to a skeptic to say the least.

Adam and Eve’s Fingerprints (Scientific)

Subsequent to the discovery of DNA (Deoxyribonucleic acid) and its double helix molecular configuration, the amount of data, information, and knowledge regarding what is now called genomic science continues to expand on a geometric exponential curve. DNA is the information

¹² Relethford, J. *Genetic evidence and the modern human origins debate*. <https://www.nature.com/articles/hdy200814> (2008). Accessed 17 January 2023.

¹³ Ibid. Relethford.

¹⁴ A haplogroup is a genetic population group of people who share a common ancestor on the patrilineal or matrilineal line. Haplogroups are identified by specific sets of genetic markers in the mitochondrial DNA (for maternal lineage) or the Y chromosome DNA (for paternal lineage), which are passed down relatively unchanged through generations.

¹⁵ Lahn, B. et. al. Evidence that the adaptive allele of the brain size gene microcephalin introgressed into Homo sapiens from an archaic Homo lineage. PNAS Vol. 103 | No. 48, November 28, 2006. <https://www.pnas.org/doi/full/10.1073/pnas.0606966103> Accessed 17 January 2023.

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molecule for all living organisms. All of the DNA of an organism is called its genome.¹⁶ It affects and concerns almost every facet of life now.

James Watson and Francis Crick first proposed the double helix structure of DNA in 1953 and subsequently peer-confirmed by Rosalind Franklin and Maurice Wilkins using X-ray crystallography. They published this discovery in the scientific journal "Nature" in an article titled *Molecular Structure of Nucleic Acids: A Structure for Deoxyribose Nucleic Acid*.¹⁷ It took roughly two decades primarily from the medical industry for science to become interested with how to capitalize on molecular biology and genetics in order to advance the understanding and ability to diagnose and treat cancers, neurological diseases, and other causes of human suffering. By the mid-1980's cancer researchers began proposing the potential of using the entire genome sequence to understand the genetic basis of breast cancer.¹⁸ This started a long and complex chain of events which led to President Ronald Reagan including a budget line item to fund a long-term project to map the entire human genome.¹⁹ The mapping of the complete genome completed on April 14, 2003, two years earlier than planned.

Immediately, biomedical scientists realized unpacking this information into knowledge would require a multi- and transdisciplinary research environment necessitated in part by the interests and agendas of emerging commercial pharmaceutical, biotechnology, and direct-to-consumer genetics enterprises. Each industry looked to further various goals by applying human genomic data and associated technologies to find biomarkers indicative of some phenomenon such as disease, forensics, ancestry, environmental exposure, or general human quality of life enhancement.²⁰

It was at this milestone that URANTIA moved across a threshold into a "postgenomic" age. This is the moment that the elephant walked into the room. Genomics is now functioning at a global scale generating massive databases of genetic information. Alas, the genie is out of the

¹⁶ GENOME. NIH, National Human Genome Research Institute. <https://www.genome.gov/genetics-glossary/Genome> Accessed 16 January 2023.

¹⁷ Molecular Structure of Nucleic Acids: A Structure for Deoxyribose Nucleic Acid (DOI: 10.1038/171737a0)

¹⁸ Dulbecco R (March 1986). "A turning point in cancer research: sequencing the human genome". *Science*. 231 (4742): 1055–56. <https://www.science.org/doi/10.1126/science.3945817> Accessed 16 January 2023.

¹⁹ Wikipedia. https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Human_Genome_Project#cite_ref-12

²⁰ Clarke, A.E., Shim, J., Shostak, S. and Nelson, A. (2009) *Biomedicalizing genetic health, diseases and identities*. In: P. Atkinson, P. Glasner and M. Lock (eds.) *Handbook of Genetics and Society: Mapping the New Genomic Era*. London: Routledge, pp. 21–40.

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bottle yet it appears a substantially spiritual underpinning, a cosmic perspective, for the plurality of humanity may be lacking as a wise governor. Humanity requires a functioning GPS to navigate this elephant out of the room.

Here's why. It all relates to A&E! But *no one knows that without a revelation*. We need not only a functioning, but a reliable GPS. A&E facets #4, #6, and #9 above clearly indicate that they have affected all of Urantian history substantially from 37K BC to today. On a normal world, where a Planetary Prince has not rebelled, the A&E pair find a very different situation than the Urantian A&E pair experienced. For example, soon after the arrival of the imported violet or Adamic race the combined efforts between the Planetary Prince regime and A&E succeed in abolishing involuntary servitude.²¹ And at this point, the world-wide culture is ready for the development of civilization. A Secondary Lanonandek Son muses "Think what it would mean on your world if somewhere in the Levant there were a world center of civilization, a great planetary university of culture, which had functioned uninterruptedly for 37,000 years."²² Indeed. On URANTIA, humans slugged it out until the genetics Adam left behind began to express themselves around 5500 BC when civilization appears with the Sumerians. The A&E progeny stayed "on task" for at least 25,000 years implementing their genetic uplift worldwide.

Genomics today provides heightened collaboration and rapid translation between previously dispersed and far-flung fields. Specifically, the postgenomic era research has drawn into its vortex the fields of neuroscience, particularly genetic studies of brain development, structure, and function; human evolution, with a focus on the genomic evolution of the human brain development; and population genetics - the study of the dynamics of human population genetic diversity. It took another decade for these new studies to focus on the genes that might be implicated in mental disorders and developmental brain syndromes such as autism. But that is not where the inquiries stopped.

Since the concentrated study of the genomics of cognitive, mental, and brain disorders yields examples of genes with variants of different frequency in different populations, they foreshadow a wide-open entry way for genetic claims about racial or ethnic differences in brain and

²¹ URANTIA Book. (51:4.7 (585.3))

²² Ibid. 51:6.3 (587.1).

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cognition. And this potentially explosive elephant in the room has already begun showing signs of social and philosophical dysfunction.

Enter Microcephalin and ASPM (Scientific)

Even prior to the completion of the human genome project, by the turn of the millennium a number of peer-reviewed articles reported findings about portions of the Y-chromosome in an effort to determine humanity's most recent common ancestor (MRCA). One of the most referenced is the Stanford University School of Medicine, Stanford, CA, April 4, 2000 *Recent common ancestry of human Y chromosomes: Evidence from DNA sequence data*.²³ This study uses at its base paradigm the "Out of Africa" human origin and migration model. The "Out of Africa" model of human migrations is a theory that suggests that all modern humans originated from a single population in Africa and then dispersed and replaced all other hominid populations around the world. The theory suggests that modern humans (*Homo sapiens*) first appeared in Africa around 200,000 years ago and then began to migrate out of the continent around 60,000 to 70,000 years ago. Their results are only different in degree from previous fossil interpretations; the Thomson et al. results indicate that male movement out of Africa first occurred around 47,000 years ago. The age of a second mutation of the Y chromosome, at around 40,000 years ago, represents an estimate of the time of the beginning of global expansion.

In just one year after the publishing of the human genome, the capability to produce a more granular analysis of genomic data became available. And the approaches became more creative too. For example, the identification of genetic loci (point locations) on specific chromosomes along with the new information as an outcome of the genome mapping project - which tells what particular genes actually perform - became known. A team out of the University of Chicago funded by the Howard Hughes Medical Institute determined that "the identification of genetic loci that have undergone strong positive selection, offer unique opportunities to identify low-level admixture with archaic lineages, provided that the introgressed archaic allele has risen to high frequency under positive selection."²⁴ With that as a foundation the team decided to look at

²³ Thomson, R., et. al. Recent common ancestry of human Y chromosomes: Evidence from DNA sequence data. PNAS u June 20, 2000 u vol. 97 u no. 13.

²⁴ Lahn, B. et. al. Evidence that the adaptive allele of the brain size gene microcephalin introgressed into *Homo sapiens* from an archaic *Homo* lineage. PNAS Vol. 103 | No. 48, November 28, 2006.
<https://www.pnas.org/doi/full/10.1073/pnas.0606966103> Accessed 17 January 2023.

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the genes that regulate brain growth during development: microcephalin and ASPM (abnormal spindle-like microcephaly associated).

The microcephalin gene plays a critical role in the growth of the brain; it sits on the Y-chromosome in pair number 8. The Y-chromosome is known as the male-determiner chromosome, but current research is demonstrating it is much more than just a sex determiner. It certainly signals why the URANTIA papers refer to “Adams plasm.” Clearly the revelation’s GPS reveals another truth path – that tracing the male chromosome will bear fruit. The revelators anticipated precociously the discovery and structure of DNA two decades before the publishing of the papers into a book.

As noted in the last section, the Lahn research team’s genetic research into microcephalin indicates that new genetic material (an allele) became introduced “positively” about 37,000 years ago while the foundation (the locus) of the microcephalin gene clocks in at approximately 990,000 years ago. The supposed mutation at 37K BC then spread into most of the human population quite rapidly, with the exception of sub-Saharan Africa.

These time windows are extraordinarily short in evolutionary terms. This abnormally rapid advance of the variant gene into humans indicates that the new variants were subject to very intense selection pressure that drove up their frequencies in a very brief period of time—both well after the assumed emergence of modern humans about 200,000 years ago. Each variant emerged around the same time as the advent of “cultural” behaviors and the rise of the first known civilizations. The microcephalin variant appears along with the emergence of such traits as art and music, religious practices and sophisticated tool-making techniques. The ASPM variant coincides with the oldest-known civilization, Mesopotamia, which dates to a timeframe between 7000-5500 BC.

The URANTIA revelation’s A&E narrative and associated cosmic relationships provides one the mentation and reflection space to transition and transform one’s current truth into a progressing unified coherent cosmic context with a goal of improved truth. The entire cosmic picture beginning with the Planetary Prince should give those who have been conjecturing about “ancient aliens” a glimmer of hope that they have been on a relatively correct GPS path so far.

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Nevertheless, without an epochal revelation to make sense of it all, the path will wind up in a cul-de-sac. We'll flesh this out some more later in this essay along with how science might avoid a potentially tragic ethical path.

The Truth and the Superconscious Consequences (Philosophy & Revelation)

There are many terms in the URANTIA book that produce amplified meanings from conventional usage. "Truth" is one of these. The way the revelation positions the term truth is based upon the cosmic picture that starts with God as the uncaused "First Source and Center" or alternatively the "I AM" responsible for the creation of a well-nigh infinite Master Universe. Indeed, the question "are we alone in the universe?" takes on nonsensical proportions for one who assesses the enormity of the creation the revelation paints. Everything else, and I mean *everything* else revealed in The URANTIA Book takes its truth in an unbroken path from that religious faith about the Infinite One. To effectuate an unbroken chain of morontia and spirit ministers as theorized in the concept of "the great chain of being"²⁵ the created order of A&E's are necessary and required during the timeline of a planet's evolution to provide for the help and guidance of any human who seeks to attain the Universal Father.

One short sentence by a Melchizedek contains the comprehension for an advanced perspective of truth: "The truth—an understanding of cosmic relationships, universe facts, and spiritual values—can best be had through the ministry of the Spirit of Truth and can best be criticized by revelation."²⁶ What this means to me is that truth has many levels or layers. Material levels that include truth tables, reasoning, and logic are able to arrive at the *truthfulness* of a proposition – sometimes referred to as "the truth." But the truth of truth, the reality of truth in a cosmic perspective, exceeds the material level and goes right on up to achieve the infinite wholeness of the Absolute truth – which is theoretically non-attainable. Along the way, as one's understanding of patterns (knowledge) expands into unification of those archetypes (wisdom) that meet the test of living faith, one's consciousness of the truth of reality transitions from material foundations to

²⁵ This is a concept that belongs to a culture-independent idea referred to as the "perennial philosophy" traceable across 3000 years of mystical and esoteric writings. According to Aldous Huxley, the phrase was coined by Leibniz. (See Huxley, A. The Perennial Philosophy. Harper & Row, Publishers, Inc., NY, NY., 1944). See also Wikipedia Contributors. "Perennial philosophy." Wikipedia. Wikimedia Foundation, 22 April 2006 , https://en.wikipedia.org/w/index.php?title=Perennial_philosophy&action=history&dir=prev. Accessed 2 January 2023.

²⁶ URANTIA Book. (103:7.8 (1138.6)).

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the domain of the soul – morontia, i.e., “more real” with spirit not far off. In effect, one moves the truth seat of one’s experience from functioning of the conscious to the domain of the superconscious.

It's a fact that Jesus taught about this. The midwayers restate the substance of Jesus’ teaching to a Mithraic leader that “truth transcends such purely material levels in that it consorts with wisdom and embraces such imponderables as human experience, even spiritual and living realities.”²⁷ Jesus implies that truth is beyond knowledge; it is based upon earned knowledge but exceeds knowledge and may be difficult if not incapable of describing with words as truth to be understood must be experienced. Ironically, in many cases when one applies words to a truth, it has a high probable chance of devolving to a lower level depending upon an individual’s breadth and depth of cosmic consciousness. Analogously, when an organization commits a vision to language it has the propensity of reducing it to a goal or an objective.

When a symbol as a logo or a pithy phrase, for example, maintains lasting capacity, it demonstrates the embodiment of more than mere words. Truth acts much like a symbol. It represents a larger complexity by association, resemblance, or convention. For example, a vampire, when it was first conceived, used to represent symbol of the evils and absurdities of a predatory aristocracy — a blood-sucking royalty, often linked by family ties to foreign governments, that feed off the labors of the middle and working classes as they became an emergent and productive segment of society.

For well over a hundred and fifty years, psychologists have accepted the existence of the subconscious.²⁸ Consensus is that the subconscious is responsible mostly for autonomic functions, such as breathing, heart functioning, and body temperature. Brian Tracy illustrates that one can compare the subconscious mind to flying a plane on autopilot. He contends it is constantly running programs to control how we walk, sit, breathe, talk, and so on.²⁹ It builds unconscious patterns like language dialects that we hardly notice until we travel to different locations. One does not process these types of lower-level sensory functions consciously. The

²⁷ URANTIA Book. (132:3.2 (1459.2)).

²⁸ Wikipedia Contributors. “Subconscious” Wikipedia. Wikimedia Foundation, 4 November 2006. <https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Subconscious>. Accessed 3 January 2023.

²⁹ Tracy, B. *Subconscious Mind Power Explained*. <https://www.briantracy.com/blog/personal-success/understanding-your-subconscious-mind/>. Accessed 3 January 2023.

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constancy and rapidity required by the task far exceed the capability of the conscious. Anecdotal empirical evidence suggests, however, that the conscious can re-direct the subconscious by reprogramming.³⁰ There is general agreement on the extent of the subconscious with some major differences on the details as well as how memory is stored.

The revelation supports the truth of these assertions. It goes deeper however to reveal that prayer can connect with the subconscious, but qualifies that only at a material level. “Prayer induces the human ego to look both ways for help: for material aid to the subconscious reservoir of mortal experience, for inspiration and guidance to the superconscious borders of the contact of the material with the spiritual, with the Mystery Monitor.”³¹ With respect to revelation, be it epochal or personal, it is the enacting of one’s “reality response”³² or “truth bells” that allows one’s faith to reach for, and subsequently accept, expanded levels of truth. It is essential to note that this expansion does not jettison the previous truth, but leavens it with increased understanding, unifying, and cohering knowledge patterns. My original picture of A&E as they related to universal genesis remains a necessary and undeniable part of my character development; it persists as an original layer of my intellectual, social, and spiritual makeup.

It is through one’s superconscious however, that the Fifth Epochal Revelation provides a solid GPS path for illumination and potential insight related to A&E’s plan following their mission default. Let us take a brief look at the Adamic mission and why I posit this part of the revelation is related to the superconscious.

The disclosure of the A&E mission looks as if it falls into the category of “pure revelation.” By that we mean that the concept of a “mission” enlightened by the revelation for A&E was not anywhere on the mental radar of even the most astute progressive thinkers of the past three millenniums, and more specifically the past century. To date, a human source concept or knowledge contribution for the A&E mission is not known. If one truly does exist, this fact

³⁰ O’Flaherty, T. How to Reprogram Your Subconscious. Independently Published. (2017).

³¹ URANTIA book. (91:3.5 (997.3)).

³² URANTIA Book. (16:6.4 (191.7)) “There exists in all personality associations of the cosmic mind a quality which might be denominated the “reality response.” It is this universal cosmic endowment of will creatures which saves them from becoming helpless victims of the implied a priori assumptions of science, philosophy, and religion. This reality sensitivity of the cosmic mind responds to certain phases of reality just as energy-material responds to gravity. It would be still more correct to say that these supermaterial realities so respond to the mind of the cosmos. (a Universal Censor).

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would allow the revelator³³ to expand the truth of the concept as it appeared in a human mind prior to 1934/35. As I mentioned in Chapter One, a Melchizedek of Nebadon explains the rules of revelation strictly prohibit presenting knowledge before at least one human conceived it.³⁴ Doing so would constitute revealing knowledge before it was “earned.” So how is this truth of A&E’s mission allowable under the laws of revelation?

The answer to our question is at the heart of the theme of this chapter: recent scientific evidence unrelated to the revelation, points directly to not only the dates the revelation provides, but the exact global dispersion of a specific DNA component related to brain size is resident in a significant majority of the planet’s population. I discuss this in some rigor below.

Epochal Revelation’s GPS (Revelation, Philosophy, Science, & Religion)

Frankly, the knowledge of the existence of Adam and Eve is not new revelation. After all, the fact of A&E’s existence survived up to today, that’s 38,000 years! With expanded revelation we now have, in my estimation is: the knowledge of how and where they fit into URANTIA’s cosmic picture: the fact that they are a material order of sex creatures; the truth that their mission is universal among inhabited planets; and the fact that URANTIA presented such dire situations set the conditions for cajoling them into breaching the Divine plan.

The A&E’s have a specific joint mission on every planet inhabited by humans: that of biologic “accelerators” or “uplifters.”³⁵ An Archangel of Nebadon reveals in describing the overall development of civilization that “... the *Adamic blood did augment the inherent ability* of the races and *did accelerate the pace of economic development and industrial progression*. Adam’s bestowal *improved the brain power*³⁶ of the races, thereby greatly hastening the processes of natural evolution.”³⁷ (italicizing - my emphasis).

³³ There are no less than a dozen revelators that provide information related to A&E throughout the papers. The list is long: Solonia, the voice in the garden; a Melchizedek; a Divine Counselor to mention three.

³⁴ I refer the reader back to paragraph 3 on page 5 of chapter I. Also Cf. (101:4.1 (1109.2)).

³⁵ Ibid. ((31:5.2 (349.2) & 40:2.2 (444.2)/3:7.4 (827.3)).

³⁶ The use of “plasm” and “brain power” is an example of the limitations of epochal revelation discussed earlier in Chapter one. By 1934/5, DNA had not yet been discovered and the double helix model hypothesized and proven. The truth contained in the use of “plasm” and “blood” is not lost on the further knowledge of what this meant in 1934/5. Cf: National Institutes of Health. *The Discovery of the Double Helix*, 1951-1953.

<https://profiles.nlm.nih.gov/spotlight/sc/feature/doublehelix> Accessed 2 January 2023.

³⁷ Ibid. ((81:5.1 (905.6))).

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I underscore the salient outcomes of the A&E mission to point to the primary objectives the revelation allows us to be privy to - now that the Fifth Epochal Revelation is available. The A&E revealed mission is to accelerate both culture and biology by augmenting evolution “naturally.” The key term is augment: to supplement, to boost, to reinforce. The A&E’s mission is to augment evolution, not to revolutionize the natural and measured patterns of either biology or societal development. A Melchizedek of the Jerusem School of Planetary Administration, reveals that there is a peak to biologic evolution no matter what physical type of human is evolving on an inhabited planet.³⁸ An A&E pair augment further evolution of the races by an actual contribution of their DNA acting as a “strong positive selection” in the human evolutionary lineage.³⁹ But this aspect is not the entire story. We shall see that there is yet another interesting methodology the A&E story alludes to with respect to DNA, or in mid-twentieth century terms “plasm.”

³⁸ URANTIA Book. (49:5.25 (567.5))

³⁹ Science is on the cusp of understanding the ramifications of “positive selection.” See <https://www.nature.com/scitable/topicpage/evolutionary-adaptation-in-the-human-lineage-12397/> (Accessed Thursday, October 27, 2022).

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A long-term student of the URANTIA revelation would typically approach what the revelation has to say about a facet of history by not beginning with facts but with an insight of truth. One works from the insight down as opposed to the facts up. If I'm correct about this, a student of the revelation begins with the insight and proceeds to integrate the facts. One insight is the cosmic breadth of A&E's mission. Without that as a backdrop, the remedial action A&E had to take after the default, renders the introgression of Adam's "plasm" (DNA) into humans a difficult to

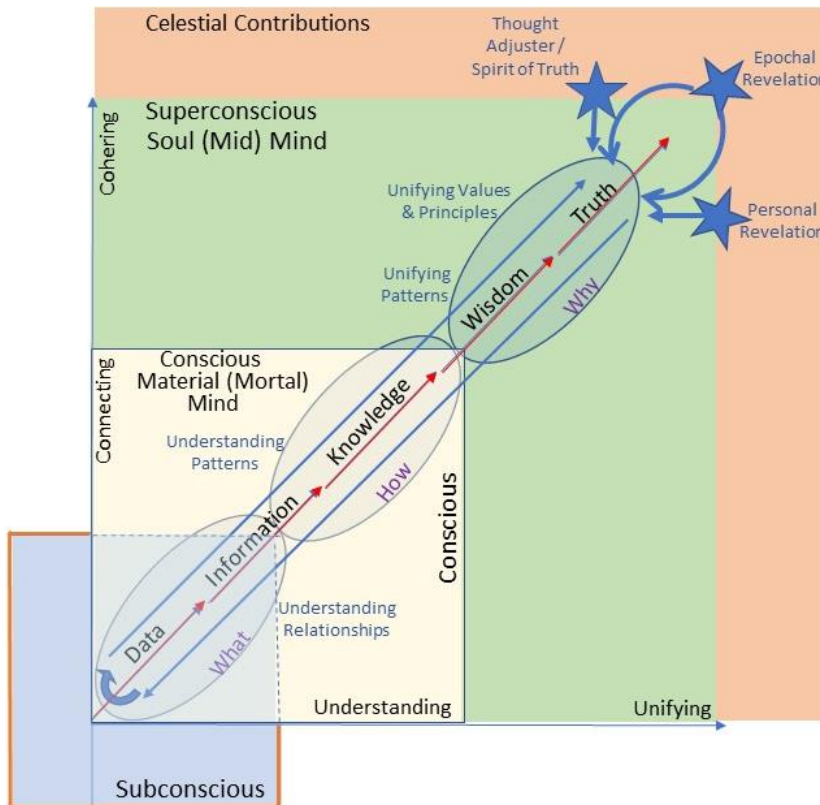


Figure 1: Consciousness has three levels that are all involved with the path to truth.

understand fact and that unfortunately can engender political and social ramifications that today are culturally inflammatory.

We reason that Solonia, the seraphic “voice in the garden,” can reveal the A&E mission to the extent of the details she provides in papers 75 *The Default of Adam and Eve* and 76 *The Second Garden* due to the fact that the progress angels⁴⁰ most likely forecasted the knowledge that DNA and associated molecular cellular details were soon to be known

after 1934/5. It is reasonable to further conjecture that a short time after that discovery the known global distribution of a specific allele and haplogroup related to brain size would be forthcoming soon after the completion of the mapping of the entire human genome.⁴¹

The Truth Process and the Superconscious Consequences (Philosophy & Revelation)

⁴⁰ URANTIA Book. Cf. Paper 114 *Seraphic Planetary Government*.

⁴¹ Collins, F. *The Human Genome Project* <https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pmc/articles/PMC6875757/> Alcohol Health Res World. 1995; 19(3): 190–195. Accessed 20 January 2023

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Figure 1 is a graphic portraying three-levels of consciousness that can unify a bi-directional truth process. I believe it is unique in that it is a model that incorporates ostensibly disparate concepts related to mind, matter, revelation, and spiritual aspects into a cosmic archetypal structure. The most salient but least openly discussed aspect is the area labeled the superconscious. Neither science nor religion spends any time on this exoteric topic. The process unfolds or enfold (depending on one's background and starting point) with respect to data, information, knowledge, wisdom, and truth – all under a rubric of three levels of cosmic mind.⁴² One arrives at truth either evolutionally or revelationally; both are valid paths to a truth and *the truth*. The graphic is based upon an extension of the knowledge creation process as found in many knowledge management artifacts and is one used frequently in the study of epistemology.⁴³

In discussing religious growth, a Melchizedek makes a common-sense statement to reflect upon: “If one is disposed to recognize a theoretical subconscious mind as a practical working hypothesis in the otherwise unified intellectual life, then, to be consistent, one should postulate a similar and corresponding realm of ascending intellectual activity as the superconscious level, the zone of immediate contact with the indwelling spirit entity, the Thought Adjuster.”⁴⁴ The Melchizedek could very well have put a period after “level.” But because he delivers his portion of an epochal revelation, he consistently reveals to us that the Thought Adjuster resides in the part of a human's mind that is *above* consciousness but somehow can communicate with consciousness nonetheless. Notice he did not use “supra” as the prefix. “Super” qualifies a subject is “exactly the same as its qualified theme, but bigger or better or greater in some way.”⁴⁵ I don't think the spatial reference is a metaphor either. Space does not constrain cosmic mind functions; mind exists and functions *in* space.⁴⁶

To arrive at truth evolutionarily, one must begin with the collection of sensory data; much of the data we receive is unconscious. When either the subconscious or consciousness itself integrates

⁴² See footnote #10 in Chapter One: [As an adjective qualifier, cosmic refers to a reality that can exist in the most expansive picture one can muster on any or all of the four levels as declared by the Divine Counselor of Uversa, and then some. “[Paradise] is the absolute of cosmic reality ...” 104:5.6 (1151.6)]

⁴³ Footnote here of various books and websites (Gene, Allee, Wiig, and Nonaka among others)

⁴⁴ URANTIA Book. (100:5.6 (1099.4)).

⁴⁵ Grammarist. Super or Supra. <https://grammarist.com/words/super-vs-supra/#:~:text=Supra%20is%20rare%2C%20but%20it,and%20the%20noun%20it%20modifies>. Accessed 6 January 2023.

⁴⁶ URANTIA Book. Cf. (130:7.1 (1438.4 - 1439.6)) Jesus' discussion on Time and Space. (

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data to some relational connection, we now have information. The midwayers expound upon this in evaluating Judas. “And all these accumulations of human resentment and bitter disappointment which Judas had laid by in his soul in habiliments of hate were now well organized in his subconscious mind and ready to spring up to engulf him when he once dared to separate himself from the supporting influence of his brethren while at the same time exposing himself to the clever insinuations and subtle ridicule of the enemies of Jesus.”⁴⁷ When the interplay between the subconscious and conscious becomes a self-reinforcing loop, one becomes mired hopelessly in materialism. To truly progress toward truth, one must process new enriching knowledge along the way. One pursues this next level with understanding - not only relationships, but patterns, and better yet, cosmic patterns.

The borderland between consciousness and the superconscious is not a hard seam as **Figure 1** depicts. There can be as much interplay between these two mindal levels as with the former pair. Wisdom begins to emerge from this edge. It is the true area where the personality is able to experience consciousness of consciousness. It is where the Mystery Monitor consciousnesses the soul by spiritizing one's conscious thoughts. Wisdom conditions love and loyalty qualifies it; Judas had neither. Bellinger⁴⁸ makes an insightful interpretation concerning wisdom: “... wisdom is an extrapolative and non-deterministic, non-probabilistic process. It calls upon all the previous levels of consciousness, and specifically upon special types of human programming (moral, ethical codes, etc.). It beckons to give us understanding about which there has previously been no understanding, and in doing so, goes far beyond understanding itself. It is the essence of philosophical probing.” This implies personality is free from antecedent causation.

The evolutionary path to truth I have just outlined begins with the subconscious and progresses in consciousness through decision by conscious decision under willful human effort. There is an alternative route that takes a more immediate entrance and one that is more connected to religious beliefs than a scientific hypothesis. It begins in the superconscious with revelation. It goes by many names: spiritual insight; revelation; prevision; cosmic insight; spiritual transformation; epiphany; religious insight, love etc. In a word, that which catalyzes creative

⁴⁷ URANTIA Book. (177:4.11 (1926.4)).

⁴⁸ Bellinger, G., et. Al. Data, Information, Knowledge, and Wisdom. <https://www.systems-thinking.org/dikw/dikw.htm> Accessed 6 January 2023.

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imagination. Creativity inherently comes to the consciousness through presentments from the superconscious. My experience at the business seminar that day in 1969 was my spiritual enlightenment that gave me a new ability to discern spiritual truths and reject those that are off the GPS truth path.

A Solitary Messenger makes the profound statement that: “Only in the higher levels of the superconscious mind as it impinges upon the spirit realm of human experience can you find those higher concepts in association with effective master patterns which will contribute to the building of a better and more enduring civilization.”⁴⁹ As discussed previously in this chapter, the Adamic missions are to further the causes of progressive planetary civilization, which includes cohering and unifying the constitutive endowments of man—science, morality, and religion – i.e., COSAR. On URANTIA, our A&E’s default and subsequent shortened life, required a remedial plan that appears to have borne fruit by sometime around 5500 BC.

Brain Power - Superconscious Master Patterns (Science, Philosophy, & Revelation)

A&E’s remedial plan included augmenting the physical “brain power,” of humanity to begin to build those necessary master patterns of which Adam’s progeny could then begin to slowly but naturally leaven all phases of art, science, and social culture that were able to express themselves under an improved mindal capacity. An Archangel of Nebadon tells us that “From about 30,000 to 10,000 B.C. epoch-making racial mixtures were taking place throughout southwestern Asia.”⁵⁰

In a section of paper seventy-five entitled *The Urantia Problem*⁵¹ Solonia, the seraphic “voice in the Garden” describes the condition of the planet when A&E arrived as nothing short of what the 1896 science fiction story “The Island of Doctor Moreau” portrays. Solonia notes that “defectives and degenerates from among the human strains ... dismayed” A&E even though they trained for more than fifteen thousand years on Jerusem. They were physically, mentally, and spiritually isolated due to the Lucifer rebellion cutting off communication to and from the planet; “they were day by day confronted with some new and complicated tangle, some problem that

⁴⁹ URANTIA Book. (111:4.5 (1220.4))

⁵⁰ Ibid. (78:3.4 (870.7)).

⁵¹ Ibid. (75:1.1 (839.2)).

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seemed to be unsolvable. ... They could see no way out of the dilemma, and they could not take counsel with their superiors on either Jerusem or Edentia.”⁵²

I don't think we can imagine how bad it must have been for A&E on day one on the planet. I somewhat ruefully made allusion to “The Island of Doctor Moreau.” Reflecting on this possibility raises the conjecture it may have been *worse*. Add to that an impending ice age was on the cusp while Sabre tooth tigers, huge reptiles, and wooly mammoths still roamed the planet. No wonder they had a wall to protect them from the “elements.” Solonia doesn't pull any punches.

“Adam and Eve found themselves on a sphere wholly unprepared for the proclamation of the brotherhood of man, a world groping about in abject spiritual darkness and cursed with confusion worse confounded by the miscarriage of the mission of the preceding administration. Mind and morals were at a low level, and instead of beginning the task of effecting religious unity, they must begin all anew the work of converting the inhabitants to the simplest forms of religious belief. Instead of finding one language ready for adoption, they were confronted by the world-wide confusion of hundreds upon hundreds of local dialects. No Adam of the planetary service was ever set down on a more difficult world; the obstacles seemed insuperable and the problems beyond creature solution.”⁵³

Progressive civilization's master patterns obviously did not exist in 37,848 BC. Nor did the “brain power” to build, communicate, and maintain them. I believe this is why Solonia portrays such a bleak situation. Mind was at a “low level.”

Some speculation is required here to advance toward a more elevated productive GPS truth path. Remember the A&E's are specifically instructed to NOT mate with the human population directly. That is the task of their children and grandchildren.

Eve's impatient misdemeanor essentially tore a hole in the space-time continuum. She carried the offspring of a hybrid human and a first-order materialized daughter of God. It is difficult to imagine why this act, in and of itself, was such a terrible breach of the original upstepping plan (it is described as Divine). But Adam had an inkling of the severity. He fretted for seventy days

⁵² Ibid. (75:1.1 (839.2)).

⁵³ Ibid. (75:1.3 (839.4)).

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(after sequestering himself for the first thirty of those) of what sounds like pure anxiety. Only when the Melchizedeks showed up did he know they defaulted in their mission.

Euphemistically speaking, all hell broke loose with the outlying tribes forcing these now two humans to flee their home and find a more secure location to begin mapping out how they might salvage their mission and those that were dependent upon them. It must have been a truly trying time for once high celestial agents who lost their superhumanness. They set out for a “second garden” in what one might postulate as something similar to what the Donner party had on their caravan across the American West. The saving grace appeared in the bestowal of thought adjusters upon becoming human. Ironically this afforded them advantages they did not have as superhumans.

I raise this particular salient revelational disclosure – that of the superconscious – as prima facie evidence surrounding the revelation of A&E’s adjusted plan of “race improvement” after arriving at the second garden. We will subsequently look at the science that now validates this revelatory assertion.

“After becoming established in the second garden on the Euphrates, Adam elected to leave behind as much of his life plasm as possible to benefit the world after his death. Accordingly, Eve was made the head of a commission of twelve on race improvement, and before Adam died this commission had selected 1,682 of the highest type of women on URANTIA, and these women were impregnated with the Adamic life plasm. Their children all grew up to maturity except 112, so that the world, in this way, was benefited by the addition of 1,570 superior men and women. Though these candidate mothers were selected from all the surrounding tribes and represented most of the races on earth, the majority were chosen from the highest strains of the Nodites, and they constituted the early beginnings of the mighty Andite race. These children were born and reared in the tribal surroundings of their respective mothers.”⁵⁴

Think about what this paragraph is revealing. It discloses a great deal about how A&E implemented the replan while raising some very interesting questions. If one reads and reflects upon these outwardly mundane statements, it is abundantly clear that our Urantian A&E remained true to their mission. This new plan clearly prescribes human race improvement

⁵⁴ Ibid. (76:4.8 (851.6)).

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through some mechanism by which A&E's commission deployed the "Adamic life plasm" into a very small population. It suggests the replan A&E made after the emigration from the original garden to the second garden as a global effort.

The implications are fascinating; the questions are multifarious. How would a mere 1,570 individuals whose children were essentially hybrids – they had combined DNA from the Violet race along with whatever mixture of Andonite, Sangik, and mostly Nodite – reach a plurality of the human population? Recent scientific research estimates the percentage to be in the vicinity of 70%. Let's explore how this might have happened.

Microcephalin and Backcrossing (Science & Religion)

It is important to repeat once again that the University of Chicago lead scientist Dr. Bruce Lahn's reports in the two related papers⁵⁵ published in the Friday, Sept. 9 2005 issue of *Science*, that for microcephalin, the new variant class emerged about 37,000 years ago and now shows up in about 70 percent of present-day humans. For ASPM, the new variant class arose about 5,800 years ago and now shows up in approximately 30 percent of today's humans. The dates and the types of gene emergence in relation to the A&E URANTIA Book milestones are stunning to say the least. It is exciting to think that for a long-term truth seeker whose truth bells went off so long ago when the revelation became known, can rest assured that the facts are now emerging that can elevate that truth to better and better planetary if not cosmic pictures. For these individuals, like myself, we hoped but hardly expected that confirmation would be so soon; we followed the truth path from the top down and now are cycling back up.⁵⁶

Science is catching up to the revelation in many areas related to a number of disciplines, in particular, that of genome sequencing. It is also leading to creative if not inventive conclusions based upon some indeterminate assumptions. Nevertheless, the revelatory GPS continues to correlate closely with many emerging facts. According to Catherine Gianaro writing in the University of Chicago Chronical, these two aforementioned genes that Lahn researched regulate

⁵⁵ Science. Microcephalin, a Gene Regulating Brain Size, Continues to Evolve Adaptively in Humans. Vol 309, Issue 5741 pp. 1717-1720, 9 Sep 2005. Accessed 2 January 2023; Science. Ongoing Adaptive Evolution of ASPM, a Brain Size Determinant in Homo sapiens. <https://www.science.org/doi/10.1126/science.1116815> Vol 309, Issue 5741, pp. 1720-1722. Accessed 2 January 2023.

⁵⁶ Cf. Figure 1.

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malformations of brain size during development⁵⁷ lead to some interesting inferences.⁵⁸ Lahn hypothesizes that the gene variants had spread quickly among these populations because, in contrast to microcephaly variants at those loci that *decrease* brain size, the favored variants (positively selected) *increase* brain size, and hence intelligence, of those who carried them. Provocatively, Lahn further suggests that the widespread frequency of these gene variants in non-African populations may help to explain the civilizational and cultural success of Eurasian populations, including the spread of domestication and the development of cities and written language.

Lahn, following the lead of the clinical genetics field, asserted in his 2005 papers that ASPM and microcephalin were validated genes “determining” and “controlling” human brain size. In this case, the assumption that a gene, if compromised in some way that it causes cognitive deficit, may be expected to lead to enhanced intelligence, if normal or boosted, conflated what would otherwise be potentially an unacceptable and unpublishable speculative hypothesis in a very conservative area of research.⁵⁹ In my estimation, this assumption is a reasonable hypothesis that should have corroborative evidence after going through the usual scientific rigor. There are a number of potentially contradictory pieces of information: for one, both genes are ubiquitous throughout the body. Their principal known function is in mitosis (cell division).⁶⁰

In an extremely well referenced article *Whole Brain Size and General Mental Ability: A Review* published in 2009 by J. Philippe Rushton and C. Davison Ankney in *The International Journal of Neuroscience* concluded that the lack of correlation between brain size and IQ demonstrates the so-called “paradox of sex.”⁶¹ Though women’s brains are on average 100 grams lighter than

⁵⁷ Microcephalin is a genetic variant that plays a role in human growth and brain development throughout the entire lifespan. However, its most significant effects are during prenatal and early postnatal development, when the brain is rapidly growing and forming connections. Studies have shown that individuals with this variant have smaller brain size and cognitive differences compared to those without the variant.

ASPM (abnormal spindle-like microcephaly associated) is a gene that plays a role in brain development. It encodes a protein that is important for the proper formation and function of the mitotic spindle, which is a structure that is necessary for cell division. Mutations in the ASPM gene have been linked to a condition called primary microcephaly, which is characterized by a smaller than normal brain size.

⁵⁸ Gianaro Catherine. Lahn’s analysis of genes indicates human brain continues to evolve. September 22, 2005. Vol. 25 No. 1. October 25, 2022. < <http://chronicle.uchicago.edu/050922/brainevolution.shtml>>

⁵⁹ Richardson S. *Race and IQ in the postgenomic age: The microcephaly case*. *BioSocieties* (2011) 6, 420–446. doi:10.1057/biosoc.2011.20; published online 17 October 2011. Accessed 19 January 2023.

⁶⁰ Bond, J. et al. *ASPM is a major determinant of cerebral cortical size*. *Nature Genetics* 32(2): 316–320. (2002).

⁶¹ Richardson, S. (2011)

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males when corrected for body size, men and women show negligible or no differences in IQ. This and other discoveries after Lahn's articles throw uncertainty on assumptions that ASPM and microcephalin determine and control human brain size. J. Phillippe Rushton reported that: "Unfortunately for the Microcephalin hypothesis, four sets of association studies have now found normal variants of these genes are unrelated to either brain size or GMA (Dobson-Stone et al., 2007; Mekel-Bobrov et al., 2007; Rushton, Vernon, et al., 2007; Woods et al., 2006)."⁶² (GMA stands for general mental ability). In a previous study, Rushton, Vernon, et al.,⁶³ found no relation in 644 Canadian subjects with two tests of GMA [general mental ability], a measure of head circumference, and two tests of social intelligence (altruism and prosocial attitudes).

We raise these issues to advise the reader not to rush to judgement. But don't throw the baby out with the bathwater. Consider that the field itself may be doing just that based upon generally accepted beliefs and personal subconscious biases. The scaffolding the revelation provides, even with the ringing of truth bells, still requires a taxonomic descent to learn more facts before the truthful rise back through knowledge - ultimately leading to wisdom and truth. Our point here is to assert the undeniable correlation between the revelation's prescient statements and the subsequent verifiable scientific data supporting what were in 1934 practically laughable assertions.

Still, to say emerging science supports the URANTIA Book revelation regarding not only the A&E mission, but the *actual* disclosed anticipated outcome of the aborted assignment, is an understatement. Dr. Lahn states "In a very short period of time, this class of variants arose from a single copy to many copies. That implies that this must have happened because of positive selection,"⁶⁴ Lahn points out that it is statistically unlikely for a haplogroup this young to have such high frequency as a result of mere random genetic drift. This particular portion of Lahn's analysis of the extraordinary single inclusion and rapidity of incorporation into the human genome of these two genes into a global preponderance in less than 38,000 years, is indicative of

⁶² Rushton, J. & Ankney, C. *Whole Brain Size and General Mental Ability: A Review*. The International Journal of Neuroscience, 2009 Apr; 119(5): 692–732. <https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pmc/articles/PMC2668913/> Accessed 20 January 2023

⁶³ Rushton, J.P., Vernon, P.A. and Bons, T.A. No evidence that polymorphisms of brain regulator genes Microcephalin and ASPM are associated with general mental ability, head circumference or altruism. *Biology Letters* 3(2): 157–160. (2007)

⁶⁴ Lahn. (2005, 2006).

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A&E taking specific actions after arriving in the second Garden to effectuate this scenario both before and after they left the planet. They essentially had just over 500 years to accomplish this. The single copy is defined by Lahn as “*introgression*.”⁶⁵ ⁶⁶ In a subsequent article in Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences (PNAS) November 28, 2006, Dr. Lahn and his co-authors say this:

“The gene microcephalin (MCPH1) regulates brain size during development and has experienced positive selection in the lineage leading to *Homo sapiens*. Within modern humans, a group of closely related haplotypes at this locus, known as haplogroup D, rose from a single copy $\approx 37,000$ years ago and swept to exceptionally high frequency ($\approx 70\%$ worldwide today) because of positive selection. Here, we examine the origin of haplogroup D. By using the interhaplogroup divergence test, we show that haplogroup D likely originated from a *lineage separated from modern humans ≈ 1.1 million years ago* and introgressed into humans by $\approx 37,000$ years ago.” (Italics mine)

There are two points to make here. 1) A new segment of genetic material, found in haplogroup D, was introduced *into* the microcephalin gene in the human Y-chromosome from a “single progenitor” “about 37,000” years ago.⁶⁷ And 2) the gene reached 70% of the human population by introgression and positive selection, as opposed to “natural drift.” These are the factual findings of Dr. Lahn’s research.

Lahn’s papers did not mention backcrossing as a potential process with respect to these genes. Backcrossing refers to the breeding of a hybrid organism with one of its parents or a closely related individual in order to reintroduce the desired traits from the parent into the hybrid. Interestingly, especially with how the URANTIA revelation describes A&E’s second garden strategy, makes one look to backcrossing as a methodology they had to take based upon the

⁶⁵ “Introgression.” *Wikipedia*, Wikimedia Foundation, 5 July 2022.

<https://en.wikipedia.org/w/index.php?title=Introgression&action=history>.

⁶⁶ Introgression refers to the movement of genetic material (such as genes or chromosomes) from one population or species into the gene pool of another population or species through interbreeding. This can occur naturally or through *human-mediated activities* such as hybridization or genetic engineering. Introgression can result in the transfer of beneficial traits from one population to another, but can also lead to the loss of genetic diversity and the emergence of new genetic disorders.

⁶⁷ Howard Hughes Medical Institute. “Could Interbreeding Between Humans and Neanderthals Have Led to an Enhanced Human Brain?” NOV 06 2006. < <https://www.hhmi.org/news/could-interbreeding-between-humans-and-neanderthals-have-led-enhanced-human-brain>>

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situation. Paradoxically, backcrossing is often used as a strategy to *introgress* specific genes or traits from one population or species into another. For example, if a plant breeder wants to introduce a disease-resistant trait from a wild relative of a crop into a domesticated variety, they might first create a hybrid between the wild and domesticated plants and then backcross it with the domesticated variety to reintroduce the desired trait while minimizing the transfer of other unwanted traits.

Introgression is a long-term process; it may take many hybrid generations before significant backcrossing⁶⁸ occurs. The introgression process is distinct from most forms of gene flow in that it occurs between two populations of different species, rather than two populations of the same species. It is a process that requires an agent to purposively add the gene externally. With backcrossing, a hybrid crosses with one of its parents or an individual genetically similar to its parent, to achieve offspring with a genetic identity closer to that of the parent.

Reflecting upon these strategies, A&E's adjusted plan for biologic uplift appears the revelation describes some form of backcrossing/introgression designed and implemented to effect the planet's human biology after the miscarriage of the mission.

There is some disagreement as to the best dates for the emergence of anatomically modern humans. However, according to Lahn fossil records indicate that anatomically modern humans first emerged $\approx 200,000$ years ago in Africa and since then spread throughout the world.⁶⁹ Katzen has said:

"... new discoveries about ancient human history, especial genetics research, lend support to The URANTIA Book's statements about when four major genetic changes occurred in the development of civilization. The URANTIA Book says that the first two major changes were mutations. The initial mutation evolved man out of the animal level of existence into a pre-civilizable expression of humanity. The second one gave human beings a genetic foundation that was civilizable, but still pre-modern. These occurred approximately 1,000,000 years ago and

⁶⁸ "Backcrossing." *Wikipedia*, Wikimedia Foundation, 11 August 2022. <https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Backcrossing>

⁶⁹ I McDougall, FH Brown, JG Fleagle. *Nature*. Pgs. 433, 733–736 (2005).

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500,000 years ago. The second two major changes involved superhuman additions to the gene pool. These occurred approximately 200,000 years ago and 38,000 years [sic] ago."⁷⁰

It is the third superhuman addition that is described in the revelation in paper seventy-seven regarding the dispersion that took place regarding the Nodite race, who carried “powerful life-maintenance circuits of the Satania system.”⁷¹ The Bible faithfully recalls the “land of Nod.” Similar to the A&E introgression, the corporeal one-hundred from the first epochal revelation, had children who were of “unexpected excellence characterized not only physical and intellectual qualities but also spiritual capacities.” This correlates with current science as to the emergence of anatomically modern humans. In fact, the Archangel reveals that “this explains how the Sumerians appeared so suddenly and mysteriously on the stage of action in Mesopotamia. ... [which is] the beginning of the Sumerians, who had their origin two hundred thousand years ago.”⁷²

Nobel Prize Winner Takes Notice (Scientific & Revelation)

These prescient claims found in the UB revelation have been noticed and acknowledged by some very astute scientists. The late Nobel prize winner Kary Mullis has a page that discusses in summary “Striking Coincidences Between the URANTIA Book (Copyright 1955); three articles in *Science*: 309 (2005); and one in *Nature*, (2005).” Dr. Mullis received a Nobel Prize in chemistry in 1993, for his invention of the polymerase chain reaction (PCR). The process, which Mullis conceptualized in 1983, is hailed as one of the monumental scientific techniques of the twentieth century. The PCR is the foundation for the mRNA vaccines that put an end to the COVID pandemic. Dr. Mullis says:

Several scientific developments, unexpected in 1955, reported in 2005 in *Science* and *Nature*, and referenced below, were somehow, described rather precisely already in the URANTIA Book. I have documented three cases here, but there are many contemporary scientific discoveries which were first posited as far as I can tell, in this rather large tome. There is much in here, the truth of which cannot be judged from the apparent truth of these several instances. The

⁷⁰ Katzen, H. *Adam and Eve Report*. <https://ubannotated.com/wp-content/uploads/2018/03/AdamEve.pdf> Updated 10/3/09. Accessed 20 January 2023.

⁷¹ URANTIA Book. (77:2.5 (857.2))

⁷² Ibid. (77:4.7 (860.2))

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book claims a large number of authors. Much of it would be considered "politically incorrect" and might infuriate some people. I suggest that you not be shooting at the messenger; I am just reporting what I have observed.⁷³

Dr. Mullis maps the URANTIA Book's statements against contemporary science discoveries:

- 1) The age of the earth and moon at 4.5B years.
- 2) The earliest unequivocal presence of humans north of the Alps 800K years ago.
- 3) The Adamic uplifting of human genetic stock 37K years ago.

The accepted DNA research that provided positive selection in the human evolutionary lineage thirty-seven thousand years ago matches both current science and revelation dates. In other words, the scientific community did not know and accept the date as it relates to positive introgressive selection until 2005 – fifty years after the publication and seventy after the dates were indicted by the celestial authors to the contact commission. Except for the occurrence of the pre-science revelation disclosed in paper seventy-four, this timeline was not even hypothesized.

The Symbol – Unification of Consciousness and Values (Philosophy)

A symbol can be encompassing of an idea or a set of values.⁷⁴ Well-designed corporate logos often times unify a constellation of ideas, values, and relationships an organization wants to exercise on a continual basis. These symbols can affect both employees, customers, and investors alike if the symbol is truly comprehensive. An effective symbol transcends the serial functioning of the left brain and allows the right brain to provide powerful representations so necessary for understanding value patterns.⁷⁵ David Kantor has written that “a symbol opens up levels of

⁷³ Mullis, Kary. *The Urantia Book*. 28 October 2022. < <https://www.karymullis.com/urantia.html> >

⁷⁴ 47 Famous Logo Examples & Why They Work. <https://logo.com/blog/logo-examples>. Accessed 30 December 2022.

⁷⁵ The fact that humans have two mostly independently functioning brain halves has been known since Michael Gazzaniga produced his seminal paper in 1962 (<https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pmc/articles/PMC221037/>) while studying epileptic patients that have undergone callosotomy for Roger Sperry who won the Nobel Prize in 1981 for Physiology based upon this research. By its nature, this “split brain” narrative captures the intriguing question of how unity of consciousness is related to brain processes. Dominant in this description is the idea that in a split-brain each hemisphere houses an independent conscious agent. This notion, and particularly the concept of an isolated but conscious right hemisphere that is unable to express its feelings, desires or thinking due a lack of language, has captured the imagination of not only psychology, but medicine and a host of other disciplines. See <https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pmc/articles/PMC7305066/> for a summary of the phenomenon. See <https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pmc/articles/PMC4280607/> where Michael Gazzaniga describes the very first incident when this reality became known to science.

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reality that otherwise are closed for us. Music, a painting, or a poem may reveal elements of reality that cannot be approached scientifically or through logical deduction.”⁷⁶

The URANTIA Book revelation of A&E’s sojourn on this planet fits well with the American compound term coined in the 1930’s as a “barn burner.”⁷⁷ It reveals a significant chunk of Uranian history after the spiritual rebellion; it contains within its cosmic images a truth rendering of why we are as we are today. It fills in missing gaps in the ascent from primitive hunter-gatherers to full blown civilization by about 5500 BC. It offers paths that can avoid research cul-de-sacs. I submit; it may create more questions than answers. However, the cosmic scaffolding the revelation builds in the A&E story, along with the unimpeachable clear present-day science, attests the GPS path is truthful.

For starters, at one intellectual level, the story is a symbol. As a basic creation image, it sets the relationship between God and man. To progress toward greater truth, one starts with the creation legend, augments that knowledge with revelation, and then this truth validates with the facts that support it, to then begin the upward climb to greater knowledge and detail about the truth. Along the way, there will be moments of aha! as archeology, paleontology, and even genome sequencing, to mention a few disciplines, gathers ever more supporting facts and information. Each individual will have his/her “truth bells” ringing whenever and wherever their faith decides to poke its head above the din of a current paradigm or pushes the individual to eschew his/her outright fear of breaking with paradigms.⁷⁸ This truth, as it expands cosmically and personally will surely set some free and others *freer*.

Adam’s “Plasm” and Master Patterns (Revelation & Philosophy)

Via **Figure 1’s** truth process path (subconscious to superconscious), I point to two respected and well-regarded philosophers who, while doubtless working *without* the Fifth Epochal Revelation’s cosmic expansions, most assuredly display indications of personal insight that rise above the conventional paradigms of their time. Their writings and theories appear to me to be on a GPS path that flows directly to enlarged descriptions in the URANTIA Book. I also point to a

⁷⁶ Kantor, D. (2003). *Safeguarding the Symbols of Urantian Faith*. The Fellowship Herald, Summer 2003. (<https://urantia-book.org/archive/newsletters/herald/>). Accessed 2 January 2023.

⁷⁷ Where Does the Phrase 'Barn Burner' Come From? <https://www.merriam-webster.com/words-at-play/barn-burner#:~:text=In%20the%20modern%20parlance%20a,excitement%20at%20the%20evening%20session.>

⁷⁸ Kuhn, T. *The Structure of Scientific Revolutions*. The University of Chicago Press. Chicago Illinois, 1962.

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journalist who has taken on what he feels are entrenched paradigms from historians and archeologists/paleontologists that fails to see clues right in plain sight. Many of the ideas and concepts of determined unconstrained thinkers open pathways for others to expand upon. I choose these three to cover wide time frames of thinking as well as connecting with various worldviews. With revelation “filling in the gaps” humanity’s GPS improves one small step for man with one giant leap for mankind.

The first philosopher I highlight, is Ken Wilber. The field of transpersonal psychology acclaims Wilber as the leading theoretician of the more comprehensive domain of integral philosophy. Many thought leaders from both fields consider Wilber’s esteem unequalled in the discipline using his works essentially as basic texts.⁷⁹ In *Up From Eden*,⁸⁰ in his chapter entitled Voyage Into the Superconscious, Wilber reasons that we have a capability of progressive transformations to organized and more structured forms of consciousness. He refers to these more structured forms as the superconscious. But Wilber wasn’t the first to discuss this concept. That salute belongs to William Walker Atkinson.

Atkinson’s 1909 book *Subconscious and Superconscious; Planes of Mind*,⁸¹ may very well be the reason the revelators present the concept of the superconscious as a fact and truth in The URANTIA Book. Atkinson says “The Orientals for centuries have recognized these mentation activities which cannot be considered as resulting from the past race or individual experience along the lines of racial memory or heredity, or of the memory of the individual classified them as belonging to the "superconscious" plane of mentation—a plane above the ordinary plane of consciousness, just as the subconscious is a plane below it, and the "psychic" plane parallel to it.”

With respect to Atkinson’s depiction of the superconscious, he gets very close to the expansion of this truth that the revelation illustrates as an essential “energy system” for contact and communication with spirit. “Human consciousness rests gently upon the electrochemical mechanism below and delicately touches the spirit-morontia energy system above.”⁸² Of these

⁷⁹ Grof, S. (1981) Review of Up From Eden. Journal of Transpersonal Psychology 13(2). https://www.integralworld.net/rev/rev_ufo_grof.html Accessed 19 January 2023.

⁸⁰ Wilber, K. (1981). *Up From Eden*. Quest Books, Wheaton, IL.

⁸¹ Atkinson, W. *Subconscious and Superconscious; Planes of Mind*, Progress, Chicago, 1909.

⁸² URANTIA Book. (111:1.5 (1216.6)).

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spatial locations related to the physical brain, Atkinson presages the URANTIA Book, and in my opinion, is what permits the Solitary Messenger to expand cosmically upon that truth. However, while Atkinson does speak of the divine mind, and in other places a “divine presence” interacting with a person, he does not posit a Thought Adjuster as residing in the superconscious, which according to a Solitary Messenger is not in the material brain,⁸³ but “in the mortal mind of man” which clearly supports Rupert Sheldrake’s hypothesis of the physical brain as predominantly a “tuner.”⁸⁴ Sheldrake’s thesis that the mind and memory is external to the brain matches quite well with the URANTIA Book’s revelation about the adjutant mind-spirits and the cosmic mind.

Wilber’s view of the superconscious describes it as the culmination of a process which encompasses personal development and human evolution in general. There is a lot for a URANTIA revelation student to consider with Wilber’s approach to human growth. In his first book of a two-book series, *The Atman Project A transpersonal View of Human Development*, Wilber outlines a three-domain cycle of consciousness that moves bi-directionally. He doesn’t approach this cycle as I do based upon the revelation of truth, but one can impute truth in all of his philosophy. The sister volume *Up From Eden A transpersonal View of Human Evolution*, goes into much more depth into the psychic transformation of an individual (and a society) from subconsciousness to superconsciousness, culminating in the wholeness of the Atman, or God. There are two crossovers here: 1) fusion with one’s thought adjuster, and 2) the seven psychic circles.

I bring these two very divergent thinkers across nearly a century of time to make the point that as a GPS, the revelation can assist one with coming from the top-down as well as bottom-up to truth. The revelators found Atkinson’s conceptual approach one to sponsor as on the right GPS path, it is now up to contemporary thinkers to take the cosmic scaffolding and progress as far as one’s superconscious capabilities can take him/her. Wilber is standing on the shoulders of giants; it is up to us to ensure we don’t forget the path we are on. One of Wilber’s principles in integral thought is: “Nothing is 100% right or wrong, they merely vary in their degree of incompleteness and dysfunction. No one or nothing is 100% good or evil, they just vary in their degree of

⁸³ Ibid. (110:1.1 (1203.3)).

⁸⁴ Sheldrake, R. *Mind, Memory, and Archetype: Morphic Resonance and the Collective Unconscious*. Psychological Perspectives, Part I. 1997

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ignorance and disconnection. All knowledge is a work in progress. Leaps in evolution usually occur in a manner of “transcending and including,” not by wiping out what came before.”⁸⁵

I conjecture that in another few generations as the URANTIA Book becomes more mainstream it will become acceptable as an anomaly for some and an outright revelation with others. The facts about Uantian human superconscious faculties will expand upon the truthful scaffolding the revelators construct in the Fifth Epochal Revelation. There are six different revelators that have something to say about this fact and truth interspersed throughout the various papers. It is a significant concept that has substantial impact on large portions of the revelation.

I claim that the URANTIA Revelation disclosures of the A&E mission is an example of the *necessity* of epochal revelation, taking the best of human thought, expanding it to cosmic perspectives in an unbroken unified fashion, then challenging the individual to apply his/her superconscious faculties to reflect upon and think through both personal and group impacts.

Estimating typical human life timeframes of generally close to a century, implies that the specific dates Solonia, the seraphic “voice in the Garden,” specified when Urantia’s A&E arrived, there have been nearly 379 serial lifetimes or 1,516 generations transpired since then (considering one can have four generations alive prior to the death of the first-in generation). If transcribed as a family tree depiction, there would be over 1500 levels of ancestors. Tracking one individual back to the initial generation of grandparents would show 2,298,256 individuals at the top of the tree. This is obviously a very long time to wrap one’s mind around, especially since conventional historical archeology technically begins civilized history essentially with the Sumerians at no further back than 5000-5500 BC.⁸⁶

I bring up this math to make the point that there are roughly twenty-two thousand years of essentially unknown history between A&E and the Sumerians – even with the URANTIA Book. The revelation does not provide many details; we know the truth of the A&E mission – however generally – and specifically as a result of the default. Some of what they accomplished in five

⁸⁵ Manson, M. *The Rise and Fall of Ken Wilber*. <https://markmanson.net/ken-wilber> (Undated). Accessed 20 January 2023.

⁸⁶ History.com. *The 6 Earliest Human Civilizations*. (<https://www.history.com/news/first-earliest-human-civilizations>). Accessed 2 January 2023.

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hundred years, will challenge the emerging facts of archeology and paleontology - to mention only two disciplines - for a very long time.

What is known during this period are some of the climatic impacts and the existence of extremely wild and large animals that still roamed the planet. I submit this dearth of detail about the events between the arrival of A&E and the emergence of full-blown civilization is due to the proscriptions of revelation. It may take a protracted amount of time from the inditing of the revelation until excavations and other mechanisms may find the truth of what happened during that span of roughly twenty-two millennia. But what we can conjecture is something that one gleans from the mission along with sparse but specific details provided in the revelation; it may be all we truthfully need to know to arrive at greater truth.

What we do know, is that the A&E URANTIA Book cosmology exemplifies the coordination (congruence) of science and religion through revelation. As narrated in the introduction, my personal story makes claim that: "the meaningful integration of science and religion—the truth of both realities—can best be achieved by revelation" demonstrates the implied science related to the UB narrative of the infusion of “Adam’s plasm” into humanity thirty-seven thousand years ago is extraordinarily prescient for one made in 1934.” There are similar stories of creation in other religions. (Interesting to note that religion is the first of these two domains to consider cosmology). And ironically, the book of Genesis in the Bible has two differently described creation events – two models if you will. (Ch 1 & 2). The revelation sensibly rectifies this too!

The URANTIA Book revelation⁸⁷ amplifies and accentuates the A&E historical story consistent with the overall cosmic description throughout the UB, AND provides a sublime logical consistency for three very distinct worldviews thriving on our planet. The UB coordinates science and religion into a common-sense harmony; the A&E story is one solid example of how it delivers that harmony.

⁸⁷ For the purposes of describing the totality of the consistency in the URANTIA book, I sometimes use the non-sentient term “the URANTIA Book revelation.” Obviously, the book itself is not sentient; the non-human authors are. Using the phrase “the URANTIA Book says ...” is an oxymoron. Where it makes sense to present a particular thought or concept as a consistent and unbroken description, I use “the revelation.” For most of the quoted references, I use the identification of the author (usually a category, sometimes a particular name) to accentuate the fact that an individual sentient personality made the statement.

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The UB A&E story affords: 1) *For UB students*, an authoritative rendition of how thirty seven thousand years ago from 1935 “Adam’s contribution to the biologic status of the races, notwithstanding the partial failure of the undertaking, enormously up stepped the people of Urantia”⁸⁸; 2) *for secular scientists and agnostics* a basis for further predictions, avenues of study, and progressive hypotheses/theories, and 3) *for atheists, materialists, and natural philosophers*, a reflective constellation of facts and insights to render a palpable coordination for science and religion (COSAR).

When historians and archeologists examine extended periods of human history, they observe that eventually evolution and culture are respectively related as cause and effect. Evolution may advance in the absence of culture, but cultural civilization does not flourish without an adequate background of ancestor racial progression.⁸⁹ The findings of the archeological site recently unearthed at Golbekli Tepi attest to this principle.⁹⁰

Halbert Katzen writes: “The Urantia revelation harmonizes perfectly well with the discoveries made at Golbekli Tepi. The URANTIA Book revelation presents an unbroken explanation of the mysteries prior to known history in terms of the Urantian A&E story which various UB authors assert is nonetheless the basis for many of our myths and religious traditions about the origins of humanity.”⁹¹ These accounts preserve the truth of the story even though they vary in factual detail from the Old Testament record.

This takes us to Graham Hancock our third out-of-the-box thinker. Hancock is asking questions that are beginning to highlight a GPS path that points to the truth of A&E in similar fashion as the DNA discovery by Dr. Lahn. Hancock is in search of a lost civilization. He writes in *America Before*: “... over more than quarter of a century of travels and research, has been a quest for a lost civilization of remote prehistory—an advanced civilization utterly destroyed at the end of the Ice Age and somewhat akin to fabled Atlantis.”⁹²

⁸⁸ URANTIA Book. (78:1.1 (868.3)).

⁸⁹ URANTIA Book. (81:5.1 (905.6))

⁹⁰ Katzen, H. *UBtheNEWS: Gobekli Tepe Report*. <https://ubannotated.com/main-menu/animated/topical-studies/gobekli-tepe/> (formerly UBtheNEWS). Accessed 20 January 2023.

⁹¹ (Ibid).

⁹² Hancock, G. (2019). *America Before*. Martin’s Publishing Group, NY, NY.

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A&E's *mostly* unsuccessful mission on this planet played out biologically and culturally in the subsequent generations between ~37,700 BC and ~5000 BC when the Sumerians show up as the “beginning” of convention civilized history.⁹³ According to almost all historians and archeologists, the Sumerians appear to be the first civilization. Yet, “No one knows where the Sumerians came from.”⁹⁴

The revelation once again makes emphatic Illuminating statements as indicted by an Archangel of Nebadon who writes that the Sumerians appeared so suddenly and mysteriously on the stage of action in Mesopotamia because of a very long dispersion two hundred thousand years before A&E. She writes: “Without a trace of origin elsewhere in the world, these ancient tribes suddenly loom upon the horizon of civilization with a full-grown and superior culture, embracing temples, metalwork, agriculture, animals, pottery, weaving, commercial law, civil codes, religious ceremonial, and an old system of writing.”⁹⁵ How peculiar is that? Especially when conventional belief is that humans have been around between 2.0 to 2.5 million years ago.⁹⁶

The Archangel goes further to reveal that the Life Carriers planned a new type of mortal embracing the union of the conjoint offspring of the Planetary Prince's staff with the first-generation offspring of A&E. The plan projected a new order of planetary creatures whom they hoped would become the teacher-rulers of human society. They designed such beings for social sovereignty, not civil sovereignty. An Archangel of Nebadon informs that “this project almost completely miscarried.” The key word is “almost;” this too is prescient.⁹⁷

For those who are not strict materialists, atheists, or pantheists A&E (and other creation legends) link directly to a perspective of God's creating the universe, which includes a cosmic genesis that sees God as a transcendent personality. The only difference between the Deist and Theist is how God acts *after* creation is “finished.”⁹⁸ Panentheism comes closest to the Fifth Epochal

⁹³ World History Encyclopedia. (2019) Sumerians. <https://www.worldhistory.org/Sumerians/> Accessed October 27, 2022

⁹⁴ Ibid

⁹⁵ URANTIA book. ((77:4.7 (860.2)).

⁹⁶ Wilford, John Noble. “When Humans Became Human.” 26 Feb. 2002. Online posting. October 27, 2022, Section F, Page 1 <https://www.nytimes.com/2002/02/26/science/when-humans-became-human.html>

⁹⁷ URANTIA Book. (77:2.2 (856.5)).

⁹⁸ We put quotations around “finished” to draw attention to the fact that none of the conventional models truly accept the idea of creation as “terminated.” It is beyond the scope of this paper to cover all aspects of how deism/theism believe the universe progresses after genesis. By finished, the Deists believe God steps back and lets whatever is going to happen, happen, but whether or not creation is “finished” is a special subject itself.

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Revelation's cosmology and the concept of God's personalness (not his personality), but positions God as a secondary actor to creation itself.⁹⁹

As stated above, the URANTIA revelation clearly discloses that The First Source and Center – God – originates reality by partitioning His Infinity while remaining the inexhaustible Infinitude, yet delegating subsequent creation functions to “celestial agents,” be they absolute or finite. The revelation makes known there arises an almost limitless panoply of personalities between God and humans. A Secondary Lanonandek Son informs us in a paper called *The Planetary Adams* that the order of Adams and Eves “are the last and the indispensable link connecting God with man.” As immortal Material Sons and Daughters, Adam and Eve “[bridge] the almost infinite gulf between the eternal Creator and the lowest finite personalities of time [humans].”¹⁰⁰

The reason for this close human connection to A&E points directly to the father concept. Over many centuries of service to the human population, the inhabitants eventually consider a planetary Adam as the “father of the realm.” To mark this revelatory consistency in the UB, the very last sentence in the very last paper in the revelation says: “When all is said and done, the Father idea is still the highest human concept of God.”¹⁰¹ In fact, the midwayers write that the concept of God as a Father was not original with Jesus, (the Fourth Epochal Revelation) but he exalted and elevated the idea into a sublime experience by achieving a new revelation of God and by proclaiming that every mortal creature is a child of this Father of love, a son of God.

The fifth epochal URANTIA revelation now extends the father concept in consonance with the revealed cosmology. Starting from a biologic father, the ascending father-steps an ascender achieves, culminates in the Universal Father with Jesus as the Creator Son and supreme ruler of his local creations two steps away from the seventh and last milestone – God, the Father-Infinite.

Much, very much, of Jesus' gospel and his day-to-day ad-hoc statements about his (and the apostles') father are made pointedly to allow first century humans to understand and appreciate the loving personality of the Universal Father. Jesus portrayed the personality of the Universal Father as an enlarged and truer concept of God. Jesus validated the father aspect of the

⁹⁹ Bracken, Joseph A. S.J., 2014, “Panentheism in the context of the theology and science dialogue”, Open Theology, 1: 1–11.

¹⁰⁰ URANTIA book. (51:6.5 (587.3)).

¹⁰¹ Ibid. (196:3.35 (2097.3)).

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personality of God through his life. A Divine Counselor acting on authority of the penultimate fathers (The Ancients of Days) reveals "... selflessness is inherent in parental love. God loves not like a father, but as a father. He is the Paradise Father of every universe personality."¹⁰²

- Bob Debold, Fairfax VA, July 2024

¹⁰² Ibid. (92:6.4 (41.2)).