

***“DEATH: THE UNDISCOVERED
COUNTRY”***

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A WHAT IF? A HYPOTHETICAL STUDY***

One day I was in a car wash—the kind you sit in your car, the automatic type that never really gets your car clean...

I was looking down at the dashboard, and the machine started moving around the car, spraying water. As it came by me, I glanced up—and suddenly felt all of the force of the car moving backward!

My body moved backward; I felt the g-force, however slight, move me—yet I had not moved.

I HAD NOT MOVED—I had only thought that I was moving!

The feeling of force, and movement, that resulted was AS REAL as if I had actually moved....

....and raises the existential question: what is real?

Does the Newtonian reaction to the movement of the car describe why I felt the force, caused by the actual movement? No, since I did not move...

I moved because I THOUGHT I should move—and the thought resulted in the force!

It was not “imagined” force, per se—because I actually moved forward in response to a force.

Again—what is real?

Do the forces cause us to move—or do we move because our minds tell us we should?

If a dream can be real enough to kill us, then what is real?

Maybe there is more to the children’s song that ends, “Life is but a dream...”

Moving on into the prelude: The character of Ulysses is based around the Homer tales *The Iliad And The Odyssey*, with contemporary additions in the tales of *Hercules* and of *Jason And The Argonauts*.

In all of these tales, Ulysses (or Odysseus) was involved in travels surrounding the Trojan War, and how he happened into places that brought great adventure. In one depiction, from *Jason*, he is shown landing on an island with the Argonauts that was once populated by the Titans (Greek Gods who were the precursors of the familiar ones). One of them was Talos, who guarded a cave filled with treasure.

Talos had the aspect of a giant statue (in the George Pal/Ray Harryhausen rendition) who stood crouched outside the cave. Seeming motionless, the Argonauts ventured inside, found and plundered the treasure—and activated Talos.

Talos killed many of the men, others of which barely escaped with their lives.

The parallel being drawn here is the cave: the treasure of the ages, with linearities in stories from the Ali Baba and the Forty Thieves tales. Ali Baba finds the cave, intones the magic words “Open, says me!” (variously mispronounced as “Open, sesame!”), and the cave opens to him.

There is a cave of treasures; a cave of riches in knowledge and understanding; a nexus where the confluence of science and theology resides in a node of perfect concert.

This cave was sealed until the time of the end, and was meant for us to enter in and learn the destinies of mankind and the world, and to further understand the Bible and its meanings and mysteries.

Unfortunately, the adversary knows of this cave, and is dead-set on us not entering in.

The two megaforges—science and religion—against their true natures and purposes are anathema to each other in these late days.

It was never meant to be.

Science was meant to provide amplification, description, and measure of the creation which God has wrought with His own hand; theology was meant to show us how to live in this creation, what to accomplish while in it, and how to chart a sure course through our lives with the eventual destination being attendance with Him throughout eternity.

The adversary knows this, and has caused three major things to occur to oppose these things:

- 1) The introduction of religions into the scheme of theology and the simple messages of Christianity
- 2) The introduction of the scientific revolution, which has endeavored to provide answers in creation and human life which preclude belief in the Bible by providing answers for the things found within from “science”
- 3) And the introduction of anathema into the perception of science in the theological pursuit: this means that we now believe that in order to be loyal to the faith, we must reject the things of “science” (because the adversary has posited these two against each other, we now must make a “choice”

Ergo, when we approach the cave containing the synthesis and perfection of all knowledge—containing both science and theology—both camps walk away:

- 1) The scientists leave because of the uneducated state, emotional basis, and illogical acceptance of theology as the basis of the universe
- 2) The theologians leave because of the academic excess, unenlightened state, and illogical denial by science of theology as the basis of the universe

Concordantly, the baby goes out with the bath water, as it were: and the world is subsequently denied the truth that the cave contains.

This must be corrected, while there is still time.

One of the studies of PARRC Research is Theosynthesis, which hopes to rectify science and “religion” to it’s former harmonious state—and many other areas of opposition which occur within the framework of Christianity. The salient truth is all that matters—and it is composed of less than you see of each side (due to the reduction or elimination of error), and synergy when the two sides are recombined without error.

Another is the What If? Hypothetical Essays of Advanced Idea Mechanics.

In What If? We are free to roam the theoretical in search of truth that can provide compelling reasons to believe without someone running up and telling us that these things are not doctrinal, or accepted religious views, or the like. These theories are like unto the theories of science—which provide the necessary induction of an idea which can lead to the proper deduction and empiricism which results in new knowledge for mankind.

The What If? Scenarios certainly give us something new to think about!

The one which we endeavor to work on in this white paper is the subject of death.

Death: the great unknown. The other side. The Undiscovered Country. The Good Night. The Rest.

In all truth, most of mankind acts as though it knows nothing about death—even though Jesus spoke of it, entered into it, returned from it, and promised to come for us to eliminate it’s sting.

What is death, then?

The first part of this paper is the analysis of several areas of research from several topics which we find relative to the discussion and the final rectifications of truth as we see it:

“Death, cessation of all life (metabolic) processes. *Death may involve the organism as a whole (somatic death) or may be confined to cells and tissues within the organism. Somatic death has been traditionally defined as the discontinuance of cardiac activity and RESPIRATION. However, with advances in organ TRANSPLANTATION techniques, the need has arisen for a more precise definition of medical death, since the death of a donor must be established before transfer of an organ can be undertaken. Somatic death is followed by a number of irreversible changes of legal importance, especially in estimating time of death (e.g., rigor mortis, rigidity of the body caused by changes in muscle tissue, occurring 10 min to several hours after death). The criterion used to establish somatic death is still controversial, although a U.S. presidential commission in 1981 recommended that death be defined as “irreversible cessation of all functions of the entire brain, including the brain stem.”*

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“Sleep, *A natural, periodic state of rest for the mind and body, in which the eyes usually close and consciousness is completely or partially lost, so that there is a decrease in bodily movement and*

responsiveness to external stimuli. During sleep the brain in human beings and other mammals undergoes a characteristic cycle of brain-wave activity that includes intervals of dreaming.”

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“Unconscious, Lacking awareness and the capacity for sensory perception; not conscious; temporarily lacking consciousness; occurring in the absence of conscious awareness or thought.”

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“Faint, An abrupt, usually brief loss of consciousness, generally associated with failure of normal blood circulation.”

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“Coma, A state of deep, often prolonged unconsciousness, usually the result of injury, disease, or poison, in which an individual is incapable of sensing or responding to external stimuli and internal needs.”

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‘Ecstasy, The trance, frenzy, or rapture associated with mystic or prophetic exaltation.”

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NOW THAT WE HAVE SOME CONTEMPORARY MEANINGS OF RELATED TERMS, LET’S TAKE A LOOK AT SOME ESOTERIC CONCEPTS THAT MIGHT HAVE APPLICATION TO THE UNDERSTANDING OF THE UNDISCOVERED COUNTRY:

ON THE SUBJECT OF THE GUF, THE POSTULATED HEAVENLY WELL OF SOULS:

“The souls of all generations are said to have been created at the beginning of the world, and kept until the time of their birth in a heavenly repository called "guf...." (p. 20).

(“A Critical Analysis of the Book of Abraham in the Light of Extra-Canonical Jewish Writings”, Rabbi Nissim Wernick, 1968)

“In fact, so realistic was their conception of pre-existence that contemporary Jews described the very chambers (Heb. guf, araboth) in which these souls dwelled, awaiting their turn to descend into bodies...”

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*“Souls are said to **originate** in a realm called the 'guf...’”*

(Avodah Zarah 5a, Nedarim 13b, Yevamot 62a),

ON THE SUBJECT OF THE SOUL ITSELF:

“Soul, the vital, immaterial life principle, generally conceived as existing within human beings and sometimes within all living things, inanimate objects, and the universe as a whole. In more primitive religions (forms of ANIMISM and SPIRITISM), the soul is thought to control both motor and mental processes; death, the cessation of these processes, is thus viewed as caused by the departure of the soul. PANTHEISM denies the individuation of human souls, and MATERIALISM declares the soul nonexistent. A widespread concept in religion is that of immortality, which usually postulates the existence of a soul that lives apart from the body after death. Dualistic concepts posit a God-given soul distinct from, and antagonistic to, an inferior, earth-bound body. For many Western philosophers the term soul is indefinable. Others consider soul synonymous with mind.”

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“The animating and vital principle in humans, credited with the faculties of thought, action, and emotion and often conceived as an immaterial entity; the spiritual nature of humans, regarded as immortal, separable from the body at death, and susceptible to happiness or misery in a future state; the disembodied spirit of a dead human.”

(www.Dictionary.com)

ON THE SUBJECT OF THE HYPOTHESIZED SOUL-BRAIN TRANSDUCTION SYSTEM:

Soul Physics: *Advanced Idea Mechanics sees the human soul as the medium by which God grants consciousness (I think, therefore I am). It is the persona, the personality, the mental motive force. It is, in fact, the most sophisticated computer program ever created. It is a software program that is sentient (thinking), has a computer system from which to operate (the brain) a bi-pedal locomotive housing (the body), and heuristic capabilities. It comes to us from somewhere (AIM says it is the GUF—the Well Of Souls), and after we die, it uploads somewhere—absent from the body, present with Christ....[*

IF in fact the brain is a transducer—an actuator—which causes the unctious of the mind (soul) to be introduced into the physical world (motion, perambulation, flexure, etc.), THEN the soul is a type of software program of heuristic nature. It, referring to the mentality of the brain—according to science—is a perfect recording device, filing and keeping every fact that it is exposed to.

IF, then, the soul is a type of software program for the hardware of the brain, THEN the soul is simply an extremely exotic and sophisticated “neural net” of great power; one which-like a computer program—can be “downloaded” at birth, and “uploaded” at death—carrying the complete persona of what the person is initially, and becomes heuristically.

IF this is the case—then death indeed holds no sway over us: it is simply the cessation of life of the physical vessel—the mobile and living “CPU” that houses the “hard drive,” or brain; this hard drive

contains the “operating system,” or soul—which then contains “software programs” that run in a multitasking environment we call being alive.

FINALLY: THE GOOD NEWS IS THAT DEATH HOLDS NO SWAY; NO STING; AND NO FINALITY—because we can easily see that God prepared us from the beginning to the ending for a purpose which supersedes the importance of an earthly vessel; the neural net we call the soul can be transplanted in the “glorified” body that Christ has promised for us—and live forever!

YOU; your loved ones; your friends—all who accept Christ has a future which is not to be determined by the fear and finality of death—but the instantaneous transition of your soulish neural net back to the “presence of the Lord” where it came from. Death, the undiscovered country, is merely the cessation of the physical life-force, culminating in a short transition of a doorway which is all it is.

A short doorway through which you step, in full possession of your soul and persona, into the life important of the inheritors of creation in Jesus.

Let’s look forward to the discovery of that destiny with hope and joy, and not fear and disdain: this instantaneous transition is so slight that we will have to be told it has happened—and through the love, power, and Grand Design of God Almighty you will go to Him whole—and then be glorified to be with Him forever.

Pretty good, huh? Only God could do this!

Be of good cheer!

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