

John 5:39

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I don't know about you, but I love the bible. I simply cannot start my day unless I read it, and I do mean every day, not just when I have time to or when I'm in the mood to or have nothing better to do. Why? Because the bible is more than a book where you get to read a story, but rather the bible is a book where you get to learn about the author of the stories it contains.

Now when you think of stories you may think of things made up. But not in this book. Every single word from the very first word, which is "In" and the very last word, which is "Amen" and all the words in between speak of millions of lives of those who have walked this earth for the last six thousand years. Ah, but there is more, because it tells of those who will walk the earth in the future, after we are gone. It even has very specific times and dates which no one can refute. It even speaks of things happening before the earth was created as well as after the earth is no more.

It has answers to life's questions. It talks about how to eat properly and what is good and not good to eat. It talks of animals and creatures like Leviathan that actually breathed fire.

† **Job 41:19** *Out of his mouth go burning lights; Sparks of fire shoot out.*

It tells of things that seem impossible but science have proved them to be true, like in the past of how it's a fact that time has lost a couple of hours.

† **Isaiah 38:8** *Behold, I will bring the shadow on the sundial, which has gone down with the sun on the sundial of Ahaz, ten degrees backward." So the sun returned ten degrees on the dial by which it had gone down.*

How a true chariot of fire took a man from earth to heaven.

† **2 Kings 2:11** *Then it happened, as they continued on and talked, that suddenly a chariot of fire appeared with horses of fire, and separated the two of them; and Elijah went up by a whirlwind into heaven.*

Forget the fantasy of Dr. Doolittle but what about the true story of an animal talking to a man, and the man actually talking back to the animal.

† **Numbers 22:28-30** *Then the LORD opened the mouth of the donkey, and she said to Balaam, "What have I done to you, that you have struck me these three times?" And Balaam said to the donkey, "Because you have abused me. I wish there were a sword in my hand, for now I would kill you!" So the donkey said to Balaam, "Am I not your*

donkey on which you have ridden, ever since I became yours, to this day? Was I ever disposed to do this to you?" And he said, "No."

Also, did you notice where this story is in the bible? It's a little past the middle of the book of Numbers, one of those Old testament books that people don't want to read because they think it's boring with just names and numbers. But that's the bible, it's loaded with hidden gems throughout the entire book.

† **Matthew 13:44 (NLT)** *The Kingdom of Heaven is like a treasure that a man discovered hidden in a field. In his excitement, he hid it again and sold everything he owned to get enough money to buy the field.*

And the most important gem that is not hidden, but is throughout every page from Genesis to Revelation is the wonderful gem we all know as Jesus.

So you want to know more about Jesus and God? Good, then follow Jesus' instructions.

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