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Recently, a person sent me a private message regarding some information they had obtained regarding the alleged "Tenth Planet", which some people refer to as "Planet X", and which is also known in some circles by its Sumerian name "Nibiru"; that is, the "Planet of the Crossing". This person suggested that Nibiru might fulfill the role of the prophetic deathstar "Wormwood", which I discuss in my article "Comet Hale-Bopp, Chernobyl and the DeathStar Wormwood", and which finds its origin in the eight chapter of the Book of Revelation, as we see here:

"And the third angel sounded, and there fell a great star from heaven, burning as it were a lamp, and it fell upon the third part of the rivers, and upon the fountains of waters; And the name of the star is called Wormwood: and the third part of the waters became wormwood; and many men died of the waters, because they were made bitter."

Revelation 8:10-11, KJV

I first became aware of the Planet X / Nibiru controversy in the mid to late 1990's. Being a skeptic of anything that is not firmly founded upon, proven by, or at least in agreement with the Word of God, or perhaps is even in contradiction to it, I do have my share of reservations regarding this whole scenario surrounding writer Zecharia Sitchin, (author of the 1976 book "The Twelfth Planet" and other books), Nibiru, the proper interpretation of the Sumerian writings, etc.

For those of you who may not be familiar with this subject, the people who embrace Sitchin's writings believe that the Sumerians, (the ancient inhabitants of Mesopotamia, or what is now known as Iraq, the "land between two rivers"), wrote about Nibiru, and its passages through our Solar System, in a collection of clay tablets which were discovered by modern archeologists. Due to Nibiru's elongated orbital path, its passage through our neighborhood is said to occur once every 3,600 years. It is also claimed that each time that Nibiru passes within the vicinity of our planet, (actually meaning millions of miles), it is responsible for great calamities

which befall the Earth; that is, earthquakes, tectonic plate shifts, climate changes, sea level changes, widespread death, etc.

In fact, according to Mr. Sitchin's interpretation of the Sumerian/Akkadian tablets known as the "Enuma Elish", also referred to as the "Babylonian Epic of Creation", during an earlier incursion into our Solar System approximately four billion years ago, (if you accept that date), Planet X, or Nibiru, collided with another planet, which the Sumerians referred to as "Tiamat". Sitchin believes that this gigantic collision resulted in the formation of the Asteroid Belt. Undoubtedly, some catastrophe of tremendous proportions is responsible for the formation of the Asteroid Belt, but none of us know with any certainty what that event may have been. Some people are convinced that this colossal crash resulted in the Earth and the Moon being heavily scarred by debris from this collision. Interestingly enough, in a commentary entitled "Neptune Attacks!", which appeared in the April 7, 2001 edition of the magazine "New Scientist", author Ivan Semeniak wrote:

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There is new evidence that a sudden barrage of deadly debris crashed against the Earth and the Moon 3.9 billion years ago . . . What triggered this onslaught? Something in the structure of the Solar System must have changed.

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Zecharia Sitchin seems to hold a slightly different view. In a June 2002 interview with yowusa.com reporter Steve Russell, Sitchin states that he believes that the Earth and the Moon were actually created as a result of this space collision:

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A long text known as Enuma Elish describes how Nibiru arrived at an early Solar System and collided with an olden planet, causing its crash to form the Earth and the Moon.

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Zecharia Sitchin also promotes the belief that we modern-day humans are the results of genetic engineering conducted by a giant race of ancient alien astronauts from Nibiru, known as the Anunnaki, which Sitchin interprets as meaning "those who from heaven to Earth came". Sitchin seems to believe that the Anunnaki are the same as the Biblical Nephilim or Elohim. As I point out in my articles, such as "Nephilim: The Giants Of Genesis", "Elohim" is a Hebrew word used in Genesis, as well as elsewhere in the Bible, to denote God; whereas the Hebrew "Nephilim" refers to the Fallen Angels, or "Fallen Ones", who rebelled against God in Genesis chapter six, came down to the Earth, and had intercourse with human women, resulting in the birth of half-human offspring who were giant in stature.

More specifically, Zecharia Sitchin states that an Anunnaki scientist by the name of Enki, meaning "Lord Earth", created humankind as a slave race to serve the Anunnaki, by splicing

Anunnaki genes with earthly hominid genes, as we see by this quote taken from that same interview:

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. . . some 300,000 years ago engaged in genetic engineering to bring about Homo-sapiens by mixing their genes with those of the evolved hominids . . . The leader of the first expedition to Earth, a great scientist who led the genetic engineering achievement, was called EN.KI ("Lord Earth").

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Thus, while serious men of science view the accounts of the Anunnaki as Sumerian myths, Sitchin accepts them, and other Sumerian accounts, as factual and truthful real events from the ancient past. This is one of the reasons why the academic community is so hesitant to embrace Sitchin's work.

While I will be commenting on Sitchin's beliefs later on in this series, I would like to briefly offer my view regarding the so-called Epic of Creation. Considering the magnitude of the evidence, which seems to point to the extremely violent creation of the Asteroid Belt, it is difficult for me to grasp how Nibiru could crash into Tiamat, resulting in the decimation of the same, and the formation of the Asteroid Belt, and then go merrily on its way, unscathed by such an explosive event, to return every 3,600 years. At the very least, wouldn't Nibiru have been knocked off course by such a powerful impact?

Of course, this scenario is based upon the assumption that the Asteroid Belt was indeed created in this fashion. Maybe it is really just the debris of molten rock that was left after the Solar System formed. Perhaps there really was no interplanetary collision between Nibiru and Tiamat, or any other planetary bodies in our Solar System for that matter.

An interesting challenge would be to try to calculate the size of Tiamat, or whatever planet may have existed at that time, based upon the total combined volume and mass of all of the matter that is now incorporated in the Asteroid Belt. Of course, since the Earth and the Moon are also claimed to have resulted from this impact so long ago, their volume and mass would have to be included as well. Would the resulting theoretical planet be smaller than Nibiru; or larger than Nibiru; or about the same size? What, if any, effects would this have had on the outcome of the alleged impact? If it turns out that this theoretical planet would have been much larger than Nibiru, then obviously, it would be even more difficult to prove how Nibiru could have survived such a collision, while the larger planet was totally destroyed.

But what is important for our current discussion is the fact that Zecharia Sitchin, the person who wrote to me and others like them, believe that Planet X is near to making another pass through our Solar System; and they are convinced that the effects of this coming passage have already begun to be felt in a variety of ways; such as through perturbations in the Outer Planets, an increased level of solar activity, a rise in tectonic plate movement, abnormal weather patterns,

the melting of glaciers and polar ice shelves, etc. They are convinced that these negative developments will continue to augment as Nibiru approaches our planet; and that they will also be accompanied by tidal waves, intense tropical storms, and meteor showers, or worse, as the space debris captured by Nibiru's gravitational field is cast down to the Earth.

Not only that, but Nibiru adherents are convinced that the American Government, and other governments, have been fully aware of the existence of this invader from the far reaches of Space for quite some time; and these governments know of the potential dangers that such an incursion presents to our planet. In addition to the previous Earth changes, followers of Sitchin's writings also predict a sudden polar shift that will result in the death of the vast majority of the Earth's population. In short, if any of these claims are true, many will perish as a direct result of the effects of Nibiru's passage, or as a result of the dire conditions which will exist on the Earth after Planet X has passed through our neighborhood of Space.

In offering proof of the U.S. Government's knowledge of the existence of Nibiru, they point to a number of news reports and scientific journal reports which have been published during the past three decades. For example, in the April 7, 2001 edition of "Science News", in an article entitled "A Comet's Odd Orbit Hints At Hidden Planet", the author opens the astonishing piece with the line "Far beyond the solar system's nine known planets, a body as massive as Mars may once have been part of our planetary system -- and it might still be there".

The article in question deals with astronomers' study of the comet designated "2000 CR/105". This comet had caught their attention due to its very elliptical orbit; an orbit that is so long, that according to the April 5, 2001 edition of "Sky & Telescope News", it results in the comet only visiting the edge of our Solar System about every 3,300 years. In the report published in "Science News", they noted that "Such an oblong orbit is usually a sign that an object has come under the gravitational influence of a massive body". In "Icarus", another journal, this same team of astronomers concluded that "the comet's orbit could be the handiwork of an as-yet unseen planet that would have to lie some 200 AU from the Sun". An AU, or Astronomical Unit, is the distance from the Sun to the Earth, or about 93,000,000 miles. Thus, we are talking about 93 million times 200.

The highly-regarded journal "Science" likewise followed the story. In a piece entitled "Comet's Course Hints at Mystery Planet", the April 6, 2001 edition of "Science" stated in part:

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A Supercomet following an unexpectedly far-flung path around the sun suggests that an unidentified planet once lurked in the outermost reaches of the solar system, an international team of astronomers reports. What's more, the mysterious object may still be there. Going back even further in time, according to one web site that I visited which goes by the name of "Details Here", on December 30, 1983, the chief scientist of NASA's Infra-Red Astronomical Satellite telescope, or IRAS, announced to six American newspapers that they had detected a tenth planet. The web page in question provided rather scant details. For example, there were no publication names; there weren't any direct quotes from the article, and much less from the lead scientist himself who remained unidentified; and there were no external links so that I could even attempt to verify the information.

Well, I tend to be a rather persevering kind of fellow; so, curious about this news release, I continued to dig around on the same site while I worked on this series; until a few days later, I finally found the following quote, attributed to one Gerry Neugebauer. The web site states that this quote is taken from the Washington Post:

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A heavenly body possibly as large as the giant planet Jupiter and possibly so close to Earth that it would be part of this solar system has been found in the direction of the constellation Orion by an orbiting telescope . . . "All I can tell you is that we don't know what it is", said Gerry Neugebauer, chief IRAS scientist.

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The creator of this site obviously wanted to make sure that anyone who visits this page will make a direct connection to Nibiru. So, directly above this quote, there's an image with the title "The Meaning Of 12th Planet", which plainly shows a large reddish-colored Nibiru right after the planet Pluto. For those of you who aren't familiar with Zecharia Sitchin's 1976 book, "The Twelfth Planet", a brief explanation would probably be helpful. According to Mr. Sitchin, the ancient Sumerians counted the Sun and the Moon as member numbers one and five of our Solar System respectively. Thus, after we've taken the remaining planets into consideration, that leaves Nibiru designated as planet number twelve.

Now, here is where the deception enters the equation. On the first web page that I mentioned, as well as on the page where the image is found, the site's author clearly states that the NASA team has announced that they have discovered Planet X. For example, here is one of the web site author's statements regarding the discovery, as well as the cover-up which they allege took place immediately afterwards:

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NASA discovered and excitedly disclosed having found Planet X. It was December 30th, 1983 that announcement was made by the chief scientist of the IRAS satellite to 6 dailies. I've got all the headlines in my book. Shortly thereafter, the media controllers got wind of the disclosure and clamped down by having them retract the statements.

Now, allow me to give you a quick test in the form of a true or false question. A minute ago, you read a quote attributed to NASA chief IRAS scientist Gerry Neugebauer. In that quote, Neugebauer states that they had discovered Planet X; true or false? If you answered "true", you are mistaken. In fact, not only did Neugebauer not use the word "planet" in that quote, but he specifically stated that they "don't know what it is".

Of course, being such a short quote, it's quite possible that we may be missing an important part of the story. Therefore, I decided to surf the web in the hope of finding a full copy of the Washington Post news article. Not only did I find it, but upon visiting a few professional astronomy sites, I also obtained some background information, as well as information regarding what developments occurred after the news article had been published.

Very briefly, in 1983, while using the IRAS telescope, Gerry Neugebauer and his team, which also included Dr. James Houck of Cornell University's Center for Radio Physics and Space Research, discovered several bright point sources which did not correspond to anything seen on optical images that were taken of the same areas. Remember; the IRAS is not a typical optical telescope, such as a refractor or a reflector, that most amateur astronomers use. It takes what are called far infra-red images of celestial phenomenon.

At any rate, astronomers perform what are known as "optical associations", whereby they compare the optical observations with the IRAS observations. Among other things, this assists them in detecting motion in the point sources. As a result, they were able to determine that most of the sources had not moved, and were therefore extra-solar bodies; that is, they are not a part of our Solar System. This is a very important point; because part of the Nibiru mythos, is that not only is Planet X a part of our Solar System, but it's approaching the Earth. In the Washington Post article, Neugebauer made it very clear that whatever it was that they had observed, "It's not incoming mail. I want to douse that idea with as much cold water as I can."

The IRAS Science Team published a report regarding nine of the sources that they had imaged with the IRAS, in the March 1, 1984 edition of Astrophysical Journal Letters. Entitled "Unidentified Point Sources in the IRAS Minisurvey", in the paper, they speculated that the sources might possibly be a distant galaxy that was emitting considerably more infrared radiation relative to optical radiation than was usual. The scientists also considered that the point sources might be a cool object located in the outer Solar System, or perhaps a brown dwarf star located just outside of our Solar System. It was also possible that the sources were something totally different.

In short, as Gerry Neugebauer pointed out in the Washington Post article, they were uncertain regarding what the sources were; at least at that time. Sadly, as we all know, the mass media profits from sensationalism; and when they got word of

the technical paper at a Washington, D.C. press conference, they ran with it. In addition to the previous quote that I shared with you, the Washington Post also reported:

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So mysterious is the object that astronomers do not know if it is a planet, a giant comet, a 'protostar' that never got hot enough to become a star, a distant galaxy so young that it is still in the process of forming its first stars, or a galaxy so shrouded in dust that none of the light cast by its stars ever gets through.

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It is right after the previous sentence that they quote Gerry Neugebauer stating that the IRAS Science Team wasn't certain what the point sources were. The mass media is rather clever when it comes to mixing sensationalism with the truth; as the article in question clearly shows. While they do inform their readers that the scientists don't know what they have imaged, they also fill the article with all kinds of sensationalistic sentences from beginning to end. The result is that the truth becomes even more distorted after a story has circulated for a while.

Well, in the case of the 1983 incident, the truth finally was revealed; but the mass media was not interested in publishing it, because it had no sensationalistic flair to it. According to the IPAC web site, which is NASA's Infrared Processing and Analysis Center located at Cal Tech, after taking some deeper images of the point sources, it was determined that most of the nine objects were in fact a new type of distant galaxies called Ultra-Luminous Infrared Galaxies, or ULIRG's. ULIRG's are galaxies in which there is a burst of stars being born. The IPAC web site states that the cocoons of dust in which these young stars are enshrouded generate copious amounts of infra-red radiation, which is what was detected by the IRAS telescope.

The remaining point sources were determined to be dense gas clouds, or wisps of Galactic infra-red cirrus, in our Milky Way Galaxy. In the years that followed, these findings were reported in Nature, Astronomical Journal, and Astrophysical Journal Letters; but as I said, the mass media ignored it. These New Age Nibiru web sites apparently ignored this new information as well; preferring instead to simply say that the U.S. Government, or NASA, or somebody, purposely buried the truth regarding Nibiru's discovery and coming arrival. In other words, the pro-Nibiru sites only provide partial information that seemingly supports their Planet X claims.

Another interesting point I discovered on the IPAC web site, is that "Nearly everyone on the IRAS Science Team who looked at the early IRAS data found at least one source that they initially thought could be 'the tenth planet'." It may be for this reason, that in that same Washington Post news article, while Dr. James Houck didn't directly say that the IRAS team had found Planet X, he did make some comments which left the reader with the impression that he was hoping that they had. To build upon this idea, the Washington Post article used the

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The most fascinating explanation of this mystery body, which is so cold it casts no light and has never been seen by optical telescopes on Earth or in space, is that it is a giant gaseous planet, as large as Jupiter and as close to Earth as 50 billion miles.

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In the remainder of the article, they quoted Dr. Houck a few more times in order to support their earlier sentence. Please notice that Houck never says that they have definitely found a tenth planet. He never fully commits himself to that in any of his words:

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If it is really that close, it would be a part of our Solar System . . . If it is that close, I don't know how the world's planetary scientists would even begin to classify it . . . This suggests it's not a comet, because a comet would not be as large as the one we've observed, and a comet would probably have moved . . . A planet may have moved if it were as close as 50 billion miles, but it could still be a more distant planet, and not have moved in six months time.

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As you can see, neither Neugebauer or Houck ever clearly said "Yes, we've definitely found Planet X, the tenth planet". In announcing the discovery, they were professional and cautious. As I mentioned before, the article concluded with a statement from Gerry Neugebauer, the IRAS team leader, who clearly said that the unknown object was not moving towards the Earth. As such, it could not be the fabled Nibiru, or Planet X. Despite these facts, the pro-Nibiru sites took this information and twisted it, so that it appeared as if the IRAS discovery was proof of Nibiru's existence. The IRAS team discovered ULIRG's and gas clouds, and not a tenth planet called Nibiru.

The idea of discovering a tenth planet in our Solar System is nothing new. There have been a number of individuals over the decades who have sought to find it, or who have thought that they may have found it, or perhaps had observed it effects on other celestial objects, such as comets, and planets in our own Solar System.

The Planet X hypothesis originated with astronomer Percival Lowell during the early 20th century. Lowell believed that a large gas giant located on the fringes of our Solar System was responsible for what he assumed to be perturbations in the orbits of the planets Neptune and Uranus. While modern scientific measurements have proven this to be wrong, at the time, Lowell designated this undiscovered body as Planet X. The "X" was meant to symbolize the word "unknown", and not the Roman numeral ten. Due in large part to Lowell's work, in 1930, fourteen years after Lowell's death, Clyde Tombaugh discovered the tiny planet Pluto, now referred to as a Dwarf

In more recent years, the mass media has sometimes resorted to erroneously using the phrase "tenth planet" when certain astronomical events have been announced. Such was the case when two Trans-Neptunian Objects were discovered; Quaoar in 2002, and Sedna in 2004. Even more recently, in 2005, both the mass media and NASA briefly referred to the Scattered Disk Object, Eris, as the tenth planet. We will be talking more about Eris later on in this series. However, what I am trying to emphasize here, is that when astronomers discuss a hypothetical tenth planet, and New Agers talk about Planet X, it doesn't necessarily mean that they are talking about the same thing; and that is where part of the deception lies.

While Percival Lowell coined the phrase "Planet X" to denote a theoretical planet which he believed may have existed just beyond the orbit of Neptune and Uranus, when astronomers use the phrase "the tenth planet" today, they actually mean any planet which may potentially be discovered within our Solar System. This new discovery would naturally have acquired the status of tenth planet, since Pluto was the 9th planet until its demotion in August of 2006. Again, we will be discussing Pluto's fall from grace later on in this series.

However, when these New Age web sites talk about Planet X, or the tenth planet, they are usually talking about Nibiru. They are talking about a mythological planet described in ancient Sumerian clay tablets, which, according to Zecharia Sitchin's followers, is inhabited by a giant race of lizard-like space-faring aliens; that is, the Anunnaki, who allegedly came to the Earth, and started the modern human race through genetic engineering some 300,000 years ago. And lest I forget, it is also claimed that these war-prone aliens employed the use of nuclear weapons, which resulted in the destruction of their space port located in the Sinai Peninsula. Is it any wonder then that the astronomy community wishes to disassociate themselves from such Planet X nonsense?

As we have already seen, in their attempts to convince non-believers that Nibiru is real, some Planet X supporters will resort to different means of persuasion. They will purposely cloud the issue, and use the power of suggestion, by mixing real scientific data, news stories, images, etc. with a lot of their New Age psycho-babble, so that people will see what they want them to see. Sadly, they also attempt to use God's Word to add Scriptural authority to their wayward positions. I saw these subtle techniques used on a number of the Nibiru web sites that I visited while conducting research for this series. They are trying to attach scientific and Scriptural validity to Sitchin's highly questionable interpretations of the Sumerian clay tablets. They are trying to make it appear as if "Planet X", "Nibiru" and "Tenth Planet" are synonymous terms, when they most definitely are not. Can you see that?

One thing that bothered me as I looked into this issue, is the number of dead links that I encountered. Hoping to find proof of what these people are saying, it was disappointing to be repeatedly faced with a 404 error; that is, a missing document error. It seems to me that if Nibiru promoters are that serious about proving their point, they would do their

best to provide us with real, concrete evidence, which does not leave any room for doubt; and they would make sure that any links they provide are still valid. A case in point is another experience I had on the "Details Here" web site. In presenting their evidence for the existence of Nibiru, they mentioned a press release which supposedly was posted on the popular Discovery Channel web site in July, 2001. This news article related the discovery of a large Kuiper Belt Object, or KBO, called 2001 KX76, orbiting in the region near Pluto.

As I explain in a few of my other space-related and alien/UFO articles, the Kuiper Belt is located in a distant region of Space which extends about thirty to fifty Astronomical Units from the Sun. It begins roughly at the orbit of Neptune. The Kuiper Belt is populated by hundreds of frozen objects, maybe more. A few of these objects are the size of the planet Pluto while many others are considerably smaller. A few are larger than Pluto as well. New objects are being discovered in the Kuiper Belt all the time, so no one knows what the future may hold. Short-period comets, that is, those with orbital cycles of two hundred years or less, such as Comet Halley, are also believed to originate in the Kuiper Belt as well.

Some of you who are involved in the field of astronomy are undoubtedly aware of the controversy which has surrounded Pluto, Kuiper Belt Objects and Dwarf Planets. Some planetary scientists argue that Pluto should remain classified as the ninth planet, while others sustain that it is in reality just a large Kuiper Belt Object. This controversy arose in part as a result of the evolving discovery in the early 1990's, that Pluto's orbit lays within the boundaries of the Kuiper Belt. As more Kuiper Belt Objects were discovered, it cast doubt on Pluto's status as a true planet.

About a century earlier, the asteroid Ceres faced a similar challenge. At the time of its discovery, it was heralded as a new planet; but as time passed, more objects were found which had orbits similar to that of Ceres. Eventually, these were all demoted to the status of asteroids. An interesting side note to this story, is that for a short time following the discovery of the first four asteroids, and before they were demoted to the status of asteroid, the planet Saturn was considered to be the tenth planet.

The 2005 discovery of Eris; plus the realization that other large objects might soon be discovered which would further challenge Pluto's status as the ninth planet, only served to hasten Pluto's demotion. Eris is a little larger than Pluto, and is actually referred to as an SDO; that is, a Scattered Disk Object, and not as a KBO. It orbits our Sun in an even more remote area of Space referred to as the Scattered Disc, which lies just beyond the Kuiper Belt. Astronomers believe that objects found in the Scattered Disk were scattered out from the Kuiper Belt, due to their gravitational interaction with the planet Neptune. Thus we have Kuiper Belt Objects, which are viewed as a subset of Trans-Neptunian Objects, and we have Scattered Disk Objects, which are also a category of Trans-Neptunian Objects, or TNO's.

We will continue our discussion concerning Nibiru, Planet X, Zecharia Sitchin, Wormwood, etc., in part two of this series.

I trust that you will join me.

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Eris, Pluto Is Demoted, KBO 2001 KX76 (Ixion) Is Not Nibiru, Questionable Images And Atmospheric Distortions, Premature Conclusions, Seeing What We Want To See, False Predictions, Nibiru's May 15, 2003 No-Show, False Christian Appearances, Nancy Lieder And Her ZetaTalk Delusions, Zeta Reticuli And The Grays, The "White Lie", Length Of The Great Tribulation, Endtime False Prophets, Prophesying Is A Very Serious Matter Deceived By Choice, Nature Of Holy Spirit, Strong Foundation In God's Word To Avoid Deception, A Scriptural Jigsaw Puzzle

To continue our discussion, when Eris' discoverers and NASA decided to label Eris as the tenth planet in a July 29, 2005 JPL news release, (which I have actually read and have), the International Astronomical Union set the gears in motion to establish a more accurate definition for the word "planet", which was adopted after much debate in August of 2006. This new definition states that in order for a celestial body to be classified as a planet, it must orbit our Sun; it must be large enough for its own gravity to make it round; it must be the dominant body in its area of Space, and it must clear its own neighborhood of smaller objects.

As a result of this new definition of a planet, Pluto failed the test; primarily because it inhabits the Kuiper Belt along with hundreds of other objects; some of which are as big as, or even bigger than, Pluto itself. In other words, Pluto is not the dominant body in its region of Space. Thus, Pluto was demoted to the status of a Dwarf Planet; while the asteroid Ceres was elevated to the status of a Dwarf Planet; and Eris became established as the largest known Dwarf Planet in our Solar System, and the ninth largest body that is currently known to orbit our Sun. There is still controversy regarding these decisions, and things may change in years ahead; but for the time being, the consensus is that there will only be eight planets in our Solar System for a long time to come.

Let us return now to my earlier comments regarding the KBO referred to as 2001 KX76. As I noted, it certainly doesn't help the cause of these Nibiru supporters when they provide external links on their sites, in order to provide evidence of their claims, and then those links result in 404 errors. Such was the case with their 2001 KX76 links. One took me to the Discovery Channel web site, but there was no document to be found at that link. So I reasoned that perhaps the page in question had simply been moved to a new location on the Discovery Channel site. However, entering "2001 KX76" in the search engine there gave me zero results. So I tried several variations on that term, as well as "KBO" and "Kuiper Belt Object". It wasn't until I tried the latter phrase that I finally got thirteen results, all discussing the controversy surrounding Pluto and Eris.

Next, I decided to conduct a general Google search, and was

rewarded with tons of information regarding 2001 KX76. As it turns out, 2001 KX76 is one of many asteroids located in the Kuiper Belt. According to the Astronomy Picture of the Day web site, it is larger than Ceres, and slightly larger than Pluto's moon Charon. It's also larger than Veruna and Sedna, but not nearly as large as the recently-discovered Eris. It is also interesting to note that the discovery of 2001 KX76 in May of 2001, while conducting the Deep Ecliptic Survey, further challenged Pluto's status as a true major planet.

While I have been using variations of the word "large", this is strictly a comparative term. Compared to any planet in our Solar System, including the Earth, 2001 KX76 is in fact very tiny. For this reason, it most definitely is not Nibiru or Planet X, which these New Agers believe is four or five times the size of the Earth. In fact, 2001 KX76 is not even a planet according to the IAU's new definition of the word. It is just a dead, frozen asteroid which could not possibly support any form of intelligent life, as we know it. There are a lot of sites which offer valid scientific information regarding KBO 2001 KX76, which is now known as Ixion. If you are interested in a quick synopsis, please go to the APOD page at the following URL:

http://apod.nasa.gov/apod/ap010830.html

Allow me to offer a few more comments regarding the "Details Here" website where I first learned about Ixion, or KBO 2001 KX76. One of the primary reasons why that site's author, and other Planet X supporters, apparently took so much interest in KBO 2001 KX76, is because of its reddish color. Earlier I stated that Nibiru promoters believe that red is in fact the color of their fabled planet. Not only that, but some Nibiru sites, including the "Details Here" web site, provide a few links to images of 2001 KX76, or Ixion, claiming that it is Nibiru. Please note that these people aren't just hinting at the idea of Nibiru being the KBO known as 2001 KX76; they are saying rather clearly that KX76's reddish color proves that it is Nibiru. For example, on one page, I found these phrases describing Nibiru as both a KBO, and red in color:

- * "Nibiru is a Planet X-class Kuiper Belt Object (XKBO)"
- * "It is felt that an XKBO know as Nibiru (and also known as "Marduk")"
- $\mbox{\ensuremath{\star}}$ "Sometimes referred to as the red comet or red star in some ancient texts"
- * "Something large and red has been discovered orbiting in Pluto's neighborhood."
- * "The discovery of a large reddish chunk of something orbiting in Pluto's neighborhood has re-ignited the idea that there may be more than nine planets in the solar system."

Please note that those last two quotes are included in the section of the web page where I found the dead link to the Discovery Channel site; and that section begins by asking a question: "Has it been reported in the news?". The word "it"

is referring to Nibiru. In other words, there's no doubt in my mind that they are saying that 2001 KX76 is Nibiru. This is because they then proceed to answer their own question by providing the info about 2001 KX76. Do you see my point? It is right below this section where they begin to offer their "evidence" from the Washington Post article, and attempt to reinforce that information by providing their image of our Solar System with the Twelfth Planet included in it, which is depicted as a red-tinted orb.

Regarding the broken link that I encountered on the Discovery Channel site, my impression was that it may have been removed simply because it was old news. Since that time six years ago many more KBO's have been discovered; Eris being the latest; so it would make perfect sense that now that the discovery of KBO's is so common, a story six years old is no longer newsworthy, and is just taking up unnecessary space on their web site. In fact, the only information the Discovery Channel did have regarding Kuiper Belt Objects was dated from 2006, which seems to prove my point: They only want the latest news.

However, what I found interesting on the "Details Here" site, was that some of the 2001 KX76 image links that lead to other Nibiru sites were also dead. If they are intent on convincing people that 2001 KX76 is Nibiru, why would they remove these images from their sites? I will consider that perhaps they encountered problems with copyright issues, or perhaps that they have redesigned their sites over the years, but I can't help but wonder if maybe the photographs were removed after Nibiru's failed appearance in May of 2003, in order to avoid further embarrassment of having been proven wrong. I guess we will never know.

To further lend support to the belief that a tenth planet known as Nibiru really exists, and that it's coming our way, the person who wrote to me directed me to some online images which allegedly show Nibiru low on the horizon, as the Sun is setting. In the images, the "planet", (or brilliant blob that is alleged to be the planet), is in close proximity to the Sun, and appears quite large, in comparison to how we normally see planets in the night sky. If you are viewing this article on the graphical version of our web site, then you can see the four images in question directly below this paragraph. They were taken in October of 2006.

My first impression is that what we see in these images is nothing more than a distortion of the Sun on the horizon, since we are looking horizontally through the atmosphere, and thus through the atmospheric pollution. These kinds of distortions are very common. During those final minutes and seconds when the Sun is rising above, or setting below, the horizon, all kinds of strange light effects can occur. I am sure that many of you are familiar with them. What I would also like to call to your attention is how synchronized the bright blob is with the Sun. This occurs in all four images, and offers the strong suggestion that the bright blob is in fact just a projection of the Sun itself through the hazy atmosphere. Carefully study the four images, and you will see what I mean. The speed and setting of the second object is clearly synchronized with the movement of the Sun.

These are not the only images that I studied. The web site I visited had links to other web sites with alleged images of the mysterious Nibiru. I looked at dozens of them, taken in various parts of the world; and to be honest, none of them offered solid, convincing proof of Nibiru's existence. Some contained indistinguishable and questionable blurs. Others had distortions similar to those found in the images above. Some even had lens flares, which the authors were convinced was Nibiru. Others were marked with circles and such, which were meant to help the viewer see what the photographer saw in the photos. Some images were just of very poor quality. I also found it interesting that most of the images were taken in 2003 or 2004. This left me with the impression that after Nibiru was a no-show in May of 2003, some people came to the realization that the game was up, and they lost interest in it. I'll be discussing this last point in more detail in just a moment.

From looking at all of these photos, my conclusion is simply this: We should not be too hasty to jump to conclusions. In my view, it is dangerous to emphatically and matter-of-factly conclude that the above photographs, or any images for that matter, are without a doubt Nibiru, unless we have stronger, more-convincing evidence to support our claim. In our desire and eagerness to believe in something, we simply should not be hasty to make pronouncements which may later prove to be false. I honestly feel that this is what some of these people have done. They are so convinced of Nibiru's existence, that they have seen what they want to see in the images. A lot of people do the exact same thing with UFO's, and it isn't wise.

While exploring the site which had been recommended to me by the person who had written to me, I came across a few other comments which cast further doubt on the reliability of the information which was being presented. For example, consider the following direct quote from the site:

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. . . the polar icecaps will melt during these next 2 years causing the new sea level to be around 700 feet above what it is now, and most of the old Soviet Union, including much of Russia, will be under water."

---- End Quote ----

One problem I have with some web sites, is that they don't date their articles and commentaries. As a result, we really have absolutely no idea when the information was first made available. Judging by other information that I found on this particular site, it is evident that some of it was written from 2002 to 2005, or possibly earlier. If this is the case with the above comment, then it is obviously a misleading, and false, statement, and it reflects poorly on its author. Even if the above comment is current, (2007), while I have come to embrace the idea that Global Warming may be a real phenomenon, I am by no means convinced that the polar ice caps will totally melt during the next two years, resulting in a seven hundred foot rise in global sea levels, or that Russia will totally disappear beneath the waves. The person who made this prediction is very bold, but also seriously

misquided.

In my cursory review of this same site, I discovered another glaring error. On one page, dated June of 2002, they claim that Nibiru was to make its closest approach to the Earth on or about May 15, 2003, resulting in dire consequences for our planet. As I have stated several times now, this event never happened. On another page of the same site, there appears a comment, dated June of 2003, by a certain Pastor F.M. Riley, in which he casts the blame for the failed Nibiru prediction on NASA itself. Pastor Riley states in part:

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The date of May 15-16 is now known to have been "disinformation" put out by NASA and other government agencies in an attempt to make the whole subject appear ridiculous to the public.

---- End Quote ----

It seems that when these people are right about something, they will gladly take the credit for it; but when they are obviously wrong, they will find someone else to blame for their failures. I have seen this time and time again on such sites; and yet their blind followers just keep on following them, and believing in them, no matter what. So my point is, if that site has a history of making outlandish predictions as the previous two comments, why should I even put my trust in anything else they may say? Sadly, this web site presents itself as a Christian site; and it even offers a message of Salvation; yet sadly, it has become mixed up in some of this New Age psycho-babble, to its own discredit.

I should mention here that just because a web site offers information which suggests that it views the Holy Bible as a reliable source of knowledge, does not necessarily mean that the site's author is a Bible-believing Christian. As I have pointed out before, many New Agers mix Scriptures with their nonsensical psycho-babble when it advances their beliefs and purposes. It's a very deceptive mixture, and many people have fallen for it. I am not saying that this applies to the above site. I don't know this site's author, so I can't really say. Some writers, both Christian and non-Christian alike, may be sincere seekers of the truth; but too often, they simply get mixed up in, or confused by, or deceived by, the wrong ideas. We are, after all, only human.

But concerning these Endtime deceivers who purposely present themselves as Christians, when they are no such thing, Paul the Apostle offers us a sober warning when he writes:

"Having a form of godliness, but denying the power thereof: from such turn away."
2 Timothy 3:5, KJV

I'll be discussing more about Endtime deception in a minute. Another disturbing point which increases my skepticism with the web site in question, is their inclusion of information from the ZetaTalk web site. Like so many other New Agers and so-called "UFO contactees", Nancy Lieder, who appears to be

the main person behind the ZetaTalk site, has spouted off so much nonsense over the years, that I don't see how any sane, intelligent person can still consider her information to be valid, reliable or believable.

For those of you who may not be familiar with this issue, within the world of UFOlogy, people who allegedly have had contact with, or who maintain psychic contact with aliens, are referred to as "contactees". This contact can also be physical in nature. Nancy has claimed to be the contactee, or emissary, for the Zetas, since 1993. "Zeta" refers to an alleged race of extraterrestrial beings known as the "Grays" from the Zeta Reticuli binary star system. I discuss this in some of my other articles. If you surf the web a lot, then it is possible that you have seen drawings of these alleged beings, with pear-shaped heads; large, dark, almond-shaped eyes, small noses and mouths, and no ears. They are usually gray or bluish-gray in color, and their bodies are usually depicted as being very frail, with long spindly fingers. In fact, this form has been made popular by a number of modern movies, TV shows, etc., such as Steven Spielberg's "Taken".

Similar to Pastor F.M. Riley, Nancy was in total support of, and fully promoted, the crazy belief that Nibiru was going to approach the Earth on May 15, 2003, resulting in a polar shift, and other cataclysmic changes to our planet. It never happened. However, in Nancy's case, damage control was taken care of in a slightly different fashion. It seems that Nancy rarely talks for herself. It is usually the Zeta aliens who are talking through her, or so she claims. That is certainly an easy way for Nancy to shift the blame, and pass the buck; similar to "The devil made me do it!". At any rate, the May 15th date was assigned the name of the "White Lie", and the Zetas explained that they had purposely been deceitful; and that giving a date was irrelevant anyway, because it would have little effect on the outcome, due to human nature.

Let me also add that Nancy was very instrumental in setting up the "Troubled Times" web site, which, in effect, is just an extension of the ZetaTalk site. This second site totally revolves around the May 15th date, as their main page will verify. Its main purpose appears to have been to help people prepare themselves for the May 15th events, which, as we all know, never happened.

It seems to me that after a particular source of information has been proven to be wrong a certain number of times, they automatically discredit themselves. Yet, in spite of Nancy's poor track record, some people still place their faith in the information found on the ZetaTalk web site. Such appears to be the case with the person who wrote to me. Based on a comment that they posted on our EPO Messageboard, it seems that all of this talk of Nibiru arriving on the 15th of May, 2003, has led them to erroneously arrive at the conclusion that the Great Tribulation began on that date. While I don't mean to offend this person, I believe that they're seriously misguided in their understanding of the Scriptures.

As I point out in some of my articles, such as the lengthy series "The Great Tribulation And The Rapture", there are some important key prophetic events which have to transpire before the Great Tribulation can even begin. Based on what I know, and have seen over the past almost four decades, none of these things have occurred yet. That being the case, there is absolutely no way that anyone is going to convince me that the Great Tribulation began in May of 2003. Furthermore, my understanding is that the Great Tribulation will only last for three and a half years, and not for seven years, as she apparently believes. If you would like to better understand why I have adopted this position, I encourage you to read the aforementioned series. It offers a solid Scriptural response.

Quite frankly, I really don't understand how some folks can continue to follow people like Nancy Leider, and similar New Agers, after they have made such outlandish predictions that never came to pass. These people need to wake up, and stop believing in the delusions of these New Age false prophets, gurus and so-called alien contactees. For years now, since some of my earliest articles, such as "Age Of Deception, Age Of Delusion", I've been warning my readers to watch out for these deceitful workers of darkness. Many times I've shared pertinent verses from the Scriptures, such as the following:

"And if thou say in thine heart, How shall we know the word which the LORD hath not spoken? When a prophet speaketh in the name of the LORD, if the thing follow not, nor come to pass, that is the thing which the LORD hath not spoken, but the prophet hath spoken it presumptuously: thou shalt not be afraid of him."

Deuteronomy 18:21-22, KJV

"The prophets prophesy falsely, and the priests bear rule by their means; and my people love to have it so: and what will ye do in the end thereof?"

Jeremiah 5:31, KJV

"For they prophesy falsely unto you in my name: I have not sent them, saith the LORD."

Jeremiah 29:9, KJV

"Beware of false prophets, which come to you in sheep's clothing, but inwardly they are ravening wolves. Ye shall know them by their fruits. Do men gather grapes of thorns, or figs of thistles? Even so every good tree bringeth forth good fruit; but a corrupt tree bringeth forth evil fruit. A good tree cannot bring forth evil fruit, neither can a corrupt tree bring forth good fruit. Every tree that bringeth not forth good fruit is hewn down, and cast into the fire. Wherefore by their fruits ye shall know them."
Matthew 7:15-20, KJV

"And many false prophets shall rise, and shall deceive many . . . For there shall arise false Christs, and false prophets, and shall shew great signs and wonders; insomuch that, if it were possible, they shall deceive the very elect."

Matthew 24:11, 24, KJV

"For false Christs and false prophets shall rise, and shall shew signs and wonders, to seduce, if it were possible, even the elect."

Mark 13:22, KJV

"For such are false apostles, deceitful workers, transforming themselves into the apostles of Christ. And no marvel; for Satan himself is transformed into an angel of light. Therefore it is no great thing if his ministers also be transformed as the ministers of righteousness; whose end shall be according to their works."

2 Corinthians 11:13-15, KJV

"But evil men and seducers shall wax worse and worse, deceiving, and being deceived."
2 Timothy 3:13, KJV

"For the time will come when they will not endure sound doctrine; but after their own lusts shall they heap to themselves teachers, having itching ears;"
2 Timothy 4:3, KJV

"But there were false prophets also among the people, even as there shall be false teachers among you, who privily shall bring in damnable heresies, even denying the Lord that bought them, and bring upon themselves swift destruction." 2 Peter 2:1, KJV

"Beloved, believe not every spirit, but try the spirits whether they are of God: because many false prophets are gone out into the world."

1 John 4:1, KJV

"I also will choose their delusions, and will bring their fears upon them; because when I called, none did answer; when I spake, they did not hear: but they did evil before mine eyes, and chose that in which I delighted not." Isaiah 66:4, KJV

". . . because they received not the love of the truth, that they might be saved. And for this cause God shall send them strong delusion, that they should believe a lie:"
2 Thessalonians 2:10b-11, KJV

As the Lord made very clear through the Prophet Ezekiel, a true Prophet will be known, because what he says will come to pass, exactly as he said it would, and when he said it would. He won't have to present excuses for his failure, or try to worm his way out of it. Ezekiel wrote:

"And when this cometh to pass, (lo, it will come,) then shall they know that a prophet hath been among them." Ezekiel 33:33, KJV

Prophesying and making predictions is very serious business. It is not something that should be taken lightly; especially when one claims to be speaking for the Lord. Personally, I shy away from it, because it is a very great responsibility. Speaking when the Lord has not commanded you to speak can result in your own damnation. For me to ever say "Thus saith the Lord", I would have to be absolutely certain that it was the Lord. If I don't have that conviction in my heart, then I would just rather say "This is what I think"; or "This is how I personally understand it, based upon my knowledge of the Scriptures". I think one of the problems with some of

these modern preachers who are so quick to say "Thus saith the Lord" with every breath, is that they really don't have a fear of the Lord. They don't realize that, as Jesus said, someday, they will have to give an account for every idle word that they have spoken.

A moment ago, I said that I don't understand how some people can continue to follow these false prophets once they have been exposed for the frauds that they are. In reality, I was speaking in a rhetorical sense. The fact of the matter, as the previous verses make quite clear, is that God will allow such people to be deceived, because that is apparently what they want. They don't really want the truth of His Word; so He purposely allows them to be deceived, and to believe in the lies.

As I have explained before, God's Spirit of Truth is like a gentle dove. It will hover about us, and give each one of us ample opportunities to accept the truth. But, each time that we reject that truth, we harden our hearts a little more to the Voice of the Spirit. We slowly become dull of hearing, and finally reach the point where we can't even hear God's Spirit speaking to our hearts anymore. The Apostle Paul, in his Epistles, referred to this as having our understanding darkened, being blind in our hearts, being past feeling, and having our conscience seared with a hot iron. In other words, having our nerve endings deadened by the heat, so that we can't even feel the conviction of God's Spirit speaking to our hearts. Consider these verses:

"Having the understanding darkened, being alienated from the life of God through the ignorance that is in them, because of the blindness of their heart: Who being past feeling have given themselves over unto lasciviousness, to work all uncleanness with greediness."

Ephesians 4:18-19, KJV

"Now the Spirit speaketh expressly, that in the latter times some shall depart from the faith, giving heed to seducing spirits, and doctrines of devils; Speaking lies in hypocrisy; having their conscience seared with a hot iron; 1 Timothy 4:1-2, KJV

So that is the danger that we each face when we reject the truth of God's Word. When truth is rejected, delusion comes rushing in to fill the vacuum. Please notice when the Apostle Paul says that this sad condition will occur: In the Latter Times; that is, in the Last Days or Endtime; i.e., our time. Can any Bible-believing Christian truly doubt that this has happened in our modern day, and that this is the spiritual state of our current society? Evidence exists everywhere.

However, I do want to add a degree of balance to my previous comments. While it is indeed true that some people arrive at this sad spiritual condition due to their own stubbornness and unwillingness to accept the truth of God's Word, it is also true that some people are simply victims of these false prophets, gurus and New Agers, due to the fact that they are not particularly knowledgeable when it comes to the Bible. In other words, because they lack a solid Scriptural foundation, they have a propensity for being gullible and naive; and thus

they are easily deceived, and become easy prey for these New Age workers of darkness. I am not certain, but this may be the case with the person who wrote to me. In their desire to know the truth, perhaps they have simply fallen in with the wrong crowd; and now they are attempting to reconcile their New Age beliefs with what they know from the Bible.

As I have said before, the Scriptures are like a huge jigsaw puzzle which has many intricate pieces. However, all of the pieces can only fit together in one way in order to complete the full puzzle. Trying to force them together any other way will simply result in confusion, and this person does seem a bit confused in my view. Instead of letting the Word of God interpret itself by comparing Scripture with Scripture, they are trying to force the Bible to fit into their New Age way of thinking, and it just doesn't work that way. Sadly, many people try to do this very same thing.

It is precisely for this reason that ever since I began this online ministry over fourteen years ago, I have repeatedly stressed the importance of studying God's Word, and placing one's faith, not in what I say, but rather in what the Word of God says. After all, I am only human, and I can be wrong; but God's Word is never wrong, and that is where you should place your faith. Once you have done that, then you need to begin doing as I have done for many years; and that is to weigh all things against the Word of God, in order to verify whether they are true or false. If something does not agree with God's Word, or even directly contradicts it, then I urge you to reject it. If you are not sure about something, then simply hold it in reservation until such time that you can either satisfactorily reconcile it with the Bible, or else prove it to be false; in which case you should soundly reject it. I hope that you can see the wisdom of my words.

With these words, I will conclude part two of this series. I trust that you will join me in part three as we continue our discussion of Zecharia Sitchin, Nibiru, Planet X, Wormwood, and other related topics of interest.

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South Pole Telescope, East West Or South?, Three Months Years Or Decades To Arrive?, No May 27 Polar Shift, Damage Control, Flimsy Pseudo-Scientific Explanations, Size Of Major Planets, Gravitational Forces And Orbits, Inertia, Momentum, Planet X Stranded On The Fringes?, Fake Nibiru Sky Charts, Elongated Orbits, Nameless Planetary Scientists, Is Nibiru Here Or Not? Did You See Two Suns High In The Sky?, Where Are The Photos? Nibiru Is Not Wormwood, Armageddon And Deep Impact Strategies Deceived By New Age Psycho-Babble, Letters To Seven Churches

But let's return now to the subject of Nibiru, or Planet X. As further evidence of the existence of Planet X, Nibiru believers also point to the South Pole Telescope, or "SPT", which the U.S. Government has gone to great lengths to build at the Amundsen-Scott South Pole Station in Antarctica. This huge, specialized ten-meter optical telescope went online in February of this year. "Why there?" some may ask. The answer one will receive to this question depends on who you ask. In typical conspiratorial fashion, Nibiru promoters point to the fact that constructing the South Pole Telescope in a place so inaccessible to the rest of the world offers less opportunity for undesirables to discover what the US Government is doing down there. They also add that due to the angle of its orbit and approach to the Earth, the South Pole is the best place for making observations of Nibiru, as the mysterious planet arrives at our locale in Space.

So is there any truth to their so-called "evidence"? I hardly think so. This assertion, like many of their other claims, is nothing more than an assumption that's based on circumstantial evidence and wishful thinking. These Planet X adherents have made this association with the South Pole Telescope because, in their eyes at least, it adds weight to their argument that Nibiru is real. However, the truth is that there is no valid, logical reason, or even physical proof, to connect the South Pole Telescope with Nibiru. In short, they're simply grabbing at straws in order to support their questionable theory. Does this mean that they are completely wrong? As far as Nibiru is concerned, I would say "yes"; yet at the same time, as many of us already know, the governments of the world rarely state all of the real reasons why they do certain things. They only tell us what they want us to know.

So exactly what is the U.S. Government saying about the South Pole Telescope? If you take the time to visit the South Pole Telescope website that's hosted at the University of Chicago, you will see that they clearly explain that one of the main reasons why the South Pole was chosen as the location for the SPT, is because of the pristine atmospheric conditions which exist there. In other words, Antarctica offers an excellent observational environment. In their own words, they state:

To observe the CMB [Cosmic Microwave Background] light, we need a very clear atmosphere, without much water vapor which absorbs this light. This is the primary reason the telescope is situated at the South Pole.

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Their explanation sounds quite logical to me. However, on the other hand, to suggest that the site was chosen primarily to secretly observe Nibiru's southerly approach to the Earth, is quite far-stretched by comparison. The South Pole Telescope web site offers quite a bit of additional technical data with regards to the telescope's purpose and function. Following are some simplified excerpts for the layman:

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. . . the telescope will give astronomers a powerful new tool to explore dark energy, the mysterious force that may be causing the universe to accelerate.

The South Pole Telescope (SPT) is being built to try to answer big questions about the universe as a whole, rather than questions about the stars, galaxies, or other objects that make up the universe.

- * How old is the Universe?
- * What kinds of things are in the Universe?
- * How has it changed as it aged?
- * Can we understand or make "pictures" that describe how the Universe as a whole works?
- * Can we say anything about how the Universe will look in the future?
- $\,\cdot\,\cdot\,\cdot$ One of the first goals of the SPT is to try to confirm the existence of the Dark Energy and find out something about its properties.

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While these Nibiru promoters may not even realize it, their insistence that the main purpose of the South Pole Telescope is to observe Nibiru, has raised further doubts in my mind regarding the many photographs, supposedly of Nibiru, which we discussed in part two. Allow me to explain. Not being any kind of an astronomer, planetary scientist, physicist, or any other form of scientist, perhaps I just don't understand all of the mechanics involved in the alleged orbit of Nibiru.

If, as they claim, Nibiru is approaching the Earth from a more or less hidden position from the South Pole, how is it then that since 2003, people have been taking photographs of it, or at least what they claim are photos of Nibiru, as the Sun rises or sets in the East or in the West? If Planet X is behind the Sun in these images, doesn't that imply that it's being seen over the eastern or western horizon, and not from

the south? How can this be then? If Nibiru is arriving from the South Pole, then I would expect to have to look directly south in order to see it, and not to the east or to the west. It seems to me that there is a clear contradiction in what these people are saying.

I am also having a difficult time understanding how Nibiru, which supposedly returns every 3,600 years, has been hovering around the outer fringes of our Solar System since the early 1900's; at least according to what Sitchin's followers claim. Shouldn't it have arrived here by now? According to a writer on the "Details Here" web site, this is exactly what Nibiru supporters expected to happen. Once Planet X reached the area where Pluto is located, they anticipated that it would reach the Earth in a matter of three months. Consider the following quote taken from that site:

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Seven years ago Planet X was at the midpoint in it's orbit, between our sun and our sun's burned out twin. It is now picking up great speed. After it passes Pluto's orbit it will will only take another 90 days to reach its closest distance to earth. You will be able to see Planet X in the sky 7 weeks before the pole shift.

---- End Quote ----

As you can see, in addition to their 90-day prediction, the person who wrote the above comment makes a few other claims which leave even more room to doubt their words. Whether or not we live in a binary star system is clearly an issue left for another time. So let's concentrate on the latter claims; that is, the polar shift and the seven-week viewing period.

According to Nibiru supporters, once Planet X arrived in our area, the Earth was supposedly going to come to a standstill for a period of three days; after which time a ninety degree polar shift would occur, resulting in tremendous earthquakes, widespread volcanic eruptions, tidal waves, and a great loss of life. Nancy Leider, or should I say, the Zetas speaking through her, specifically stated that this polar shift would occur on May 27th, 2003. Of course, as we all know, contrary to their claims, no one saw Nibiru arriving for seven weeks; the Earth certainly didn't stop spinning for three days; the predicted polar shift didn't occur, and we're all still here safe and sound, living and surviving in this crazy world.

Nibiru supporters obviously had to implement damage control as soon as possible. Some of the arguments and excuses which they presented in order to try to explain away these failed predictions are both questionable and scientifically flimsy. For example, on the "Details Here" website that this person brought to my attention, we find the following explanation by one Pastor F. M. Riley, written in an email message:

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The reason Planet X has not already arrived is because of it's own gigantic magnetic core. According to planetary scientists, it's magnetic field causes it to slow down when

clashing with the magnetic fields of other heavenly bodies, and then when free from their influence it speeds up. This is similar to the same slingshot effect currently used by NASA scientists when launching space probes deep into space. They use the magnetic fields of various planets to give a boost to the space probes. Anyway, planetary scientists are still expecting Planet X to show up this year, and maybe within the next few weeks.

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To add perspective to the above quote, according to a variety of sources on the web, Planet X is approximately four or five times larger than Planet Earth, with a density that's twenty-three to one hundred times that of Earth. I don't understand why there is such a discrepancy regarding Nibiru's density; but then again, these Planet X promoters do seem to be rather contradictory. At any rate, it means that the gravitational field of Nibiru is considerably stronger than our own. While at first that may appear to be a lot, in contrast, various online sources state that the giant planet Jupiter is eleven times the size of the Earth, with a crushing gravitational field. Other online data reveals that Jupiter is 1.21 times the size of Saturn, 2.78 times the size of Uranus, and 2.9 times the size of the planet Neptune.

Adding to our comparisons, Neptune is about 3.78 times the size of the Earth, and Uranus is about 3.95 times the size of the Earth. In short, if it really exists, Nibiru is, at most, approximately twenty-five per cent larger than Uranus and Neptune, but substantially smaller than Jupiter. So the question is, if it is really out there, and given its size and gravitational field, exactly how would it interact with the outer four major planets; that is, with Jupiter, Saturn, Uranus and Neptune? Obviously, it would depend a lot on the precise orbital path of Planet X, and how physically close these celestial bodies came to each other.

As I said before, I am not a scientist by any means, so I won't even attempt to answer this question in any qualified manner. However, I'll offer my thoughts as a simple person with a basic understanding of science, and the Bible. To my knowledge, planets which are in a specific orbit simply do not stop and start again as a result of other gravitational forces. God put all things in the Universe in motion at the beginning of time, and they remain in motion. I'm convinced from my studies of the Bible, that it's the Will of God that holds the Universe together, and that maintains everything in its proper place and orbit.

Yes, I can accept that the gravitational fields of heavenly bodies can and do affect each other to varying degrees, and more so if they are close neighbors which have tight orbits that may intersect with each other. Sir Isaac Newton's first law of physics regarding inertia states that an object will tend to keep moving at a certain speed and direction, unless some outside force acts upon it and changes it. You'll recall how earlier, I mentioned that scientists believe that it may have been Neptune's gravitational field interacting with some of the KBO's, which resulted in many of them being scattered into the region known as the Scattered Disc beyond the Kuiper

Nibiru believers seem to be trying to base their ideas upon this principle. However, in my view, their position is both faulty and short-sighted, because they have failed to take into consideration another key factor; that is, momentum. We learn in Physics that momentum is the product of an object's mass, as well as its velocity. The greater the velocity and mass of an object are, the greater the momentum will also be.

Heavenly bodies which have been in a continual orbit for at least millennia, or longer, have obviously attained a very high degree of momentum. While the gravitational fields of planets may affect each other to some degree, as I've already stated, I have never heard of any planet coming to a complete standstill in rotation, or revolution, as a result of these principles of physics. While I could be wrong, in the case of the orbit of individual planets, it seems to me that momentum has minimized the effects of gravitational forces from other planets, to the degree that a planet simply cannot stop and start again in its orbit, as these Nibiru promoters propose. A planet will always remain in motion.

It is for reasons such as these, that I remain unconvinced that any inbound planet, such as Nibiru, can somehow remain stranded on the fringes of our Solar System since the early 1900's, as Planet X adherents foolishly propose. It's simply nonsense, and they undoubtedly know it, or at least I hope so.

While this may seem like a simplified example, if we can send a small probe into space, and that craft can reach the outer fringes of our Solar System within a matter of a few decades, or less, (such as the Voyager crafts of the 1970's), in spite of the many dangers it may face, such as gravitational forces, meteors, asteroids, mechanical failure, etc., it seems to me that a planet with such mass, density, momentum, inertia and velocity, such as Nibiru, could have easily made it through the very same spacial gauntlet, into the inner regions of our Solar System by now, if it really was where they said it was in the 1900's. Do you see my point?

Comets provide a similar example. Once an inbound comet has been discovered in the outer regions of our Solar System, it does not take it decades, and much less a century, to reach the neighborhood of our Planet Earth. Yet, as I said, Nibiru supporters are asking us to believe that Planet X just can't seem to make it in due to the gravitational forces slowing it down. How much more momentum must Nibiru have than a comet, or a space probe, and yet it is stranded in deep space just waiting for its opportunity to make its grandiose appearance?

As we have already seen, followers of Zecharia Sitchin tell us that Nibiru's long disappearances from our skies of 3,600 years, are due to its greatly elongated orbital path, and an oddly-angled entry into our Solar System. If that is truly the case, then I must wonder what the actual trajectory of this space nomad might be. Can they show us a graph which pinpoints exactly when and where it will pass through our Solar System? Can they also show us the precise objects in Space which are hindering its arrival due to their obviously

over-powering gravitational force? I believe that these are fair questions to ask; don't you? After all, the scientific method is supposed to be about acquiring the truth; right?

Well, it may interest you to know that back during 2002 and early 2003, a few individuals were bold enough to actually produce such sky charts, which allegedly plotted Planet X's journey through the constellations, as it made its way to Planet Earth. These charts were obviously the products of someone's vivid imagination, because as it is now apparent, Nibiru never made a show in May of 2003. Oops . . . did the deceitful Zetas give false information again? Please notice that the issue I am challenging is not whether or not long orbital cycles are real. As we saw in part one, astronomers believe that Comet 2000 CR/105 has a cycle of 3,300 years. The difference is that they have actually seen 2000 CR/105, and can prove its existence. This is not the case with the ever-elusive Nibiru which seems to like to play peek-a-boo with humanity.

Going back to the quote I shared earlier regarding why the Mystery Planet hasn't made its appearance yet, it seems to me that it is nothing more than a pseudo-scientific endeavor to muddle the glaringly obvious fact that these people were just plain wrong. Not only did Nibiru not appear on May 15, 2003, as they had all predicted; but neither has it made an appearance since then. Their pseudo-scientific attempt to explain away Planet X's no-show may seem convincing on the surface to their gullible, naive followers, but deeper examination reveals its flaws.

What also bothers me about that quote, is the fact that the author of the comment doesn't even bother to inform us who these planetary scientists are, or exactly what they had to say. Doing so would have certainly given the comment a lot more validity; plus it would have given each of us a chance to do some research of our own. We aren't given any factual details with which to work. So we must ask ourselves: Was the omission of the names of the planetary scientists meant to protect them from ridicule; or is it possible that the author of the comment felt that a more noncommittal, generic comment was a safer route to take? Is it even possible that there really weren't any comments from planetary scientists? We have no way of knowing.

All I can say is, if any planetary scientists actually made this prediction regarding Nibiru's imminent arrival a few years ago, I seriously doubt that they still have their jobs now; because they've discredited themselves, and done some rather sloppy work, which is not a hallmark of real-quality, bona fide, scientific inquiry.

We've now seen how Nancy Leider of ZetaTalk, and Pastor F. M. Riley, have dismissed Nibiru's failure to appear on May 15th of 2003 in different ways. We have also seen how the Planet X supporters are now suggesting that the construction of the South Pole Telescope is additional proof that Nibiru is still on its way. But wait just a minute! Didn't you people tell us a few years ago that Nibiru was already here? If it's already here, how can it still be on its way then? If you, my readers, don't understand what I am talking about, and if you want to

really see how contradictory and confusing these Nibiru folks can be, consider the following.

While making a cursory review of the ZetaTalk web site as I researched for this series, I found a page entitled "Pole Shift in 2003 Date". At the very bottom of this page, in the final line, I discovered this defiant-sounding statement:

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"A review of 2003 shows that whereas the Passage did not happen in 2003, Planet X certainly arrived in 2003!"

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Now, I don't know about you, but when somebody announces to me that someone or something has arrived, to me, that means that they, or it, is here and now. It is a rather definitive statement. There is no guessing about it. So I see no other way to interpret the above statement than to mean that the Mystery Planet X arrived in May of 2003. So again I ask: If that is the case, why are they now saying that scientists have set up the South Pole Telescope in anticipation of the arrival of the ever-evasive Nibiru? Confusing, isn't it?

I clicked on the "review of 2003" link included in the above quote, in order to see exactly what kind of proof they were offering that Nibiru had indeed arrived. At the top of the page, there was a comment which stated in part "Second Sun visible worldwide, rising and setting independently from the Sun"; and then a long list of events filled the page, which was obviously meant to convince the viewer that, in Nancy's words, there is "a magnetic interloper in the solar system." A lot of the events listed on the page can be explained by causes other than a mysterious Planet X entering our Solar System. I did find the astronomical events listed rather interesting; but again, there was no detailed information or links to back up the stated claims, so they're worthless.

At the top of the page, next to the comment about a second Sun being seen around the world, there was an image which is supposed to support that claim. As you can see by the copy shown below, if you're reading this article on the graphical version of our website, the idea is to convey the impression that there are two Suns in the sky; but is that really what we are seeing here? I think not.

I propose that what we are really seeing in this photograph, is kind of an optical illusion created by the cloud masses which are cutting into what is the glow of a single Sun. The top cloud mass is cutting into the glow from above, creating the impression that there are actually two distinct glowing bodies. The elongated cloud mass on the bottom is cutting right across the glow, and the real Sun, blocking out the lower right half of the horizon. Being as this lower cloud mass is thin on the left side, it is easy to see the real partially-obscured Sun, and its glow, both above and below the cloud. I suspect that if these two cloud masses were not there, we would discover that, in reality, this is just one continuous glow from a single Sun.

There is another hint which strongly suggests that there are not really two orbs in the sky. Compare the glowing areas. It is easy to determine by the intensity of the glow on the left side, that this is the actual location of the concealed Sun. The right side of the glow is clearly more opaque, and does not give the impression, (at least not to me), that it has a real source of light behind it, or below it. Similar to the images I shared in part two, I suspect that the glow on the right is merely an extension of the glow on the left; and if not that, then perhaps some kind of distortion or projection resulting from water vapor and/or pollution in the Earth's atmosphere. As I mentioned before, we need to remember that when we are viewing a sunrise, or a sunset, we are looking through the thickest part of the atmosphere; and water vapor and contaminants can do strange things with light rays.

Now, let's be honest here. If there were really two Suns in the sky, don't you think it would be on every single radio and television station, and in every newspaper and magazine around the world? It would make the headlines like nothing ever has before. No matter how powerful, or how manipulative some of the world's governments may be, there is no possible way that they could conceal such an event, because everyone in the world would see it, and not just these Nibiru people.

That brings us to another point. On the sites that I visited, most of the supposed images of Nibiru show Planet X near the Sun at sunrise and sunset. Even Nancy Leider claimed "Second Sun visible worldwide, rising and setting independently from the Sun". Now, using a little common sense, this implies that Planet X must have an orbit which closely follows the orbit of the Sun. There is no other way to explain how the alleged Nibiru can appear in both the morning and the evening shots. This also implies that if these two bodies have very similar orbits, then we should not only be able to view Planet X at sunrise and sunset, it should also be visible throughout the day; even as it rises high in the sky, in the vicinity of the Sun. Did you happen to observe this? Please let me know if you have; and please email me some clear photos to prove your claim. Photoshop touch-ups are excluded. Sorry! :)

Seriously; where are the late morning or afternoon images of two bright orbs high in the sky? Nibiru adherents argue that Planet X's albedo, (the degree at which a body reflects the light of the Sun), as well as its proximity to the Sun, make it difficult to see. However, it seems to me that there must surely be some locations in all the world, where photographs can be taken from just the right angle, which clearly show two distinct Suns high in the sky; and yet, I wasn't able to find even one of them.

Along the same lines, why are there no photographs of these alleged two Suns in a cloudless sky? Why are the images hazy, cloudy, or taken either at sunrise or at sunset? The answer seems quite obvious to me. It is only under these conditions, when a lot of water vapor is present in the atmosphere, or when we are looking horizontally through the pollutants that are present in the atmosphere, that these distortion effects occur. As I mentioned earlier, such effects can also be the result of camera flares, photographic equipment anomalies, or in some cases, intentional photographic trickery.

Returning to the person who wrote to me, as I pointed out in part one, it seems from their correspondence to me, as well as from their posts on our Endtime Prophecy Org Messageboard, that they have erroneously become convinced that the alleged Nibiru may be the prophetic Wormwood spoken of in the Book of Revelation. As I already mentioned, I offer my own views regarding Wormwood in my article "Comet Hale-Bopp, Chernobyl and the DeathStar Wormwood". I encourage you to read it if you haven't already done so. You may find it interesting.

Personally, based upon the information that is found on the web regarding the alleged nature of Nibiru, i.e., its size, mass, density, etc., I don't see how it could possibly be Wormwood, even if Nibiru really does exist. Revelation tells us clearly that Wormwood ". . . fell upon the third part of the rivers, and upon the fountains of waters . . . and the third part of the waters became wormwood; and many men died of the waters, because they were made bitter".

Now please stop and think about this for a moment. Planet X supporters tell us that Planet X is four or five times the size of the Earth. That being the case, if it were truly on a straight course with the Earth, given its tremendous size, it would not fall into anything; that would be physically impossible. If it were a head-on collision, it would in fact totally obliterate the Earth. If it were a side-swipe, then it would at least partially destroy the Earth, and I would think, knock it out of orbit. In any of these scenarios, it would not just poison a third of the Earth's rivers, seas, oceans, etc., as the Book of Revelation appears to describe.

In an attempt to be a little open-minded about this Nibiru issue, I'll offer two remote possibilities which might make a little sense. First, assuming that Planet X is real, (and this is just an assumption for the sake of argument), let us suppose that scientists discover that they've erred in their initial calculations, and to their horror, they realize that, in reality, this deep space intruder isn't going to pass us by at some x number of millions of miles, but rather, it is on a direct collision course with the Earth. What might the governments of the world decide to do in such a case?

As I said, this is just a wild speculation, in order to show Nibiru supporters that I'm trying to be open-minded here; so please take my comments with a grain of salt. What comes to my mind is scenarios similar to what we see in popular movies such as "Deep Impact" and "Armageddon". In other words, in order to try to lessen the damage to the Earth, and assuming that there is even enough time to take evasive action, the world's governments decide to try to break up the incoming invader by using nuclear devices, or some other mechanism. In such a theoretical scenario, there exists the possibility that some of the debris from the destroyed planet, (meaning Nibiru), would still fall to the Earth. This might possibly result in a scenario similar to what is described in the Book of Revelation concerning Wormwood.

Please understand, however, that I do not believe this for a minute. Movies are just that . . . movies. They are meant to entertain us and serve as temporary mechanisms of escape. More often than not, their level of real science is shallow at best. If the fabled Twelfth Planet is really four or five times the size of the Earth, I seriously doubt that nuclear weapons, space lasers or any other technology, would be able to deter it, or even inflict any serious damage upon it.

The second possibility, again assuming that Nibiru is real, is that, (as some Planet X promoters have been saying), this massive planet is not going to strike the Earth, but rather, will pass "close" by us at x millions of miles. In this case, Nibiru supporters suggest that some of the space debris that is currently being dragged along by Planet X's gravitational field, will be cast down to the Earth. Such a scenario might also fit into the events concerning Wormwood, as described in the Book of Revelation.

As I already stated, these two possibilities are based upon the actual existence of Nibiru; and to date, I have not seen any overwhelming evidence to support this claim whatsoever. All I've seen are a lot of questionable photographs, failed predictions, contradictory statements, and pseudo-scientific explanations to persuade the naive and gullible masses.

As I pointed out in part two, unless one has a background in the study of the Scriptures, it is very easy to become drawn into some of this New Age psycho-babble. It's easy to become enticed by it, awed by it, and even deceived by it. I know this for a fact, because it almost happened to me about ten years ago when I first started looking into all of this New Age stuff. The danger is that if we are not careful, we can reach a point where, instead of understanding the Scriptures with the help of God's Holy Spirit, we begin to view God's Word from a New Age perspective, and we try to force God's Word to fit into our New Age perspective.

This appears to be exactly what is happening with the person who wrote to me. They've become so convinced that Nibiru is real, that now they are trying to insert its existence into other parts of the Bible as well. In their last message on our Endtime Prophecy Org Messageboard, they now claim that in the opening chapters of the Book of Revelation, where we find the letters to the Seven Churches which the Angel tells John are in Asia, (i.e., in Asia Minor), the seven Spirits, churches and candlesticks are all related to the seven times that Nibiru has, or will, visit the Earth.

This person's assertion is totally baseless. The Scriptures make it rather clear that these were literal congregations which existed during John's time in the area then known as Asia, or Asia Minor. Today, it is a part of Turkey. St. John wrote these letters of admonition and encouragement to these churches, as directed by God. They have absolutely nothing to do with Nibiru. The only way that this person can arrive at such erroneous conclusions, is by ignoring what is plainly written in the Scriptures, and by taking out of context what is written in these particular verses.

I wish this was the end of it, but it is not. As we conclude this series in part four, we will examine some other New Age views embraced by the person in question. I'll also be making some final comparisons between what Sitchin and his followers believe, and what $\operatorname{God}\nolimits\text{'s}$ $\operatorname{Word}\nolimits$ teaches us. I trust that you will join $\operatorname{me}\nolimits.$

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As I noted earlier in this series, once we fail to take heed to the Voice of God's Spirit, strong delusion begins to set in. Having offered their warped understanding of the opening chapters of the Book of Revelation, the person who wrote to me then leaps forward to Revelation chapter eighteen, where we find the description of Babylon the Great, the Beast, the Seven Kings and the Ten Horns. More specifically, they point out verse ten which speaks of the Seven Kings. In order to keep the verse in its proper context, I am going to include the surrounding Scriptures as well:

"And here is the mind which hath wisdom. The seven heads are seven mountains, on which the woman sitteth. And there are seven kings: five are fallen, and one is, and the other is not yet come; and when he cometh, he must continue a short space. And the beast that was, and is not, even he is the eighth, and is of the seven, and goeth into perdition. And the ten horns which thou sawest are ten kings, which have received no kingdom as yet; but receive power as kings one hour with the beast. These have one mind, and shall give their power and strength unto the beast."

Revelation 17:9-13, KJV

The majority of Bible scholars and students, myself included, are in agreement that the Seven Kings represent either seven world powers or empires, or seven actual literal leaders. In contrast, this person again twists the meaning of the verses, and concludes that the Seven Kings are the same as the Seven Churches. Totally ignoring what the Bible tells us about the true age of the Earth, they then offer their interpretation of verse ten. I am including it here just so my readers can see how off-base we can get when we become deceived by this New Age nonsense:

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According to Rev. 17:10 where it says "five are fallen, one is, and the other is not yet come" (referring to these 7 churches or times) would mean that the 5 fallen would be 1) Ephesus at around 19,600 B.C., 2) Smyrna at around 16,000 B.C., 3) Pergamus at around 12,400 B.C., 4) Thyatira at around 8,800 B.C. and 5) Sardis at around 5,200 B.C. The one that is at the time of John's revelation would be 6) Philadelphia at around 1,600 B.C. The one that has not yet come is 7) Laodicea or our time now. In Rev. 17:11 "the beast that was, and is not, even he is the eighth, and is of the seven, and goeth into perdition (or back out into space

possibly), this time would be around 5,600 A.D., and is of the 7 because it overlaps onto this clock in the heavens coming back around near to where the position of the first church is.

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As I noted a moment ago, and if you are a Bible student as well, you will already know that, concerning these churches, the Angelic Messenger told the Apostle John that they are in Asia. It is present tense. He didn't say that they were in Asia at some time in the past, or that they will be in Asia at some time in the future; they are in Asia during John's time. So when was John's time? When did John walk the Earth? Again, many Bible scholars concur that John, who was one of the Lord's Twelve Apostles, and who was also known as John the Revelator, wrote the Book of Revelation, or Apocalypse, sometime during the last half of the First Century. We also know that John received his visions on the isle of Patmos, which is a tiny island located in the Aegean Sea. In chapter one of the Book of Revelation we read:

"I John, who also am your brother, and companion in tribulation, and in the kingdom and patience of Jesus Christ, was in the isle that is called Patmos, for the word of God, and for the testimony of Jesus Christ."

Revelation 1:9, KJV

The Angelic Messenger specifically told John to write down the things he saw in a book, and to send the book to each of the Seven Churches. How could John possibly have done this, if, as this person claims, the Seven Churches are scattered throughout time from 19,600 BC to 5,600 AD? It is absolutely nonsensical to even consider such an idea; and it would be one amazing feat indeed. Now here is what the Scriptures say regarding John's mission:

"John to the seven churches which are in Asia: Grace be unto you, and peace, from him which is, and which was, and which is to come; and from the seven Spirits which are before his throne; . . . Saying, I am Alpha and Omega, the first and the last: and, What thou seest, write in a book, and send it unto the seven churches which are in Asia; unto Ephesus, and unto Smyrna, and unto Pergamos, and unto Thyatira, and unto Sardis, and unto Philadelphia, and unto Laodicea."
Revelation 1:4, 11, KJV

So if we put aside this person's misguided New Age ideas, it is quite easy to see how John, while living on a tiny island located offshore from Asia Minor in the Aegean Sea, could be inspired to write down his visions, and then have them sent by courier, to the Seven Churches which were located in Asia Minor. Exactly when did these events occur? Obviously during John's lifetime sometime in the First Century. This person's claim that "The one that is at the time of John's revelation would be 6) Philadelphia at around 1,600 B.C.", is a blatant historical inaccuracy, and demonstrates how very little they know about secular history and Biblical history. There is no need to tax our brains in order to understand the verses in question. Their meaning is quite plain to any Bible student who is yearning for Scriptural truth, and who is capable of

conducting a little bit of Biblical research.

Sadly, while conducting research for this series, I found out that, as in the previous examples I have shared, some Nibiru followers have attempted to attach Planet X to other Biblical events as well; such as the Great Flood that occurred during Noah's day, as well as the Ten Plagues which befell Egypt at the time of the Israelite Liberation under the leadership of the Prophet and Messenger, Moses. I honestly don't know how God performs His many miracles. I don't know what mechanisms He may possibly use. However, to try to attribute everything to Nibiru, is basically to try to rob God of His Power and Glory in my view; and the Bible specifically tells us that we are not to worship the creation more than the Creator.

If you are a Bible-believing Christian as I am, then perhaps the following short comparative list will help you to better understand my concerns regarding this Nibiru obsession, and see why I view it as a spiritual danger to all Christians.

- 1. The Bible teaches us that God the Father and Jesus Christ His Son, made all things, including the Sun, Earth, Moon and stars, for their own pleasure, about 6,000 years ago. To the contrary, Zecharia Sitchin's followers promote the idea that the Earth and the Moon were the result of a great collision between Nibiru and another celestial body billions of years ago.
- 2. The Bible teaches us that God created man on the sixth day about 6,000 years ago. To demonstrate their love and care for their new creation, they placed man in the beautiful Garden of Eden, where all of their needs were met. In contrast, the followers of Zecharia Sitchin's writings claim that man is the result of genetic experiments conducted by an alien race over 300,000 years ago. They also claim that humankind was created as a slave race to serve the Anunnakis.
- 3. The Bible tells us that as a result of the wickedness and violence being committed by man, God decided to destroy His original creation through a worldwide Flood. Furthermore, we are told that after the flood waters had subsided, God began the world anew through the bloodline of Noah and his family. Contrary to what is stated in the Biblical account, Zecharia Sitchin's followers claim that the Great Flood wasn't really wrought by God's Hand, but was instead the result of one of the ancient passages by the planet Nibiru.
- 4. The Bible teaches us that in order to persuade Pharaoh, king of Egypt to free the Israelites from bondage, God sent a variety of Plagues via the hand of His Prophet, Messenger and Deliverer, Moses. These Plagues clearly demonstrated the power of the Hebrew God, while exposing the weakness of the Egyptian gods, and their inability to prevent the Plagues. In contrast, Nibiru promoters contradict the Bible, and say that the Plagues were simply the result of Nibiru's passage during that time period. Once again, this interpretation of historical and Biblical events robs God of His Glory.
- 5. Some Nibiru supporters claim that the letters to the Seven Churches in Asia found in the Book of Revelation, is a veiled timeline regarding Nibiru's historical passages by the Earth.

This interpretation is totally contrary to the actual context of the verses in question, defies all logic, contradicts the the historical record of early Christianity, and ignores the geography of the area where these events occurred.

6. A seemingly large number of Nibiru believers promote the belief that Nibiru is the prophetic deathstar, Wormwood, that is mentioned in the Book of Revelation. There is no concrete scientific or Scriptural proof to support this claim. It is scientifically impossible for a celestial body, alleged to be four or five times the size of the Earth, to fall into the Earth's water sources. Given the size and momentum of Nibiru, assuming of course that it even exists, any kind of head-on collision would undoubtedly result in the total annihilation of the Earth.

There may be other beliefs embraced by Nibiru supporters that contradict the Word of God. I have shared a few of which I've personally become aware. To reiterate what I said earlier, I just don't believe that it is wise to try to attach Nibiru to Biblical events, simply for the sake of trying to prove that it exists. We should let the Bible interpret itself, and stop attempting to make it say things that it is not meant to say. The point of this series has been to expose some of the false ideas, obvious fallacies, inaccuracies and false predictions which have surrounded this issue for so many years. Likewise, the purpose of this series has been to warn other Christians of the subtle, deceptive nature of New Age ideas, and of how easy it is for them to cloud our thinking if we fail to keep our guards up, and remain vigilant.

Speaking of false predictions, it might interest you to know that according to one web site that I visited, even Zecharia Sitchin himself commented that it was unlikely that Nibiru would reach the Earth on May 15, 2003. He stated:

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. . . the assumption that the 3600 years, as a perfect mathematical given, is also at all times the actual orbital period, is untenable: Even the orbit of Halley's comet, about 75 years, varies from 74 to 76 or so. All attempts to pinpoint a precise date for future arrivals of the planet and/or of the Anunnaki are thus difficult questions. I will answer them once I am satisfied that, based on historical and astronomical data, I have come up with the right answer.

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If even Zecharia Sitchin is hesitant to offer a concrete date for the next passage of Nibiru, we must wonder then how it is that some of his misguided followers have been offering dates for a number of years now. In fact, as surprising as it may seem, in spite of their dismal failure with the May 15, 2003 date, these people continue to predict the date of Nibiru's next passage by the Earth. They have apparently updated the schedule, and are now claiming that Nibiru's next visit will coincide with the end of the Mayan Calendar in 2012. This is another New Age belief which we will reserve for another time and another article perhaps. If you are one who accepts these beliefs surrounding the Mayan Calendar, I hope that you don't

end up embarrassed in 2012, as the Nibiru supporters were in May of 2003.

But concerning Nibiru's passage in 2012, I for one, will not be holding my breath. Will you? I have seen so many of these failed New Age predictions on the Internet, that I've grown wise enough to ignore them. I trust that you are smart enough to do the same. Please don't give in to their deception; and whatever you do, don't be so foolish as to waste your hard-earned money on Nibiru-related products like tapes, videos, books, etc. I feel sorry for the people who were fooled into purchasing these items several years ago, only to discover later that they had been hoodwinked by a slick, fast-talking salesman or author.

As I pointed out earlier in this series, the Scriptures speak a lot about deception and the Gift of Spiritual Discernment. The Bible also encourages us to put on the "mind of Christ". In this modern age of computers and the Information Highway, it is even more imperative that, as Christians, we ask God to give us the wisdom that we need, in order to safely navigate through this modern life, where information, both useful and dangerous, is thrown at us from every direction, like never before. As the Apostle James once wrote:

"If any of you lack wisdom, let him ask of God, that giveth to all men liberally, and upbraideth not; and it shall be given him."

James 1:5, KJV

With that verse, I will bring this series to a close. I hope that you have found it both instructive, and enjoyable. Feel free to post any comments you may have concerning it, on our Endtime Prophecy Org Messageboard.

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