



January Newsletter

Old Testament Archaeology - Synchronizing the Biblical and Egyptian History



Chris Ashcraft

Jan. 20th at 9:00 AM

The Old Testament of the Bible contains rich and interesting stories of God's people that span more than 4000 years. However, this important historic record is under attack by archaeologists who have claimed that the Biblical account of history is inaccurate or even fictitious. Well known events, such as the conquest of Jericho and the Exodus of the Israelites from Egypt, have been challenged on archaeological grounds.

Chris Ashcraft examines these challenges and shows that when the evidence is revealed, science supports the historicity of the Bible. He will review several well known Biblical events and figures that can now be substantiated by recent archaeological investigations, and see that the Bible is a trustworthy in all things.

Chris Ashcraft is a Christian educator employed as high school science teacher at Cedar Park Christian Schools and Adjunct Professor at NW University. Formerly, Chris was a biology research technician specialized in plant tissue culture and genetic transformation technology. He was employed at the Cotton Fiber Production Laboratory at Texas Tech University and the Plant Transformation Facility at Oklahoma State University, and lastly was the Plant Transformation Specialist for EDEN Bioscience in Bothell Washington.

Chris obtained a Bachelor of Science in biology from Wayland Baptist University in 1989, a Master of Science in biology from Texas Tech University in 1996, a Master of Education from the University of Washington in 2008, and a Master in Teaching Math and Science from Seattle Pacific University in 2012.

Our meeting starts at **9:00 AM Saturday, January 20** at Greater Portland Bible Church, 2374 SW Vermont St.

For those who cannot attend in person, the meeting will also be livestreamed from a link on our website at <https://designsciencenw.org/livestream>

Note regarding these DSA Newsletter Emails

We need to switch to a different bulk emailing service - called Zoho Campaigns - after next month. This email you are reading was sent via Zoho and hopefully has not landed in your Spam folder. If you are reading this, then you can ignore a nearly identical email we'll send this evening using the old service - TinyLetter .

DSA Board and Officer Elections

A Membership Meeting will be held on Jan. 20 following Chris Ashcraft's presentation. If you would like to vote, please complete and turn in your membership renewal form found at **Statement of Belief**

Volunteer Opportunity (very low-tech)

If you are able to attend our meetings regularly and are available to spend a few minutes afterwards looking for and then picking up any food crumbs from the auditorium floor, DSA has a simple, non-electric (no digital gauge or buttons to figure out) carpet sweeper available for you. Please email us at designscienceassociation@gmail.com It may not sound like much but we really appreciate Greater Portland Bible Church renting us this space each month and we want to be responsible stewards.

What God Says and What He Means



Imagine you've done something heroic and are invited to meet with the President of the United States. In making small-talk he mentions having visited Yosemite Nat'l Park and seeing Old Faithful erupt, crossing the Continental Divide twice and seeing a large lake with ice floes on it. You know that he's saying Yosemite but means Yellowstone. Question: do you correct him? Especially if other people are present, watching & recording the meeting, would you dare correct the President of the US?

If not, then would you dare tell God that while He says He created everything in six days, you know He means 13.7 billion years? God asks Job in 40:2 (CSB) *"Will the one who contends with the Almighty correct him? Let him who argues with God give an answer."*

Any president may make a slip-up. God does not. God says what He means and He means what He says. **Who** are we to tell Him otherwise?

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## Coming up at our February 17 Meeting

Mike Riddle will speak on the Big Bang and whether it agrees with the Genesis account of creation(?) Hint: the answer starts with an "N."

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