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Date Posted: Apr 29, 2003 #401

The reason it took so long to write the Bible is because most of the events were scribed shortly after they took place. Since the Bible spans a good 5,000 years, it's quite apparent as to why it took so long to write.

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Why did it take god 5000 years to decide on his rules and teachings? I'm also very interested in hearing about Jesus as a child. I wonder what could have happened.

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"people are afraid of whats next and are scared into religion by things like hell."

Honestly I think you do have a good point here and I would just like to comment on that. It is true that many people are scared into it because they are frightened by hell and such. ANd personally I think thats a terrible reason for being religious. I don't think that God would want that, because He is the ultimate good.

I grew up in a Christian home and attended many different types of churches. While I consider myself to be fairly strong in my faith (though not as much as I'd like to be), there are many beefs that I have with church, each denomination, and many of the so-called christians that live in this world today. I think its wrong to try and push your beliefs on other people, and to try and tell people that they will go to hell for something they are doing or not doing. God is a loving god and in order to follow by his example, we're supposed to love everyone, regardless of the things they do. We're not supposed to judge people, or we ourselves will face judgement. Yet everyday I see those things done by people who call themselves Christian. And its my belief that things like that and other forms

of hypocrisy are what turn people away from Christianity, and cause them to question.

These things however, have not turned me away. I just tell people how I feel about an issue and practice what I 'preach.' When I am asked about my religion, I tell what I think about things like this, and such. I can see points made by people who choose not to believe in God, yet I try not to get into religious debates because, no matter what I say, or what the other person says, it will not change either of our minds. If I tell you what I believe and you don't believe what I've said, then my work is done and that is all there is to it. no need in continuiously debating.

Okay, I'm done. Goodbye

waves at everyone

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Well if you are interested in Jesus youth, you could look at the gospel of Thomas, but most people think it is a very unreliable source (ivcluging me). This is because it has Jesus playing with God-like powers.
For example: Jesus kills/raises childhood friends. Then due to these kids in the area hiding when he comes to play, he finds the house they are hiding in and asks the woman I she has seen the kids. She says 'No' but there is a sound from the basement. Jesus asks what it is and she claims there are goats in the basement. Jesus goes and opens the basment door and to the ladies surprise the children have become goats. She grabbs Jesus by the ear and drags him home and tells Mary what Jesus did. Mary has Jesus change the kids back.
OK, so that is one of the stories, but I think that it is all false b/c it is inconsistant with other teachings, and b/c its authorship is in question.

As for the why 5000 years thing. Well, I don't think that God is done teaching even now. For example, what about evolution? How could God have gone to Moses and said, "O.K. this is how the world was formed...first I made a infinitly dense particle, then I had it explode, and expand. The gases collected and eventually cooled...etc...
It wouldn't have worked, the people were not ready to understand. In the same way the Hebrews were selfish and needed generations to incorporate Moses' and other prophets' laws into thier culture. Once it was time, God sent Jesus as a new lesson of sacrifice. Since, the Hebrews (now Jews) had learned to trust God and were waiting for the savior at the time, God sent Him. But as we all know He surprised them by teaching that they were to give of themselves to others for God's glory. After, the Egyptin exodus, 40 yrs in desert, rule of judges and 3 kings, the babylonian captivity, etc... the faith had learned to trust God and so they brought their faith to a deeper and more correct level.

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My point isn't that the bible should have advanced technical explanations, it's that I should have been decided on what kind of religion it was going to be and what the rules really are.

legacyAccount, Apr 29, 2003 Report

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Religion is a very interesting topic since it trys to answer questions and provoke questions. I'm not surprised at all that many RPG's have used religion in their story line. Besides, having religion as a basis for your story line sets up the posibility for the best end boss, God.

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-The Bible was written by 40 diffrent people over a period of 1500 years.

-If you want to know what Jesus life was like then Matthew, Mark, Luke and John are good books to read in the Bible. There is a book called "The Greatest Man Who Ever Lived" and it teaches us about Jesus life from birth to his death.

-Jesus came to Earth as a ransom. He is called the second Adam because through one man (Adam) came death and through another man (Jesus) came life. John 3:16- "For God loved the world so much that he gave His only begotten Son, in order that everyone exercising faith in him might not be destroyed but have everlasting life."

-Jesus had many followers but for the most part the Jews rejected him.

kerrymike, Apr 29, 2003 Report

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Besides, having religion as a basis for your story line sets up the possibility for the best end boss, God.

Ha ha, that's true. Then something cool can happen where justice prevails over the awesome power of the "evil" god.

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Nah, sometimes you need to just fight God (see Xenogears).

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