

Part 3, Paper 117, God the Supreme, Mighty Messenger

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Sarah, John

J John 00:00

Okay, strap in everyone, because this deep dive, oh, man, this is a big one. We are heading straight into the Urantia books cosmology. And let me tell you, it's a wild ride. Specifically, we're grappling with the concept of God the Supreme, not just God, not God the Father, but God the Supreme. And we're mainly drawing from paper 117 for this.

S Sarah 00:19

It's a doozy of a paper.

J John 00:20

Oh, it really is, yeah. So to be clear, this isn't your typical Sunday School God. We're talking about here. This is about a being that, well, according to the Urantia Book, is literally being formed by the totality of well, existence itself. Yeah,

S Sarah 00:34

it's this really fascinating idea. Imagine, if you will, all the truth ever discovered, like every scientific breakthrough, every philosophical epiphany. Then add in the beauty of like, every sunset, every symphony, every act of creation, and on top of that layer, the goodness of every act of compassion, every moment of selflessness, all the love that's ever existed. Okay, I'm

J John 00:56

trying to hold all of that. It's a lot, but

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Sarah 00:57

the Urantia Book is saying these things. They aren't just like fleeting moments. You know, they're actual building blocks of this being, God the Supreme. So

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John 01:05

what you're saying is it's less about a dude on a cloud with a beard, and more like the universe itself is, I don't know, waking up, God, gaining consciousness. You're

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Sarah 01:15

getting warm. And it gets even wilder. This being, this God the Supreme. It's not some static, finished entity. It's like constantly evolving, becoming more and more realized, more actualized with every choice we make and get this towards truth, beauty and goodness. Those things we were just talking about, they matter. Hold

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John 01:32

up. Wait a minute. My choices, like what I had for breakfast this morning, those are impacting a god. That's that's a lot of pressure.

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Sarah 01:40

It really drives home how central we are to the whole cosmic picture, right? This isn't just about you living your best life. You becoming a better you literally contributes to the evolution of God to God the Supreme. That's how deeply intertwined we are, according to the Urantia Book, wow. Okay, no pressure, right? Yeah, right. And it even says that rejecting that path of growth, you know, like turning away from, as the book calls it, the eternal career that directly impacts the Supremes development like it can't reach its full potential without us a powerful statement about individual responsibility, that's for sure. No kidding,

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John 02:15

that second donut I had last night was really making me think twice. Now, yeah, but Okay, so we're all like contributing to this supreme being, but what does that relationship even look like? Well,

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Sarah 02:24

the Urantia Book uses an image that. surprisingly. I think a lot of us can relate to. It's the idea

of get this apparent Okay, a parent, a parent. Urantia Book talks about God the Father as the source of everything, right? But it describes the supreme as a kind of cosmic parents, specifically as the mother of universes. Okay,

J John 02:44

so if I'm following you, the Father's love is, like the origin point in God the Supreme. She's what nurtures us through, like, our cosmic journey. That's a great way to put it. Okay, cosmic mom looking out for us. I kind of love that. Yeah. But what does that nurturing even look like in practice? Like, are we getting cosmic cookies and milk along the way, or what? Well, it's

S Sarah 03:03

not about, like, literal caretaking, but think about it this way, when we choose kindness, when we express compassion, when we connect with something bigger than ourselves, that's the Father's love right, flowing through us to others, and according to the Urantia Book, that flow that becomes the love of the supreme we are literally the conduit

J John 03:26

that's beautiful. It's not about like conjuring up some perfect love on our own. It's about letting that love flow through us and become part of something so much bigger.

S Sarah 03:35

Yeah, exactly. And you know, the book suggests that encountering this supreme being, it will feel like coming home, like this immense sense of recognition and belonging. Wow. Because think about it, the supreme embodies all finite experience, right? So, in a way, encountering the Supreme is like encountering the universe itself, yeah, and our place in it.

J John 03:55

Okay? Now I've got chills, but I gotta be honest, wrapping my head around a God being, whatever you want to call it, that is constantly being formed, like as we speak, influenced by all of our actions, and I mean, all of them that's a lot. Is it even possible to grasp something that massive with our limited human brains?

S Sarah 04:13

It's a fair question. And while the Urantia Book acknowledges the limits of human understanding, especially when it comes to the infinite father. It does seem to suggest that the Supreme, this being woven from the fabric of our universe is something we are equipped to comprehend. We are, after all, part of it,

J John 04:32
right? We've got an inside track, because we're literally contributing to this being's existence, exactly.

S Sarah 04:38
But here's the thing. And this goes back to that idea of the eternal career, you know, yeah, finding the Supreme. It's not like some sudden lightning bolt of Revelation, okay, I

J John 04:48
was kind of hoping for a lightning bolt. Yeah,

S Sarah 04:50
right. Nothing nice, but no, it's about the journey itself, about growing in truth, beauty and goodness. Just like the Supreme is, it's a process.

J John 04:59
So it's less about having all the answers right now and more about trusting that the journey all the ups and downs, they're leading us to a deeper understanding exactly

S Sarah 05:07
and the text, it drives this point home with a really powerful image. It compares this whole process to a river slowly carving its path. It's steady, it's persistent, and ultimately it's transformative. Okay, yeah, I

J John 05:22
can see that, right? But it's

S Sarah 05:23
not just about reaching some final destination. It's

J John 05:26
about it about who we become along the way. Yes, you got it, okay

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Sarah 05:30

okay, I'm picking up what you're putting down, but, and I know we're gonna get into this more, but there's another layer here we gotta unpack, right? What about our imperfections, our flaws? Where do those fit into a being that's supposed to be like the culmination of everything good and pure and, you know, perfect?

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John 05:47

Now that is where it gets really, really interesting. And it's where this concept of God, the Supreme really challenges a lot of our conventional thinking about, Well, God, and maybe even about ourselves. Okay, yeah, no, that's a great point. And you know what? We are going to dive head first into that right after this. So we're diving into this idea from the Urantia Book, that even our flaws, our imperfections, they all play a role in this grand, cosmic tapestry of God the Supreme. It's a Mind Bender, right? It really is, because it's not exactly how we usually think about God, right? I mean, isn't the goal to, like, overcome our flaws, to strive for some kind of, I don't know, perfection?

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Sarah 06:29

Yeah, that's certainly the traditional view, isn't it? Yes. But remember, the Urantia Book describes God, the Supreme as encompassing all finite experience, not just the, you know, the pretty parts, the struggles, the missteps, the downright messy bits, those are all part of the equation too. Okay,

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John 06:44

so it's not about erasing our so called imperfections, but somehow, like weaving them into something larger. I'm trying to wrap my head around that.

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Sarah 06:52

It's a big idea, for sure, and that's what makes this so fascinating. It's like the supreme isn't just some idealized version of ourselves, but the culmination of who we really are, The Good, the Bad and the Ugly, exactly, all of it. And, you know, there's even a line in the Urantia Book that really gets at this. It says, The Supreme is symmetrically inclusive. Symmetrically inclusive. Yeah, not cherry picking the best bits, but reflecting the wholeness of existence, flaws and all.

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John 07:17

You know, that's strangely reassuring in a way, like it's okay to be human, to mess up, sometimes, to still be a work in progress, and somehow that contributes to something much greater than myself. right? We're

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Sarah 07:31

all in this together, even with our flaws. Okay?

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John 07:33

But that actually brings up another question for me, if all of our choices, if everything about us, is ultimately contributing to this God, the Supreme. Does that mean they're, I don't know, predetermined. Oh, good one. Where does free will fit into all of this? Yeah, if the Supreme is like, the ultimate culmination of everything, does that mean it's all just like playing out some pre written script? Yeah?

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Sarah 07:55

It's a really important point. And this is where the Urantia Book, you know, it really gets into the nuances of free will.

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John 08:02

Okay, good, because I was starting to feel like a puppet here.

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Sarah 08:05

No, you're definitely not a puppet. Remember how we were talking about how the supreme isn't static, but it's constantly becoming, yeah, yeah. Well, our choices, they directly factor into that process of becoming. Wait,

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John 08:16

hold on. So what you're saying is my choices are actually shaping the destiny of this cosmic being,

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Sarah 08:22

in a way. Yes, it's a pretty radical idea, when you think about

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John 08:25

it, that's a pretty big responsibility to lay on a Tuesday afternoon, right? Tell me about it

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Sarah 08:31

and and the text even goes so far as to say that choosing against the eternal career, you know, meaning like turning away from spiritual growth that has a direct impact too, like it can actually hinder the Supremes development. So

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John 08:44

it's not a guarantee this whole thing, it's not a done deal. Exactly

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Sarah 08:46

this isn't predetermination, but it really underscores the weight of our choices, yeah, not just for ourselves, but for, like, the very fabric of reality. No pressure, right? Oh,

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John 08:57

man. Okay, so it's less about a preordained path and more about actively, like CO creating with the cosmos, with God. Wow. This whole conversation makes those choose your own adventure books seem a little less exciting. I'll tell you that. But I have to ask, if this God the Supreme, if it's constantly evolving, where did it all lead? What's that like? The end game,

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Sarah 09:20

that is the billion dollar cosmic question, isn't it? And honestly, the Urantia Book, it doesn't really offer concrete answers when it comes to that. Okay, that's fair. I mean, we're dealing with like, mysteries beyond our full grasp here, but, but it does offer some Well, tantalizing hints.

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John 09:37

Ooh, hints. Yeah, I like hints. Okay, Lay it on me. Remember

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Sarah 09:42

how the Supreme is described as a culmination? Yeah, like the peak, the ultimate? Well, the text seems to imply that this culmination might actually be more of a starting point than an end. Hold

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John 09:52

on, yeah. If the Supreme is the culmination of everything, I mean everything in this finite universe that we know, how could there be something after. To that

universe that we know, now could there be something after. To that.

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Sarah 10:00

Now we're stepping into truly mind bending territory, because the Urantia Book, it introduces this whole other concept, the absinite, the Absinthe, the Absinthe, it's this realm beyond even the finite god. Okay, you've officially lost me. It's a lot. But essentially, the book seems to suggest that once this God, the Supreme Being is fully actualized, it then embarks on its own journey into this Absinthe realm. Hold on. So it doesn't just stop existing. No, it carries the entirety of our finite experience along with it.

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John 10:32

So this grand cosmic adventure, it's not a closed loop. It doesn't seem like it. There's a bigger story unfolding, one that we can't even really grasp right now. That

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Sarah 10:40

seems to be what the Urantia Book is getting at. And here's where it gets really personal, I think. Okay, the Urantia Book links our destiny, our destiny as evolving beings, to this ABS tonight, Journey of the Supreme. Okay,

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John 10:53

you're gonna have to elaborate on that one. How are we connected to this, this Absinthe journey?

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Sarah 10:57

Well, the text suggests that as we progress, as we, you know, grow closer to the Father through those choices we were talking about, we actually play a part in the Supremes own evolution towards this ultimate unknown. So it's

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John 11:10

not just about us, like striving for some static idea of heaven, like we get to heaven and then what sit on clouds and play harps for eternity. It doesn't seem like it. It's about being part of this constant unfolding, this journey of discovery that extends even beyond the Supreme, beyond the Absinthe, maybe even beyond what we can currently

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Sarah 11:29

even fathom. You got it. That's the grand adventure. Okay, I'm

J John 11:32

trying to wrap my mind around all of this. But how do we even begin to comprehend something as vast as the Absinthe? I mean, we've got our work cut out for us. Yeah. Okay, so the absinite, this realm that exists even beyond, like our very concept of God, beyond comprehension, really, I gotta say, it's stretching my imagination pretty far, even for me. But endgame, if you are, is there anything, anything at all, in our experience that could even hint at what this Absinthe might be like.

S Sarah 12:02

It's true, we're really peering into a mystery here. But, you know, the Urantia Book does point to those moments of like cosmic consciousness. I think it calls them okay, where we get these, you know, these fleeting glimpses of something more, something beyond our ordinary understanding. You

J John 12:17

know what? I think we've all had those moments, those flashes of something bigger. Maybe it's out in nature or listening to a piece of music that, just like, moves your soul, or even, you know, in a moment of deep connection with another person, there's this awe, this sense of being part of something so much bigger than yourself. Could those be, those hints, those glimpses of the abstinent breaking through?

S Sarah 12:39

It's a beautiful thought, and, you know, maybe they're more than just feelings. The Urantia Book seems to suggest that maybe, just maybe, these experiences are like breadcrumbs on the cosmic path, guiding us towards that ultimate reality that the Supreme, this God, the Supreme, is striving towards itself.

J John 12:56

I love that breadcrumbs on the cosmic path. It's reassuring, you know, like we're not totally lost in the woods here, right

S Sarah 13:02

exactly, there's

J John 13:04

— And it's even if you don't see where it leads, it suggests that you know, maybe not alone on this

a trail, even if we can't see where it leads. It suggests that, you know, we're not alone on this journey, that there's this incredible story unfolding, this cosmic drama, and we each have a part to play in it, and what a

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Sarah 13:16

story it is. I mean, we've been on quite a journey ourselves. Just in this conversation, we've been exploring this idea of a God who is constantly evolving, who embraces the entirety of our finite experience, literally everything, every triumph, every struggle, every you know, awkward phase.

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John 13:31

Oh, man, don't remind me, and who is on this incredible

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Sarah 13:35

journey, this ABS night, journey into realms beyond, like, beyond anything we can currently even comprehend.

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John 13:42

Mind blowing is an understatement. But if there's one thing, one thing I'm taking away from this deep dive is that we're not just passive bystanders in this whole cosmic drama. We're not just watching from the sidelines. We have an active role to play in the evolution of this God, this supreme being. We are participants, co creators. It's both humbling and empowering. You know? It means that our lives have meaning, not just here in our own little worlds, but on this grand, cosmic scale that even the smallest acts of love, of kindness, of striving to be better versions of ourselves, they all become threads in the tapestry of the supreme

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Sarah 14:16

beautifully said and ultimately, that's the heart of this whole concept, isn't it? It's a call to embrace the fullness of who we are, imperfections and all to live our lives with purpose and to trust that even amidst all this uncertainty, all this vastness, we're part of something truly, truly extraordinary. We are part of a cosmic adventure that extends far, far beyond anything we can currently even imagine, unfolding alongside a God who is becoming right along with us, kind of

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John 14:44

takes your breath away, doesn't it? And on that note, I think we're gonna have to wrap up this deep dive. But for everyone listening, I hope, I really hope, this conversation inspires you to keep exploring the Urantia Book, to keep pondering these big, big questions, and to keep seeking, to keep growing and to keep diving deep. Until next time everyone.

