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SPEAKERS

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John 00:00

Ready for a wild ride. Today we're diving headfirst into the Urantia Book in its mind blowing view of, well, the whole shebang. We're not just talking galaxies here, but an absolutely massive structure, like how everything works, planets, stars, beings. You wouldn't believe



Sarah 00:15

it really is incredible, the scope of it. What grabs me about the Urantia Book is it doesn't just describe the physical universe. You know, it goes way beyond that. Weaving in all these intricate spiritual concepts these celestial beings is fascinating. Okay, so



John 00:29

the urangi book is pretty detailed, right? Like it maps out this whole hierarchy. Can you give us a tour? Let's start small, like us here on Earth, and work our way up. What really struck you as you were going through this cosmic organization? You know,



Sarah 00:41

it's the sheer scale of it that always gets me imagine this. It starts with individual planets, like our little earth here, and from there, it just expands outward, solar systems, constellations, local universes, and it keeps going all the way up to these colossal structures called Super universes. Super universes. Okay,





John 00:57

now we're talking but how many earths are we talking about here? In this grand scheme of things, get ready,



Sarah 01:01

because the Urantia Book claims our super universe alone, called orvonton, cool name, right, contains trillions of inhabited worlds. Trillions. To give you an idea of what that means, we're talking more planets than there are grains of sand on every beach on earth combined. Whoa,



John 01:20

hold on trillions. So that tiny speck of light in the night sky that's not just a star that could be a whole solar system, maybe even teeming with life,



Sarah 01:29

that's exactly what the Urantia Book suggests. It takes those amazing images we get from telescopes all those stars and galaxies, and makes them feel alive, full of purpose, on a scale that's almost impossible to grasp, even though spiral galaxies, astronomers are always looking at, you know, the ones. They started as swirling clouds of gas and dust, nebulae, the birthplaces of stars and planets our solar system born from a nebula billions of years ago.



John 01:57

And get this, and you're not going to believe this. The Urantia Book actually lays out 10 different ways suns and planets can be formed, 10 in school, they only teach you one way. What's up with that



Sarah 02:06

shows you how much we don't know about the universe, right? It's like the Urantia Book is saying, Hey, we've barely scratched the surface of what's possible. Okay,



John 02:13

so we've got nebulae forming into suns and planets, but how do we get from there all the way up to a super universe? It's like trying to imagine building a skyscraper out of grains of sand, right?



Sarah 02:24

It's like a giant cosmic jigsaw puzzle. Here's how it goes. About 1000 habitable planets will form

a local system. Then take 100 of those systems, and boom, you've got a constellation.

J John 02:37

Okay? Thing of falling so far, local systems, constellations. It's like levels in a video game, but instead of fighting monsters, we're talking about stars and planets Exactly.

S Sarah 02:46

And it just keeps scaling up. 100 of those constellations get together form a local universe. But hold on, because this is still just one small piece of the puzzle. Wait,

J John 02:54

just a local universe. How many are there? And where does our own Milky Way fit into all of this?

S Sarah 02:59

Ah, now you're getting to the good stuff. You see, you need 100 local universes to form a minor sector. And get this, you need 100 of those minor sectors to make a major sector. Finally, picture 10 of these huge, major sectors. That is what makes up a single super universe. Okay,

J John 03:17

my head is officially spinning, just to be clear, we're talking about millions of universes like our own, all organized within this one structure.

S Sarah 03:23

You got it. And it gets even wilder. The Urantia Book calls our super universe, orvonton, a partially completed physical creation. Makes you wonder, what else is out there, still being formed in the vastness of space, partially

J John 03:37

completed. You mean, even the super universe isn't the end of it? Well, that's kind of terrifying, but also fascinating. What's really interesting to me is this organization, this intentionality behind it all. This isn't just a random collection of stars and planets, right? There's a structure here, almost like a blueprint, and that's

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Sarah 03:55

where things get really intriguing, this level of complexity, this cosmic architecture, it makes you wonder, Who or what is the architect, who or what is calling the shots in this grand universal design, right? So

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John 04:09

we've got this mind blowingly complex structure, this grand universe with trillions upon trillions of worlds, but who's running the show? I mean, you can't just have all those planets and stars without someone keeping the cosmic lights on Exactly,

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Sarah 04:21

and that's where the Urantia books concept of celestial beings comes in. It's not just about physical laws and forces, but a whole hierarchy of beings who oversee and guide the universe, each with their own specific roles and responsibilities.

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John 04:35

Okay, so we're talking about beings that some might call angels or gods and other systems of thought. But what are they actually called in the book?

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Sarah 04:44

Well, the Urantia Book gets pretty specific with its terminology, which I have to admit, I kind of love. It's like diving into a whole new language. For instance, at the planetary level, you have planetary princes like caligastia, who was assigned to, you guessed it, Urantia.

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John 04:57

Wait, hold on. Our little Earth had its own death. Designated planetary Prince. That's incredible. What happened to him? Don't leave me hanging. This is starting to sound like a cosmic soap opera. Laughs. Well, let's

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Sarah 05:07

just say it didn't exactly go as planned. According to the Urantia Book, this caligastia got caught up in a rebellion led by Lucifer, who was a higher ranking Celestial Being. They call it the Lucifer rebellion, and it had some pretty significant consequences for earth and its inhabitants. Whoa,

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John 05:24

a rebellion. Okay, now I need to know everything. Who were they rebelling against? And more importantly, who or what has the authority to even think about handling a rebellion on a cosmic scale?

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Sarah 05:36

So the book describes it as a rebellion against the established order of the grand universe, what you might call the divine plan. And the beings with the authority to deal with something like that are those higher up in the celestial hierarchy. Ultimately, it leads all the way to the top, to what the Urantia Book calls the Trinity, the Universal Father, the eternal Son and the Infinite Spirit.

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John 05:56

Okay, so we've got this cosmic government, this spiritual hierarchy. It's starting to sound more organized than some countries, I know, but what are they actually doing on a day to day basis? What's their job description?

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Sarah 06:07

That's a great question, and the Urantia Book provides some fascinating insights. On a broad level, these celestial beings are described as facilitators of spiritual growth and evolution. They're not micromanaging our lives or anything, but they are involved in guiding the overall development of individuals, planets and even entire universes toward a state of greater harmony and spiritual attainment.

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John 06:31

Spiritual attainment. What does that even look like on a cosmic scale? Is the whole universe trying to, like, reach enlightenment or something?

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Sarah 06:38

Laughs in a way you could say that the book emphasizes this beautiful idea of interconnectedness, that every individual's spiritual journey, no matter how small it may seem, actually contributes to the overall evolution of the universe, like we're all in this together, you know?

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John 06:53

So we're all little cogs in this giant cosmic machine, all striving for something bigger than ourselves. I like that. But if that's the case, what about free will? Do we have any say in this grand cosmic plan, or are we just along for the ride?

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Sarah 07:09

That's where it gets really interesting. The Urantia Book definitely emphasizes the importance of free will. It even states that these celestial beings are not exempt from the consequences of their own choices, as evidenced by the whole Lucifer rebellion story. So

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John 07:23

even with his cosmic plan, this universal order, there's still room for chaos, for rebellion, for individuals to make their own choices and face the consequences. That's pretty intense,

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Sarah 07:32

it is, and it gets even more profound. The book suggests that these choices, these acts of free will, they're not just individual matters, they have ripple effects throughout the cosmos, impacting the spiritual evolution of the entire universe. Oh, okay,

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John 07:46

so our choices matter, even on a cosmic scale, that's a lot of pressure, but it's also incredibly empowering. Don't you think knowing that even our smallest actions can have far reaching consequences,

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Sarah 07:58

absolutely, it really highlights the interconnectedness of everything in the universe and underscores the significance of our own spiritual growth and the choices we make along the way. It's a big responsibility, but also an incredible opportunity. Wouldn't you say,

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John 08:11

okay, you've really blown my mind here. We're talking trillions of beings all making choices that ripple through this interconnected cosmos. It's beautiful, but I have to ask, How does anyone keep track of it all? Is there some kind of cosmic spreadsheet somewhere tracking everyone's spiritual progress? A

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Sarah 08:28

spreadsheet? I doubt it, but the Urantia Book does describe a pretty amazing system of cosmic administration. Remember those major and minor sectors we talked about? Well, each of them has its own headquarters, worlds governing bodies, you know, centers of cosmic administration, where these celestial beings get together to well, run the universe.



John 08:47

So I cosmic capitals with sentence and everything, Sign me up. Laughs,



Sarah 08:51

something like that. The book calls them architectural spheres, designed for administration and spiritual guidance. It's not just a random assortment of planets. It's deliberate, organized. What really gets me is the detail the Urantia Book goes into describing these fears, like our local system, say Tonya has a headquarters called Jerusalem. Jerusalem,



John 09:12

okay, adding that to my cosmic travel bucket list. So what's it like? Are we talking celestial Starbucks and intergalactic shopping malls?



Sarah 09:20

Laughs, probably not. The book describes it as this incredibly beautiful place, super advanced civilization. It even has these satellite worlds dedicated to things like transition culture and merantia detention, Meranti



John 09:35

detention. Okay, now I have to know more that sounds a little intimidating, is that like cosmic jail? Do they send you there if you forget to recycle your cosmic energy or something, it's less,



Sarah 09:43

no, not exactly. It's more like, think of morontia detention as a realm of reflection, a place of learning. It's not about punishment, but more about giving souls the time and space they need to process their experiences, continue their spiritual growth. The Urantia Book said. It's a natural part of the soul's journey, like a cosmic reset, if you will, a cosmic



John 10:04

reset, huh? Yeah, that's something I think we could all use. Sometimes I'm picturing it now, cosmic meditation retreats, workshops on interdimensional diplomacy, maybe a little zero gravity yoga on the side. But seriously, if we could zoom out for a second look at this cosmic administration. What does the Urantia Book say is the ultimate destination for all of this is there's some grand finale to the cosmic play

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Sarah 10:25

the age old question. It's something that's captivated theologians and philosophers and scientists for centuries, right? And the Urantia Book offers a really unique perspective. Here. It talks about this never ending process, spiritual evolution, ascension. It's not so much about reaching some final destination, but about embracing the journey itself,

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John 10:45

never ending, huh? So no sitting on a cloud strumming a harp for all eternity. What does this ongoing evolution even look like? According to the book? Well, the

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Sarah 10:54

ranty book describes these progressively higher levels of existence, higher understanding, and it culminates in something it calls the Supreme Being. But here's the thing, it's not a static God, you know, already complete. It's this dynamic, evolving entity that embodies the collective spiritual progress of everything, all of creation. Just imagine that the entire universe and all its vastness contributing to the emergence of something truly awe inspiring.

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John 11:20

Wow. So the Supreme Being is still evolving, still becoming that's a pretty radical concept. Makes our human ideas of God seem well, kind of small. Don't you think

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Sarah 11:30

it definitely challenges our conventional understanding. It suggests that the universe, even the divine, isn't fixed or absolute. It's in a constant state of Growth, transformation. And what I find so exciting about that idea is that it leaves room for infinite possibilities. It's a journey without end, full of wonder, discovery, this endless potential for spiritual growth.

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John 11:50

You know, after diving into the Urantia Book with you today, I'm feeling a whole new sense of awe and wonder about the universe. It's vast and complex, but also incredibly purposeful, full full of love, even in the face of chaos and rebellion. Absolutely,

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Sarah 12:03

whether you approach the Urantia Book as a source of spiritual inspiration or simply a fascinating work of imaginative fiction, it offers such a unique perspective on our place in the cosmos. It's a good reminder that we're part of something much bigger than ourselves,

something truly awe inspiring, and



John 12:19

that's what the deep dive is all about, isn't it? Taking a deep breath, plunging headfirst into the unknown. So until next time, keep exploring, keep questioning and keep searching for those little sparks of wonder that remind us of the vastness and beauty of the universe. We're all a part of you.