

Part 2, Paper 48, The Morontia Life, Archangel

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John, Sarah

S Sarah 00:00
Ever wonder what happens after you know we're gone after this life?

J John 00:05
It's a question that has captivated humanity for as long as we've been around Exactly.

S Sarah 00:09
And thankfully, we've got some fascinating insights to dive into today. Thanks to your suggestions, we're taking a deep dive into the Urantia book's take on the afterlife, specifically paper 48 which talks about the morontia life, right? The morontia life not your typical Sunday school stuff. This is some next level cosmology. It

J John 00:28
certainly is. The Urantia Book goes into great detail, tainting this incredibly vivid picture. So for

S Sarah 00:35
those of us just tuning in, can you give us a quick rundown of what the morontia life actually is? Well, imagine

J John 00:40
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It like this, when we leave this earthly plane, the Grantha Book suggests we don't just immediately transform into these purely spiritual beings. It's a process, a journey, a journey, and the muranchia life, that's the bridge. It's the link between our material existence and the fully spiritual realms. And it's

S Sarah 00:59

not just a quick hop over a river, right? The book mentions something like 570 merantia transformations, 570

John 01:06

it's a concept that definitely captures the imagination. That's

S Sarah 01:10

a lot of upgrades. So what exactly are these transformations? What's changing?

J John 01:15

It's not just about our consciousness evolving, though, of course, that's a huge part of it, right? But the Urantia Book also suggests we take on new forms, what it calls merantia bodies, romantia bodies, okay, these bodies, they're designed to help us experience and interact with these increasingly refined levels of reality. It's like, like leveling up in a video game. As you progress, you need new equipment, right? New abilities to navigate these higher levels.

S Sarah 01:38

So our ability to experience reality itself. It's expanding. Wow.

J John 01:43

And what's interesting is this concept, I mean, it echoes in other spiritual traditions too, doesn't it? It does.

S Sarah 01:49

Even the apostle Paul hinted at this writing about a better and more enduring substance in heaven. The rantia book, it takes this concept and flushes it out in amazing detail. It

J John 01:59

really does. And these morontia bodies, do we have any sense of what it actually feels like to inhabit these forms? Are there descriptions?

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Sarah 02:07

Well, the book acknowledges that human language, it kind of falls short when you're trying to describe experiences beyond our current comprehension, right, beyond our understanding. But what it does suggest is that these morontia bodies are progressively less material, less

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John 02:22

physical, right, and more aligned with our evolving minds, our evolving spirits, we might find ourselves capable of, well, interacting with both the physical and spiritual realms in ways we can only imagine right now.

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Sarah 02:34

Now that is a thought. It opens up so many questions. Speaking of questions we can't forget, the Urantia Book mentions that we're not alone in this journey. Like it's not just us cosmic tourists, right? There's a whole cast of characters we encounter. Meron chia, power supervisors, companions, even beings dedicated to humor and recreation, which I love. It's like a cosmic support system, it is. So let's unpack that a bit. Who are these cosmic companions and what are their roles in all of this?

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John 03:02

Well, let's start with those marantia Power supervisors. They're described as well imagine them as the architects of sorts. They oversee the energy forms and environments we experience in the morontia life.

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Sarah 03:13

So they're the ones essentially designing those 570 mirantia bodies.

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John 03:18

You could say that the book talks about their deep wisdom, how they collaborate with even higher spiritual beings in this process. Wow. It's

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Sarah 03:27

mind boggling when you really think about the level of detail involved. Talk about personalized service, right? Absolutely. But then on top of that, we have the morontia companions. They

sound like the ultimate Welcome Wagon.

J John 03:37

They're really remarkable. Imagine having a guide, a teacher, a confidant, all rolled into one, and they're dedicated to helping you adjust, helping you thrive in this new reality.

S Sarah 03:47

That's amazing. So they're there to answer your questions, help you understand the nuances of the morontial life. What else they

J John 03:54

even introduce you to other beings. Facilitate experiences. They're like cosmic travel agents, in a way, arranging encounters experiences, all designed to help you grow, to help you evolve. Sign

S Sarah 04:05

me up for that travel agency. But okay, I have to ask about this, because it really stood out to me. The Urantia Book mentions beings dedicated to humor and recreation reversion directors. They're called, yes, I mean, that doesn't sound very you know, spiritual at first glance. Don't

J John 04:22

the name fool you. The Urantia Book, it emphasizes the importance of joy, laughter, even in the afterlife, really, oh, absolutely, yeah. These reversion directors, they help us to not take ourselves too seriously. They remind us of the humor in our past struggles. You know, encourage a lighter perspective as we continue our journey. It's about

S Sarah 04:41

finding that balance, right? The merantia life. It's not all serious spiritual study. It's about embracing joy, connection, even, like you said, a little cosmic laughter, exactly.

J John 04:50

And this actually ties into this idea of the curriculum of the soul that the Urantia Book talks about. Yeah, it's not about traditional classroom learning. Though we're talking about developing qualities of character, honesty, patience, courage, the ability to find joy in effort,

S Sarah 05:08
a curriculum of the soul that sounds, I don't know, pretty intense. Where do we even sign up for that?

J John 05:13
Well, according to the Urantia Book, there are these places called mansion worlds. Think of them as vibrant learning centers, but not in the traditional sense, not

S Sarah 05:23
like classrooms and pop quizzes on the afterlife, not quite these

J John 05:27
mansion worlds are where we delve into these deeper aspects of ourselves.

S Sarah 05:31
So it's not just about, like head knowledge. It's about actually embodying these virtues Exactly.

J John 05:36
It's one thing to read about patients. It's another thing entirely to, you know, actually live it.

S Sarah 05:41
And how does that work? Exactly, I mean, how do you learn patience or courage on like a cosmic level? Well,

J John 05:47
remember those 570 morontia transformations we talked about each stage it presents these opportunities, these challenges, that help us refine those qualities. So

S Sarah 05:56
it's all part of the process, and we're not just left to figure it out on our own right. We've got those morontia companions there to guide us

J John 06:04
exactly. They're with us every step of the way, offering support, guidance. It's like having the ultimate life coach.

S Sarah 06:11
I like the sound of that. So it really is an active journey, not just a passive float on a cloud kind of existence. Absolutely

J John 06:17
not. The Urantia Book even warns against procrastination, believe it or not, now hitting

S Sarah 06:21
the snooze button in the afterlife. That's good to know, right? But it's also important

J John 06:25
to remember this isn't meant to be, you know, grueling or anything. The Urantia Book emphasizes the joy of discovery, the thrill of expanding your mind, your spirit. It's about embracing the fullness of experience. You know, the challenges and the triumphs. I

S Sarah 06:41
love that and this curriculum, it's not just a, I don't know, a random assortment of self help topics. Is it the Urantia Book actually mentions three specific branches of study, right? It does? It

J John 06:51
talks about cultivating the mind through thinking, of course, okay, so that's one. Then there's refining our emotional capacity through feeling okay, and finally, learning to act with wisdom and compassion through doing

S Sarah 07:03
so it's this really holistic approach looking at the whole picture of who we are, thinking, feeling, doing. It makes you wonder about the practical implications of this education. Like earlier, we touched on the idea that it prepares us for roles in get this managing and ministering to the

universe. That's quite a concept. It is. What do you think the Urantia Book means by that? Are we talking about like cosmic administration, galactic social work? It's

J John 07:30

hard to say for sure, right? I mean, the specifics are well beyond our current understanding, that's for sure. But I think it speaks to this idea that our individual growth, it's all connected to something much larger.

S Sarah 07:41

We're not just isolated beings off on our own little spiritual journey. Right

J John 07:45

as we cultivate wisdom, compassion, the ability to act effectively, it's like we're being equipped to play a role in the evolution of the universe itself.

S Sarah 07:54

So it's not just about our own personal enlightenment. Then there's this idea of service, of contributing to something far greater than ourselves. Exactly,

J John 08:02

it really makes you think differently about this earthly experience, doesn't it? It does

S Sarah 08:07

like it's a training ground, in a way, preparing us for something truly remarkable. That's a great way to put it. The Urantia Book, it offers this truly mind blowing vision of the afterlife, one that, yeah, it challenges us to think bigger, to embrace these infinite possibilities. But more than that, it reminds us that this life, it matters, and it does, the choices we make, the qualities we cultivate. It's all part of this grand adventure, this journey of growth and service and endless discovery, and it all starts right here, right now.