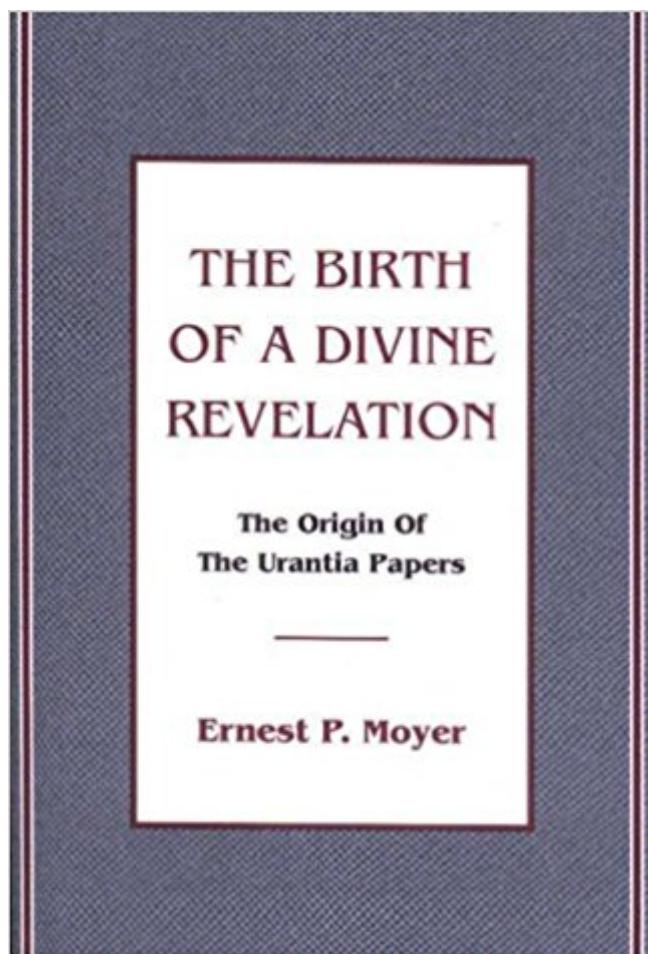


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The Birth Of A Divine Revelation : The Origin Of The Urantia Papers



Synopsis

Report on the origins of the Urantia Papers. Describes the evolution of events which led to the Papers. Includes biography of William Sadler, the human agent, an account of an associated group, (the Forum), and discussion of threats to the Revelation before it was published.. Offers a wealth of detail heretofore unpublished. Original scholarly research.

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Through a series of unusual events the author came to recognize that our planet is experiencing celestial visitations today, and that this world is under the supervision of agencies which report directly to our Creator. As a result of these discoveries he had a striking spiritual experience late in 1967. Since that time he has devoted his energies to the study and purpose of revelation.

From Chapter 1: A man wanted to know the difference between Edgar Cayce, the so-called Sleeping Prophet, and the Sleeping Subject described by William Sadler in the Appendix to his book, The Mind At Mischief. The latter was suspected of being involved in the creation of The Urantia Papers. I shall describe the sequence of events which led Sadler to investigate the behavior of the Sleeping Subject, how that relationship developed into The Urantia Papers, and why Edgar Cayce could not have been the Sleeping Subject.

A must read for Urantia Book students, as it is one of only a few in-depth studies & research into the Urantia Foundation members and the actual Revelations reception. It is collated as a Logue of

events pertaining to the reception of the Revelation, heavily appended, rather than a flowing read, with the Author failing in his attempt to not add or take away from the contents of the actual Revelation by endorsing his own opinions. Introduces Urantia Book students to the Custodial battle that has thwarted its reception. Therefore as an in-depth but in-complete study, of Urantia Foundation members and particulars of the Revelations arrival, it is deserving of an A. All opinions cast by the Author regarding the Revelations contents, should be viewed with a knowledge of the Authors background. Should be read in Conjunction with the Urantia Book.

I believe one would have to be well educated in Urantia Book folklore in order to get the most out of this one. It is an interesting read but may not prove its point as much as raise more questions! There are some great stories and cross references contained in the text. It's obvious a great deal of thought and research went into the writing of it.

This book is for anyone who wants to know the inside workings of bringing The Urantia Book to the masses. It is informative but tedious to read. All I can say is to take the book at face value and love it as a gift from God, as it is intended. What has been changed or proven false from the scientific point of view is minimal and not important. The Urantia book is as perfect as human hands could make it.

The most informative and in-depth researched document I have read in quite a while. And as it pertains to my favorite book, no one could have made me happier. Thank you and view my web site [...] Sincerely, Reverend Michael Yaknowski

Intelligent and mature truth seekers will be thrilled by the information revealed and discussed in depth, including the lost history and information on the life of Jesus with new parables and epic story lines that we can draw strength from and find new meaning. To sum, regardless of your religious inclinations nor scientific background, the UB and the study guides are a great assist to making sense of our short time on Earth. If you are noble and wise, you will come away with a sense of awe, inspiration and a renewed purpose, ready to live each day of your life with the sense of joy and meaning that God intended. After reading part of the Urantia Book (UB), I became so intrigued by the divine inspirations revealed that I wanted to learn more, so I made the mistake of checking out the Gardner book at my library, thinking that I could learn more about the early days of the movement. Despite my determination, I could barely make it through the first 100 pages as I quickly lost interest in the uninspired ramblings and false associations about people only loosely associated

with the Sadler family. If one remembers that the Sadlers spent their life helping the needy and were well commissioned in society, Gardner didn't need to dig very deep to find a few bad apples known by the Sadlers, and he fully relies on a few random acquaintances of this pious family to make the ridiculous correlation that the book is nothing short of plagiarism. It's important to note that for such a bold preface, Gardner doesn't quote any of these supposed resources he claims were relied upon for compiling the "2087 page tome" we know as The Urantia Book. Gardner essentially makes the claim that the Urantia miracle is nothing less than a hoax, offering his personal opinions and assumptions sprinkled with plenty of sensational verbiage such as "I'm convinced that..." or "It's evident that..." with little or no factual evidence to back up those convictions. He admits his interest in numerology led him to investigate his imagined relationship with the number seven and the 7th Day Adventists, spending enormous energy trying to convince the reader that this digit - as well as prime digits and those numbers which are divisible by 7 - is mentioned with more frequency than would naturally or randomly occur. Why this is interesting to note or of any consequence isn't discussed, so the intelligent reader feels cheated by the inference since the rhetoric doesn't lead to any conclusion, believable or otherwise. So unless the reader is extremely interested in the randomness of large numbers divisible by 7, a good portion of the book is wasted on the personal musings of an author who reminds me of the autistic character played by Dustin Hoffman in Rain Man. I'm surprised with 74 reviews thus far (shock value -- the number 7 yet again!) his book has actually earned a 2-star rating! He must have a large family, or access to a host of IP addresses. My advice would be to avoid the huge helping of negative rhetoric and avoid the naysayers and definitely read the Urantia papers, which would include this book you are considering and all other study materials. You can review audio and text versions of the book for free on the Urantia Foundation's website, but you'll definitely want to own the book for reference and note taking.

There is little sense in going back and forth about the mystery of the Urantia Book. It is either of celestial origin or it is not. I'm confident that many of those that actually met and listened to Jesus posed a similar question to themselves as they pondered the teachings of this unusual man. Whatever conclusion you come to, the Urantia Book is nothing short of miraculous. Try for yourself writing an essay about the nature of God or the ramifications of living amongst free will creatures. The Urantia Book is far removed from New Age type answers to age old questions. Rather, it provides remarkable explanations to many things that you come to find you had often wondered about. Moyer delivers his points with passion and personal conviction. It doesn't trouble me in the

slightest if I disagree with some of his conclusions. The research and interpretation thereof are well worth the time spent reading this fascinating book. The Urantia Book is best approached as a vehicle from which man can search for meaning, not a book where one arrives at a set of definitive conclusions.

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