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phantom dreams and fairy tales

"all scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness." 2 tim 3:16

so do you believe the bible to be the inerrant, inspired word of God? one might say they believe in Jesus Christ but the bible is just full of fairy tales and folklore - imaginary things meant to only convey a lesson.

after all, do you really believe a single man built a boat large enough, gathered two of every creature and enough provisions to last while the entire world was deluged by water? and all this when it had supposedly never rained before. (gen 7)

do you really believe a dumb animal (a donkey), spoke out loud and offered a word of rebuke to a living man? (2 pet 2:16)

do you really believe God made the sun and moon stand still for about a whole day just so a people could extract revenge on their enemies? (jos 10:13-14)

oh yes, and how about God parting the red sea so His people could stroll right through while the egyptians attempting to follow were all drowned. exo 14:16-17

i believe all this and more. i believe the whole bible to be the inerrant, inspired word of God - at least

written in it's original hebrew language, respecting that some translations may have erred in their interpretation. (and no, that's not to say that only the king james version is the acceptable one.) the Word of God is spirit and it transcends the essence of words into spirit. that doesn't diminish or make any of these "stories" less plausible. it makes them miraculous.

i believe these stories because i also believe "the" story. the story that one man can and did die for the sins of the whole world. He imparted His righteousness to us. it only takes a simple act of contrition and faith in His sacrifice. it's trusting the fact that He can make the necessary changes in our fallen nature to reflect our renewed will.

"for what i will to do, that i do not practice; but what i hate, that do... o wretched man that i am! who will deliver me from this body of death?" rom 8:15,24 it is all those phantom dreams and fairy tales that will deliver us from this body of death. it is a God so full of mercy and love that He chose to suffer so fellowship with Him could be maintained.

you see, sin stepped in and interrupted our walks and fellowship with Him. we were His prize creation and thanks to His grace, we will be again. even now His vivid imagination is busy anticipating the new world and experiences He will prepare for those who love Him. His is a love no earthly parent could ever give or feel.

i have often wondered why satan would be set loose

again after our Lord's thousand year reign. (i think those of us who love the Lord would like to see satan delivered to the pit at our Lord's arrival.) even after a thousand years of God's perfect dominion, many will still seek the darker things and the final battle between good and evil will ensue. man once again will have to make a choice between light and darkness. it's a decision that determines where eternity will be spent. each shall spend it with what they most loved in this life. "and this is the condemnation, that the light has come into the world, and men loved darkness rather than light, because their deeds were evil." john 3:19

"one thing i have desired of the Lord, that will i seek: that i may dwell in the house of the Lord all the days of my life, to behold the beauty of the Lord, and to inquire in His temple." psa 27:4 yes, i believe in the whole word of God, no holds barred and i'm gonna have a talk with noah, moses, joshua and all those who witnessed such deeds when time existed. after all, we'll have forever to discuss it; it and all His wonders.