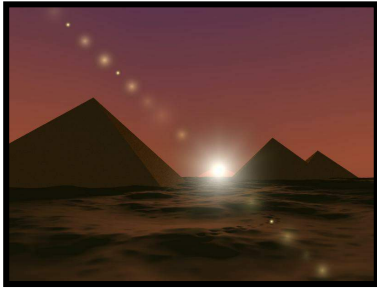




The Great Pyramid - God's Message Board?

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When we talk about the Bible, we talk about a book that is ancient, compiled over 1,500 years by many writers and many wonder how it is possible to believe in such a book. Today, we will look into the Bible, by not looking into the Bible - instead we will look into the world's oldest building - the Great Pyramid - to see what kind of story it has to tell us and if it, the oldest building, has a connection with the ancient book we know as the Bible. Today we will be on a journey of discovery - a sensational journey that will reveal facts of such magnitude that they might take your breath away! This is one program you do not want to miss! Is the Great Pyramid God's Message Board?

Just how big is the Great Pyramid?



Let's begin by trying to get a grasp on the pure magnitude of the Great Pyramid.

 **Not Built With Ancient Technology, Documentary: *Were Pyramids Built By Aliens?***

- 42 stories high
- Covers an area of ten football fields
- Contains 2.5 million intricately fitted stone blocks, weighing from 2.5 to 120 tons each

 **The Magnitude of the Great Pyramid, Documentary: *The Great Pyramid Ancient Wonder, Modern Mystery***

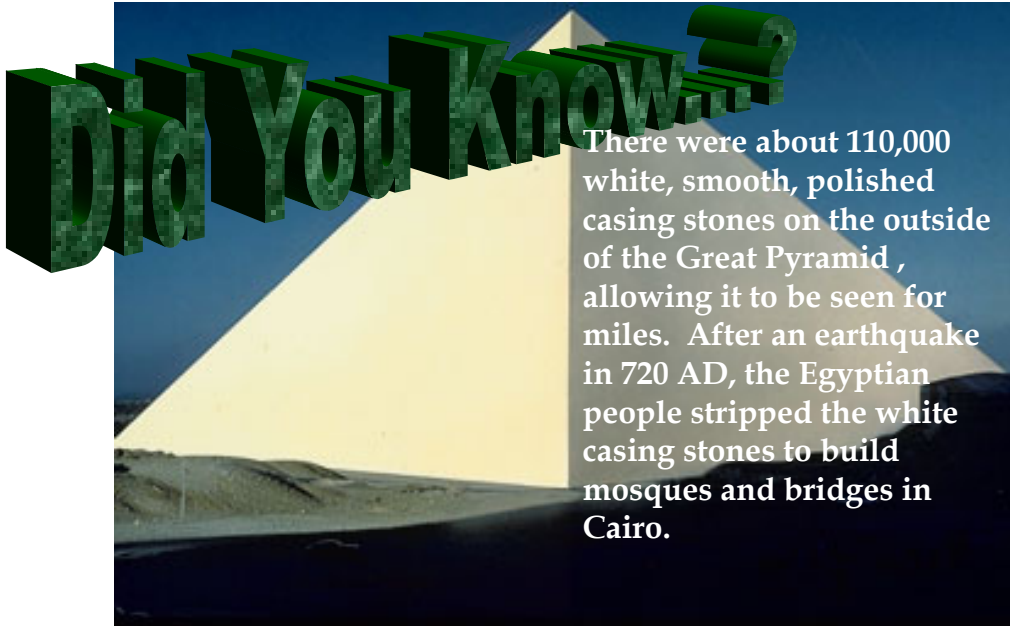
- Contains enough stone to build a sidewalk around the world
- Contains enough stone to pave a highway from New York City to Chicago or construct 20 Empire State Buildings



There is no building older than the Great Pyramid. Over a million and a half sunrises have risen on the Great Pyramid - about 4,000 years. The size of it begs the question, how was it built?

A Masterpiece of Construction, *The Great Pyramid Ancient Wonder, Modern Mystery*

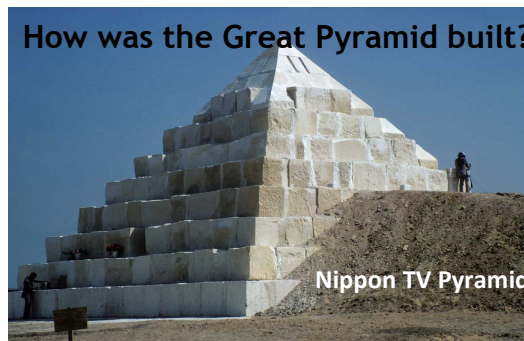
- *Strong mortar filled the joints*
- *Only 1/50th of an inch separated each casing block*
- *James Fergusson's History of Architecture: "Nothing more perfect mechanically has ever been erected."*



Each casing stone averages 20,000-36,000 pounds (about 120 tons). They are all cut at a 52-degree angle and fit together like pieces in a jigsaw puzzle. The mortar in the joints is stronger than the stone itself! The Great Pyramid is so large, it can be seen from space!

Psalms 8:1-4: (NASB) ¹O LORD, our Lord, how majestic is Your name in all the earth, who have displayed Your splendor above the heavens! ²From the mouth of infants and nursing babes You have established strength because of Your adversaries, to make the enemy and the revengeful cease. ³When I consider Your heavens, the work of Your fingers, the moon and the stars, which You have ordained; ⁴what is man that You take thought of him, and the son of man that You care for him?

How was the Great Pyramid built?



Japanese Pyramid Project, *The Great Pyramid Ancient Wonder, Modern Mystery*

- *In 1978, Nippon TV commissioned the building of a small pyramid near Giza; findings were aired on Japanese television.*
- *The purpose was to test the theories of how the pyramid was built.*



Could Not Be Built in Twenty Years, Were Pyramids Built By Aliens?

- *The historian Herodotus wrote there were consistently 100,000 people over 20 years working the project;*
- *If so, it would mean one stone set every 3.5 minutes, 24 hours per day for 20 years.*



We believe that it *could* have been done in twenty years, but with an additional ten years for quarrying and planning. The Helwan Quarries about 20 miles east of the Great Pyramid were used for most of the stones. The 120-ton stones were quarried 500 miles away from Aswan, Egypt, and then floated on barges to



get to the Great Pyramid. Eventually they would be put in place 120 feet off the ground. Think of the planning that had to happen in order to make this happen!

What tools and mechanical devices were used to build this miracle?

Not with Primitive Tools, Were Pyramids Built By Aliens?

- *Stone and copper tools could not do the job;*
- *There were no wheels, no pulleys, surveying equipment, winches, derricks or block and tackle;*
- *Only mechanical devices they had were the lever, roller, and inclined plane*

After researching, we believe it *could* have been done with these tools, and others. We know they also had, for example, jewel-toothed saws based on the marks still left on some of the red granite polished stones in the King' Chamber. As another example, the air passages in the Queen's Chamber opened in 1872. Iron tools were found behind the passages, left over from the builders. They had more advanced tools than we give them credit for.

How were such massive stones lifted and set in place?



Search "Stonehenge Michigan" - Wally Wallington moves massive blocks using simple contraptions and "forgotten technology."

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=pCvx5gSnfW4>

Who Built It and Why? *The Great Pyramid Ancient Wonder, Modern Mystery*

- *All of the other pyramids were built as tombs. The Great Pyramid is completely different in its passage systems and was never a tomb.*



One Reference to Cheops, *The Great Pyramid Ancient Wonder, Modern Mystery*

- *Only reference to Cheops was a quarry mark on one of the concealed stones above the King's Chamber.*



Cheops (the Greek name for Khufu) was the Pharaoh in power during the construction of the Great Pyramid.

Egyptian history speaks of a tribe of nomadic “shepherd kings” who invaded Egypt, closed the pagan temples, and initiated a different religion. We think the actual builder was probably Shem, a son of Noah, with blueprints from God. Surely he would have had specialized construction experience after helping to build the Ark. Shem lived about 500 years after the Flood, and there would have been enough time for enough people to have been born to provide the construction talent.

What Bible prophecy is fulfilled by the Great Pyramid?

Isaiah 19:19-20: (NASB) ¹⁹In that day there will be an altar to the LORD in the midst of the land of Egypt, and a pillar to the LORD near its border. ²⁰It will become a sign and a witness to the LORD of hosts in the land of Egypt; for they will cry to the LORD because of oppressors, and He will send them a Savior and a Champion, and He will deliver them.

But if this pyramid is "a message board for God's plan," why would God hide His grand plan for mankind in a massive mountain of stone? We believe it is the same reason why God hid his plan for the Messiah in the obscure promise to Adam ("the seed of the woman shall bruise the serpent's head"), and Abraham ("in thee and thy seed shall all the families of the earth be blessed"). He didn't speak directly, He spoke in obscure languages so that people that would truly seek Him could find Him.

It's reasonable to assume that the Logos (Jesus in his pre-human existence) oversaw the creation of the Great Pyramid.

Proverbs 8:22,30: ²²The Lord brought me forth in the beginning of His way, before His works of old. ³⁰Then I was by Him, as one brought up with Him: and I was daily his delight, rejoicing always before Him.

Job 38:4-6: ⁴Where wast thou when I laid the foundations of the earth? Declare, if thou hast understanding. ⁵Who hath laid the measures thereof, if thou knowest? Or who hath stretched the line upon it? ⁶Whereupon are the foundations thereof fastened? Or who laid the cornerstone thereof?

There are a lot of similarities between the creation of the earth and the building of the Great Pyramids. The Great Pyramid has five cornerstones; the chief cornerstone is the one at the top that encapsulates the entire shape of the Pyramid.





The Great Pyramid, Science & Math



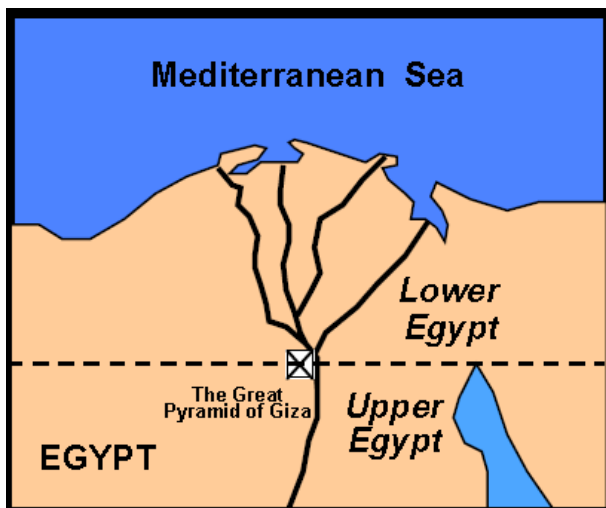
Not with Primitive Tools, *Were Pyramids Built By Aliens?*

- *Perhaps the Pyramid was a beacon for aliens to land on Earth*
- *Five granite slabs could have been a massive receiver/transmitter*

Let's go back to our theme Scripture:

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- "In that day" - what day is "that day"? This prophecy talks about the end times, when God will eventually reveal Himself to all of mankind. This is a time stamp. It isn't saying it would be a sign and a witness throughout human history, but "in that day."



The Egyptian word "Giza" means "border".

How can it be both an "altar" in the midst and a "pillar" at the border? The word "pillar" actually means a memorial stone, not a pillar to hold something up. "Border" in Egyptian is "Giza." This is exactly where the Great Pyramid sits - at the border between the ancient divisions of upper and lower Egypt. The word "sign" means "signal." (Hebrew word ayd) - a testimony or a recorder - it will publish something as a witness of the Lord of hosts.

(Source: *Ancient Wonder, Modern Mystery*) The Great Pyramid is located at the border of Egypt. It is also located in the midst of Egypt. In any other country these two requirements would be self-contradictory, but not so in Egypt. From early history, Egypt has been divided into two sections, Upper Egypt and Lower Egypt. Upper Egypt is the southern portion of that nation which stretches from the Sudanese border northward to the Giza Plateau. At the Giza Plateau the land elevation abruptly drops. Lower Egypt begins here and covers the rest of Egypt northward to the Mediterranean Sea including the Nile Delta region. The Great Pyramid stands on the Giza Plateau in the middle of Egypt, between upper and lower Egypt. Thus, it also stands at the border of Egypt, at the natural boundary separating Upper and Lower Egypt. The word Giza in the Arabic language means "border." The semantics of the title, The Great Pyramid of Giza, acknowledges its location at the border of Egypt.



Lack of Settling/Lack of Tilt: Were Pyramids Built By Aliens?

- Without modern geology knowledge, any building would end up crumbling for lack of a proper foundation
- Modern acceptability is for buildings to sink six inches in 100 years, but the Great Pyramid has only settled 1/2 inch in over 4,000 years!

The plateau is leveled with 20-inch platform stones that the pyramid is built upon. Certainly this is something humans could have done with divine inspiration. It is also true square within four minutes of a degree to true north (1/4 inch).

Biblical prophecy points to the building and its structural integrity points to the fact that it is there for an enduring reason. It was the original pyramid of Egypt built as a prophetic time capsule, relevant in the end days. There were people with the blueprints that weren't Egyptian (such as Noah with the ark), and the actual workers likely weren't slaves.

Math/Geography: Were Pyramids Built By Aliens?

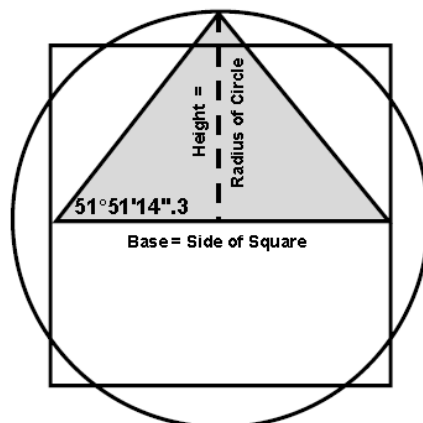
- Mathematical concepts were used that would not be discovered for thousands of years after
- Its geographical orientation is its single most amazing characteristic
- How could an ancient quasi stone-age culture be able to determine true north?

To set the tone for the rest of the discussion, we want to keep in mind:

2 Peter 1:19: We have also a more sure word of prophecy; whereunto ye do well that ye take heed, as unto a light that shineth in a dark place, until he day dawn, and the day star arise in your hearts.

Peter was an Apostle that had the opportunity to walk with the Lord. He told us to believe what the prophecy said and not just take his word for it. That's why our theme text is so powerful - its two parts say there will be both a sign (signal) and a witness (recorder) in the day of the Lord. The Great Pyramid is a signal of the Lord's hand in its creation in the mathematical constants that are displayed.

The Pi Proportion



Distance Around...
 Square = Circle
 (Perimeter = Circumference)

Area of...
 Square = Circle

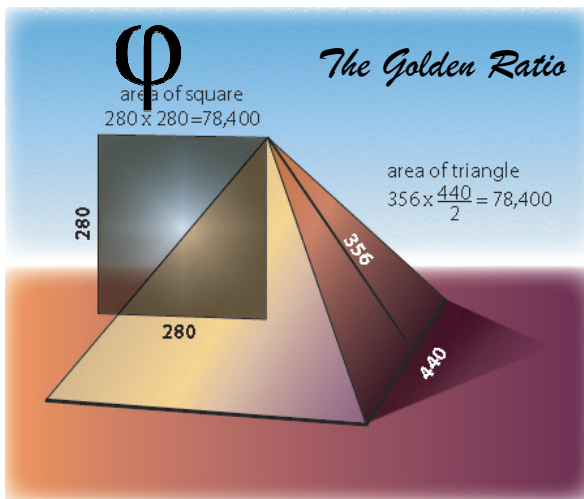
$$\pi = 3.14159$$

$$\frac{\text{Base} \times 2}{\text{Height}} = 3.14159$$



(Source: *Ancient Wonder, Modern Mystery*) One of man's oldest mathematical quests has been to accurately determine the relationship between the circumference of a circle and its diameter. Mathematicians denote this ratio by the sixteenth letter of the Greek alphabet, Φ ('pi'). This value, which we know today as 3.141592 +, was first accurately determined by Rudolph Van Ceulin in the sixteenth century. It is a ratio fundamental to the study of physical things, as it gives a mathematical link between straight and circular geometric figures. A proper ascertainment of this ratio is vital to mathematicians, astrophysicists, architects, and many others. The pi ratio is one of the first mathematical features discovered in the Great Pyramid. In the 1850s, John Taylor discovered that the original vertical height of the Great Pyramid was to its base perimeter as the radius of a circle is to its circumference. John Taylor noted that this pi proportion feature could only work with the unique Great Pyramid angle of $51^\circ 51'$. Thus no other pyramid contains this relationship.

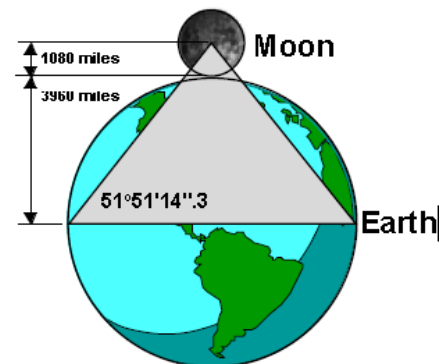
According to both Smyth's and Petrie's measurements, the Great Pyramid demonstrates the pi proportion accurately to four decimal points. The significance of this demonstration is doubly impressive when one realizes that pi had not been worked out to this accuracy until the sixth century, more than 2700 years after the Great Pyramid's completion.



The Golden Section Ratio has to do with proportions that are pleasing to the eye. The Greeks built this into the Parthenon and other architecture. The complex mathematical formula = 1.618 and the ratio of the Great Pyramid's height to apothem is 1.618.

For more on this subject, please see:
http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Golden_ratio

EARTH TO MOON SIZE RATIO



Our moon is much larger than any moon of any planet we know of. Our moon actually controls the magnetic field that protects the earth from harmful radiation particles from the sun. The idea of this large moon in relation to the size of our earth is embodied in the Great Pyramid! If the base of the Pyramid were exactly equal to the equatorial diameter of the earth, the height of the pyramid would extend from the center of the earth to the exact center of the moon if the moon were next to the earth.



Scripturally, "Egypt" is used as a metaphor or picture of the whole world, and is actually in the center of the earth's land masses. Interestingly, there is more earth and less sea in the Great Pyramid's meridian than in any other meridian on the earth. Therefore, the Great Pyramid's meridian is the natural zero meridian of the earth, much more suitable than that of Greenwich or Paris. Also, there is more land surface in the Great Pyramid's general parallel of 30° than in any other parallel on the earth. Additionally, the Great Pyramid's nether meridian (the meridian continuous with it on the other side of the globe), is found to pass almost entirely through water, making it the most suitable international dateline. The amount of land surface east of the Great Pyramid is equal to the amount of land surface west of the Great Pyramid. Further, the amount of land surface north of Egypt is equal to the amount of land surface south of Egypt.



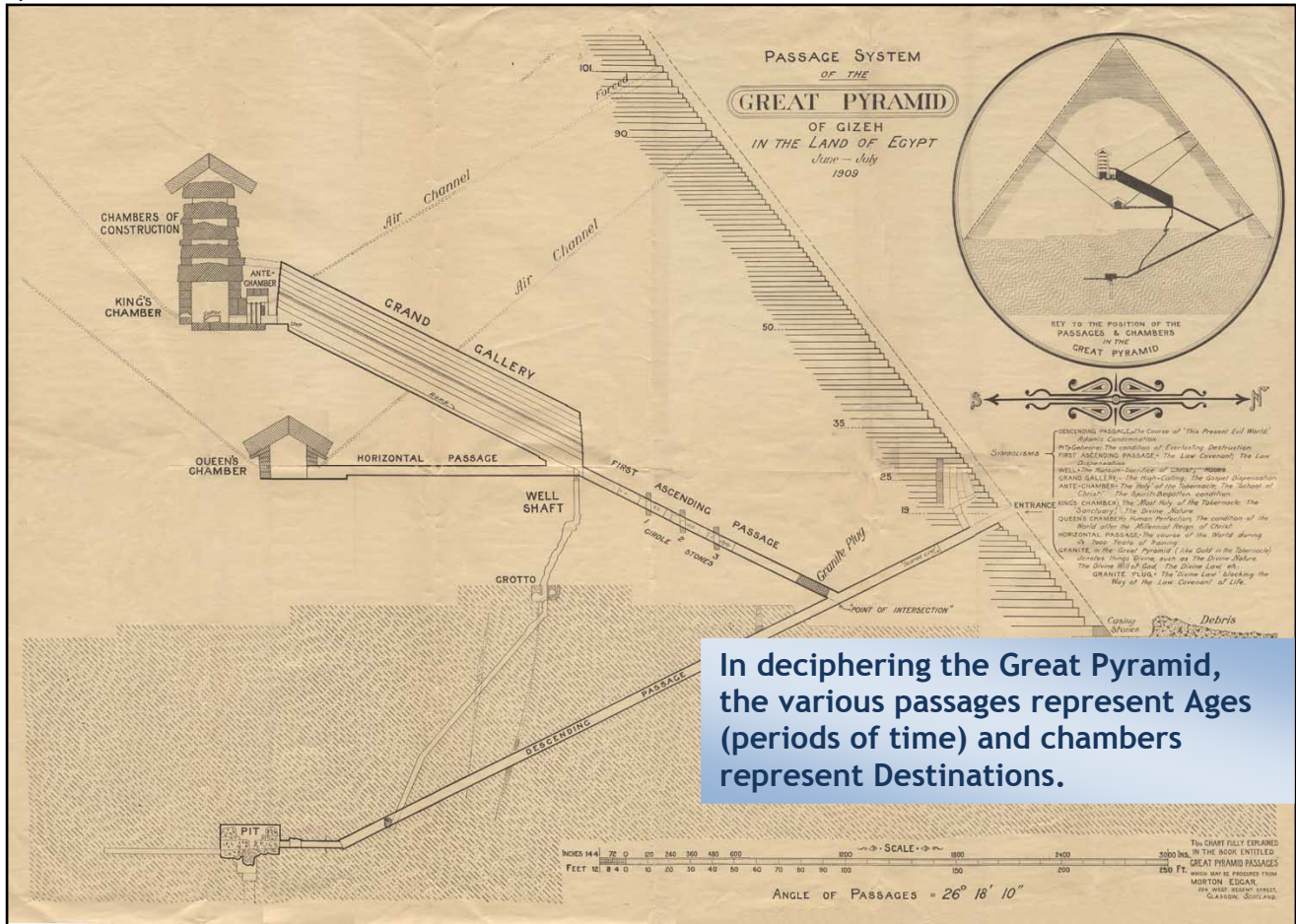
 Ancient Egyptian Writings Name the Passages and Chambers, *The Great Pyramid Ancient Wonder, Modern Mystery*

The Titles:

- *The Descent*
- *The Chamber of the Ordeal*
- *The Well of Life*
- *Hall of Truth in Darkness*
- *Hall of Truth in Light*
- *Chamber of Regeneration*
- *Chamber of the Open Tomb of Resurrection*



The interior passages and chambers of the Great Pyramid, 1909



In deciphering the Great Pyramid, the various passages represent Ages (periods of time) and chambers represent Destinations.



Descending Passage The Descending Passage is the longest passage in the Great Pyramid. It starts at the north side of the outer surface and plunges at a 26 degree angle for 345 feet before leveling off and opening into the Subterranean Chamber. This dark, narrow passage is four feet high. Without the aid of cleats and handrails, which have been added in modern times, descending it safely would be nearly impossible.

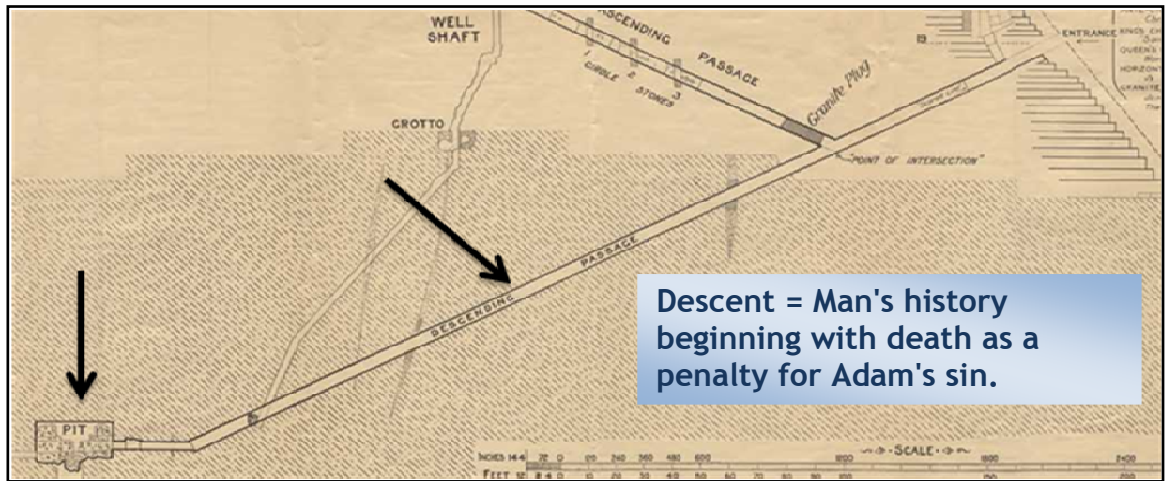
What is the biblical significance of this Descending Passage? We know we are dying a hereditary death.

Romans 5:17: (KJV): *For if by one man's offence death reigned by one; (Father Adam) much more they which receive abundance of grace and of the gift of righteousness shall reign in life by one, Jesus Christ.*

The whole world of mankind is plunged down a hereditary descent into death.



Psalms 51:5: (KJV) Behold, I was shapen in iniquity; and in sin did my mother conceive me.



Chamber of the Ordeal - The Pit Room At the bottom of the Descending Passage is the oddest chamber in the Great Pyramid, the Pit Room. It is about forty-six feet long, twenty-seven feet wide, and the height ranges between extremes of one foot to fourteen feet. The floor gravitates toward the east wall into a large hole called the Pit. Today this square-cut shaft is only about sixteen feet deep, the remainder being filled with debris. No one knows its original depth.



There are three destinations revealed for mankind in the Scriptures. One of them is the Chamber of Ordeal:

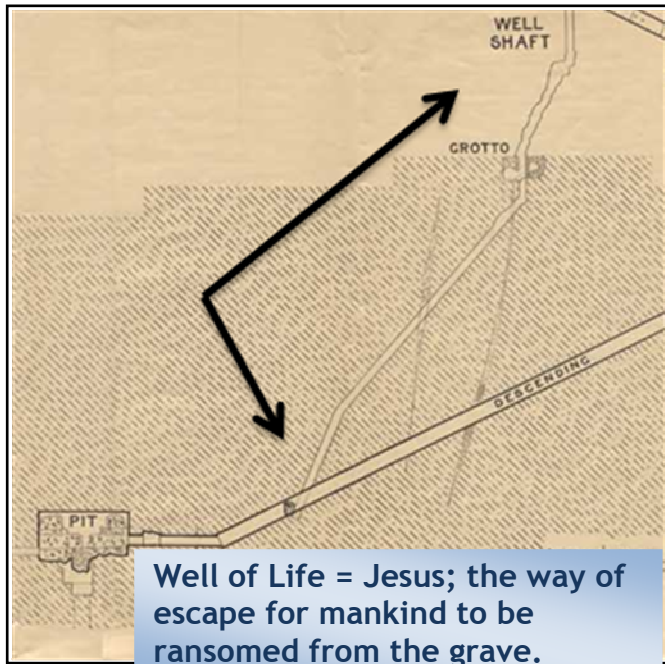
Matthew 7:13: *Enter ye in at the strait gate: for wide is the gate, and broad is the way, that leadeth to destruction, and many there be which go in there at:*

The Descending Passage perfectly describes that broad road, leading to the pit, destruction. Remember in the Isaiah 19:19-20 scriptures, it said there would be a witness, meaning a recorder. What would it record? The same thing the Bible says. We see the Great Pyramid as a metaphor for the plan of God presenting in the Scriptures.

The Well of Life - the Well Shaft Near the end of the Descending Passage there is a hole in the western wall big enough for a man to enter. This hole is the entrance to the Well Shaft. The Well Shaft is the roughest hewn passage in the Great Pyramid. It is about 185 feet long, extending almost vertically from the lower reaches of the Descending Passage and opening up into the northwestern end of the Grand Gallery. There it meets the intersection of the First Ascending Passage, the Grand Gallery and the Horizontal Passage. The Well Shaft is very steep. It is vertical at some points. Its angle of ascent varies



but never drops below 49. Many explorers have climbed this shaft. To aid their climb, one of them chipped footholds in the passage much of the way up. There are three large earthquake fissures in the walls of the Well Shaft. One of the fissures is wide enough for a full-grown man to crawl into.



Well of Life = Jesus; the way of escape for mankind to be ransomed from the grave.

The Well of Life represents a way of escape from the Descending Passage. This represents Jesus; the opportunity for mankind to be ransomed from the grave through Jesus Christ.

1 Corinthians 15:21,22: ²¹For since by man came death, by man came also the resurrection of the dead. ²²For as in Adam all die, (the Descending Passage) even so in Christ (as the Well Shaft) shall all be made alive.

Hall of Truth in Darkness/ Ascending Passage System

The Ascending Passage System is one of the most visited tourist attractions in Egypt. Its visual draw captivates the curious and pondering minds. Tourists are lured through the passages and chambers by a reverential awe for the ancient artisans. The First Ascending Passage rises at an angle of 26 from horizontal running north and south. Its low end intersects the Descending Passage 85 feet from the original north entrance of the

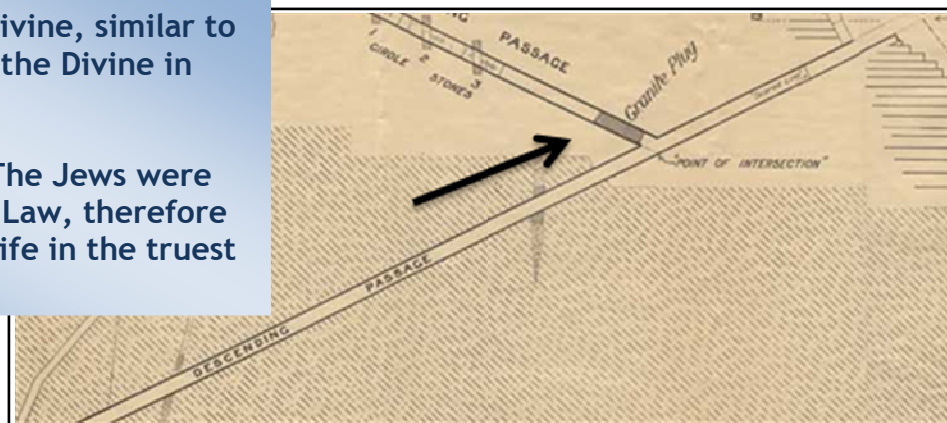
Pyramid. The First Ascending Passage is about 130 feet long and four feet high. The original entrance to the First Ascending Passage is at its intersection with the Descending Passage. However, the builders blocked that entrance. Like a cork in a bottle, a 15-ton red granite plug is wedged into the beginning of the First Ascending Passage, preventing anyone from using it.

Romans 7:10: *And the commandment, which was ordained to life, I found to be unto death.*

The Apostle Paul is speaking as a Jew at this point and talking about how God gave the Ten Commandments and requirements of the Law to the Jews; God said that if they obeyed the Law, they would have life.

Red Granite = The Divine, similar to how gold represents the Divine in the Tabernacle.

Red Granite Plug = The Jews were not able to obey the Law, therefore blocking them from life in the truest sense.



Metaphorically, mankind from Adam starts on the Descending Passage. There is an intersecting passage that goes upwards, but it is blocked by the Jew's



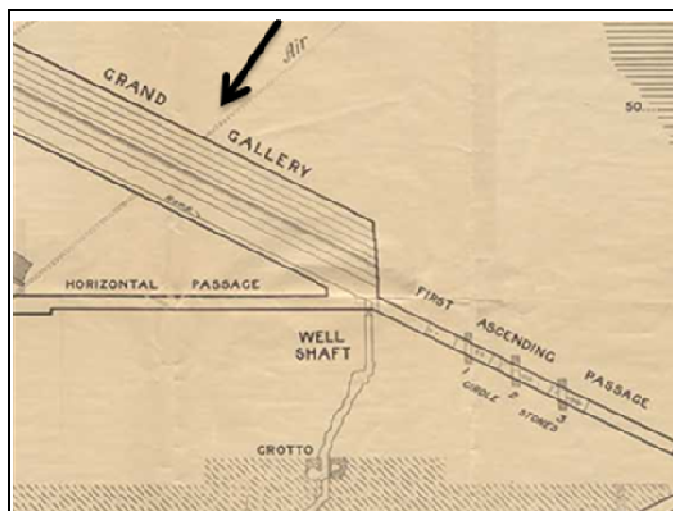
inability to keep the Divinely-given Law Covenant, pictured here as a granite plug preventing the upward ascent. This passage would have been the first way of escape from the descent to death.

God gave the opportunity for Israel to follow Him through this Law Covenant, but the only one able to keep the Law was Jesus. By his obedience, he was able to gain the victory over death. Through his sacrificial death, he was able to open up a "new and living way" through the Well Shaft to get to the Chambers of Life in the upper sections.



Hall of Truth in Light/Grand Gallery The Grand Gallery is more spacious than the other passages. At 28-feet high and six feet wide, it is seven times higher and twice as wide as the First Ascending Passage. Characterized by overlapped walls and two ramp-like embankments spanning its length on either side of the floor, the Grand Gallery is the most elaborate passage of them all. Each wall is made up of seven layers of overlapping slabs. The two-inch thick slabs overlap inward from the floor to the ceiling, gradually reducing the passage width to 3 1/2 feet at the ceiling. The entrance and exit walls overlap in the same fashion. The two ramps on either side of the floor actually constrict the footpath to about 3 1/2 feet. Rectangular holes were carved into the upper surface of each ramp, evenly spaced from beginning to end.

This gives us the ability to bypass the requirements of the Law. Our spiritual lives are being developed by the Holy Spirit, and we are brought out of that descent up to the Hall of Truth in Light or Grand Gallery. This is the first place a person can actually stand up straight. It represents what the Apostle Paul taught us, that liberty in Christ makes us free.



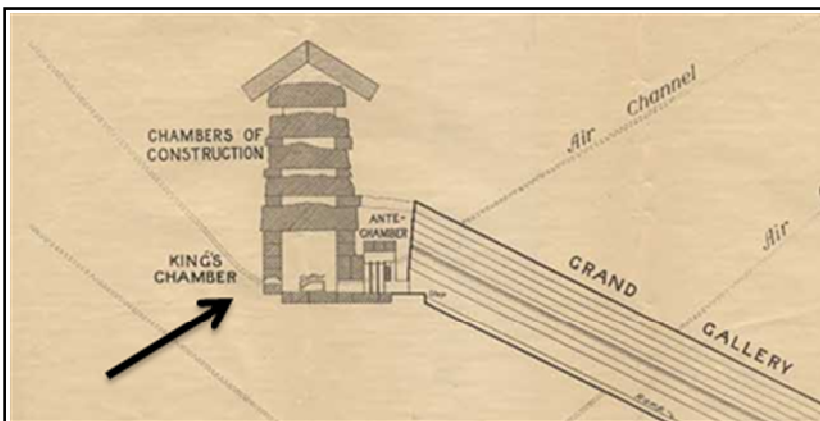


Chamber of the Open Tomb of Resurrection/King's Chamber The King's Chamber is the most famous chamber in the Great Pyramid. It rests on the 50th course of Pyramid masonry about 140 feet above ground. The King's Chamber is a little over seventeen feet long and 34.3 feet wide. It is exactly twice as wide as it is long. The ceiling is 19 feet high and is constructed of nine enormous 70 ton red granite monoliths. The size of these blocks averages four feet wide, six feet tall. They are all 27 feet long, extending five feet beyond both the north and south walls. The entrance is at the east end of the north wall. The walls and floor are of polished red granite. Together, the four 19-foot-high walls contain exactly 100 blocks, all of varying sizes. In the western end of the King's Chamber lies the red granite Coffin. It is the only piece of furniture ever found in



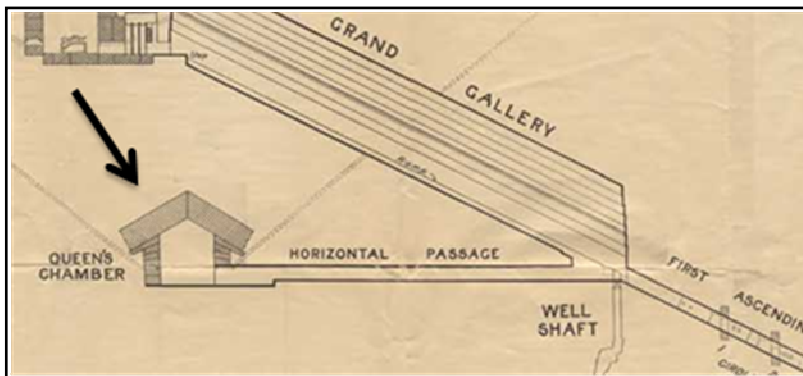
the Great Pyramid. The Coffin was so named because it is just that, a box. The Coffin does not display any hieroglyphics, which are customary of the sarcophagi in Egypt. The Coffin is a lidless red granite box about five feet long, three feet wide and 3 1/2 feet tall. There is no record of a mummy ever having been discovered in it. The north and south walls of the King's Chamber each have a nine-inch-square hole that leads to air channels. The air channels open the room to the outside and bring fresh air into the room.

The empty coffin in the King's Chamber represents Jesus' resurrection and the chance for us to participate in that immortal life as his Bride. This Pyramid was never a tomb and has air shafts into the King and Queen's chamber. Why bring fresh air into a burial chamber? You wouldn't, but as a picture, it shows life is brought into these chambers.





Chamber of Regeneration/Queen's Chamber The Queen's Chamber is a more traditional pyramid chamber. It features an arched ceiling and sits at the end of a long horizontal passage. The Queen's Chamber rests on the 25th course of pyramid masonry about 60 feet from the ground. This chamber is 17.1 feet long, the same as the King's Chamber. The width of the Queen's Chamber is only 18.8 feet. The height of this secondary chamber is 15.3 feet at the low end of the arched ceiling and 20.4 feet at its center. The floor is flat and level, but, surprisingly, it was not smoothed down by the builders. The white limestone walls and ceiling of the Queen's Chamber are covered with a heavy incrustation of salt. If cleaned and polished, this chamber would inspire its occupant with a sense of beauty and light. No furniture has ever been found in the Queen's Chamber, but there is a corbelled niche near the center of its eastern wall, distinguishing this chamber from the others. The Queen's Chamber, like the King's Chamber, is equipped with air holes—one in each of the north and south walls.



This is a chamber of life,
representing all mankind.

Isaiah 35:8,9: ⁸And a highway will be there; it will be called the Way of Holiness; it will be for those who walk on that Way. The unclean will not journey on it; wicked fools will not go about on it. ⁹No lion will be there, nor any ravenous beast; they will not be found there. But only the redeemed will walk there.

The Scriptures tell us there would be a sign and a witness in the last days for us to increase our faith. This "Bible in stone" is stunning in its depiction of science, geography, mathematics and the Plan of God that includes salvation for every man, woman and child that ever lived, through the sacrifice of Jesus.

**So is the Great Pyramid God's message board?
For Jonathan and Rick (and Todd!) and Christian Questions...
Think about it...!**

