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## Jesus: The Complete Story on Discovery Channel - posted by LoveHim, on: 2008/3/18 8:17

did anyone watch the 3-hour series called "Jesus: the complete story"?? the first hour was on His birth and the events th at surrounded it, the second hour was on His life, teachings, and healings, and the third hour was on His last week invol ving the passover, death and resurrection. it invoved a lot of archeologists and historians that showed what much of the cities and the temple may have looked like and they gave a lot of background on places that the New Testament talks a bout like the temple, the pool of bethsasda, and capernaum.

it was very informative and it did a pretty good job of talking about and sticking to the scripture in a lot of places. there ar e always a couple of parts where they give an opinion or both sides of an arguement like was Jesus really dead (swoon t heory) and stuff like that, but overall i would say that it was a pretty good series for the background and information.

it was on the discovery channel and that is cable, so i don't know how many people could have watched it, but if you do get that channel, it may be on again sometime because of this being the week between palm sunday and resurrection s unday.

i hope that some may catch be able to see it, phil

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## Re: Jesus: The Complete Story on Discovery Channel, on: 2008/3/18 9:34

I saw bits and pieces of it, and most of the 3rd hour. It was a little better than most of these documentaries, but still place s a lot of doubt into the accuracies of scripture, and certainly did not approach scripture as the inspired Word of God... b ut then, these are secularist unbelievers who put this together, so what can you expect?

I absolutely do not allow my children to view these types of documentaries because of the seeds of doubt that they plant

You're better off just reading the Bible and taking God at His Word.

There are plenty of documentaries and research groups that are Christian, and have a Biblical world view that produce s ome really good material. Seek out these things and forget the History Channel, National Geographic, etc etc.

Krispy

## Re:, on: 2008/3/18 10:48

i saw the first two sections. i thought they were well done and reflected many years of study, numerous archeological di gs, and in general was supportive of the New Testament. they point out that there is no historical doubt that Jesus exist ed and was crucified by pilate, for example. they corroborate many of the stories told about Jesus, or at least show they were possible.

to dismiss them because they aren't done exclusively by Christians is not good practice. the producers may have been s uspending their disbelief in order to do this story, but in the end they demonstrate that faith is historically justified and the story of Jesus' life, death and resurrection is a real possibility.

bub

## Re:, on: 2008/3/18 11:25

Quote:

------to dismiss them because they aren't done exclusively by Christians is not good practice.

No surprise here... I completely disagree. There is nothing that an unbeliever has to say about scripture that I am interes ted in hearing.

Secondly, you have stated on here many many times that you do not believe that scripture without error, and you are an evolutionists... therefore, naturally, you would make the statement you made.

I dont say that to run you down, you know I like you, Bub. Just pointing out that you and I approach scripture from opposi te ends of the spectrum. So when it comes to something like this documentary you and I will not agree with how scriptur e was handled.

Krispy

#### Re: - posted by LoveHim, on: 2008/3/18 11:32

thank you bub, that's what i was talking about. the archeological sites and background information to me was well worth watching the program.

obviously it is not the holy scriptures, nor was it intended to be, but showed alot of the historical sites, cities, and people t hat the scriptures say. if the program was biased toward someone, it was biased mostly toward the scriptures and towar d believers.

anyways, i only wanted to let people know that it was on and was for the most part an informative program that helps giv e background on the N.T. (especially the 2nd hour- ministry of Jesus).

have a great day :-) phil

#### Re:, on: 2008/3/18 11:47

All I'm saying is that there are much better resources for that type of stuff that is done from a Biblical point of view... and I do warn people that anything produced by the History Channel, Discovery, etc etc is done from a non-Biblical, humanist, evolutionist point of view, and generally attempts to cast doubt on the Word of God.

If you're comfortable with that, go for it. But scripture clearly states:

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Krispy

#### Re: - posted by LoveHim, on: 2008/3/18 12:05

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Krispy

brother krispy, in most things i would agree with you. i also would be cautious when watching stuff like this for non-christi

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an views and beliefs. i also hold these programs up to the word of God to see if it stands or falls.

but brother, if you did not watch much of this particular program (all 3 hours), then how do you have an informed opinion regarding this particular program?? i understand being cautious in general, but to disregard it without watching much of i t seems to be an uniformed opinion.

i agree with you much of the time, but i guess on this particular program, i will have to agree to disagree with you brother

still much love, phil

#### Re:, on: 2008/3/18 14:39

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Thats kinda like telling me that since I dont watch MTV, how can I issue a warning about it.

You're assuming that I found absolute fault with this show. You conveniently ignore the fact that I said this was **better** th an most...

Instead of actually reading what I said, and then accurately quoting me, you're not paying any attention to what I said.

So I will state it again... clearly... so you may understand... Generally speaking, documentaries about the Bible on chann els like the History Channel, Discovery, National Geographic, are not done with a Biblical world view. Therefore, as belie vers we need to use caution when watching them.

You may think you're above it all, and you can watch shows that cast doubt on God's Word, but you're not. And we dont have to watch every show, or read every book in order to give warning about such.

Fact is, there were times in that show that I DID see that did attempt to cast doubt. Not as obviously as some I have see n... but the fact that you apparently didnt even notice tells me something right there.

Krispy

### Re: - posted by Miccah (), on: 2008/3/18 15:18

KrispyKrittr wrote:

Quote:

-----There is nothing that an unbeliever has to say about scripture that I am interested in hearing.

How can someone who believes in the Word of the Lord not agree with this statement? How can someone who doesn't believe in God teach me anything that has to do with Him? Yes, they can give me some biblical time frames of when the y think things happened, but even these are obscured by the fact that most non-believers take time into a whole different arena to begin with.

Also, this documentary (I watched the third part) did try to cast doubt that Jesus had the "ability" to heal people.

I feel that the third part of the documentary pollutes the Truth of Jesus by casting doubt on who He is and what He did/d

oes.

Watch carefully and with discernment. Lots of avenues created to help spread doubt in believers and non-believers.

## Re: - posted by LoveHim, on: 2008/3/18 17:04

Quote:

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i read what you said. you said you saw bits and pieces and then most of the 3rd hour. but you completely missed what i have said about the history of the cities, the archeological digs and stuff like that (2nd hour). how many times do i have t o say that the historical part was very informative.. i'm not saying to disregard the bible and take a program as fact. com e on guys.

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is that even necessary?? you might not want to assume so much about fellow brothers. in fact, if you will re-read the ope ning post and you will see that i did address the fact that they had some of their own opinions and also both sides of cert ain issues like Jesus death (swoon theory vs resurrection).

come on krispy, phil

## Re: - posted by LoveHim, on: 2008/3/18 17:27

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i completely agree. what can an unbeliever tell us about the depths of God and who He is? Quote:

----- How can someone who doesn't believe in God teach me anything that has to do with Him?

with this, i disagree. first we're assuming that all the people on there were unbelievers (and i can't do that). second, if an unbelieving archeologist shows us certain things about the archeological digs, he can tell us certain things that have to d eal with Jesus (like what the temple was like in Jesus's day, like what certain towns, occupations, and customs were like in His day). these are things that one does not have to be a believer to tell me about. and alot of this stuff that i just listed was the very informative stuff from the first to 2nd hour.

i'm sorry if some cannot learn **that kind of stuff** from some unbelievers, but i can because i didn't know all the backgrou nd stuff that was shown last night.

phil

ps i emphasized "that kind of stuff" because that is what i have been talking about the whole time. background stuff on t he time, nation, culture, and cities in Jesus's day.

## Re: - posted by jgraves11 (), on: 2008/3/18 17:49

I watched the first hour of this program and I thought it was somewhat informative. It is neat to speculate what it must ha ve been like 2000 years ago and kind of get an idea about the history and background of scripture. Even if it is put out b y non-believers. If we were to throw out everything non-believers give us on background we would be "throwing out the baby with the bath water" what about Josephus and other such historians? Though I did find something more important to do I would not condemn someone for watching this show. Just remember that these people blatanly show their unbeli ef of the deity of Christ. One fellow kept saying can you imagine being a young man seeing this or seeing that and then he would say that Jesus was trying to figure out what to do and how his views would have been affected by the politics o

f the DAY blah blah. But there was some good speculation because that is all it is speculation about different thing s that were going on then. Also the part where they showed the early christain pilgram site in Jordan was neat, shows th at even early christains baptized by immersion.

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