

Extra-Terrestrial Life: Should We Believe It?

There are billions of stars floating in the vast expanse of space. There's a kind of allure to believing that we are not alone, that we are merely one civilization of beings living in a cosmos full of extra-terrestrials. It's an adventurous concept that makes for great movies, but what about the facts?

SETI was formed over 50 years ago in the Search for Extraterrestrial Intelligence.

Since that time, radio telescopes, vast amounts of money and a *lot* of time and resources have gone into this search, yielding no positive results.

It seems that every week, there's news of a planet far away that could support life. If only ...

Yes, if only several thousand factors were precisely in line, then the planets discovered would be able to support human life. Even the most basic life that we know of requires hundreds of factors to be tuned to precision. Most of the planets outside of our solar system that we've been able to locate are either too big or small, too close or too far away from their parent star, or they aren't terrestrial (they don't have land, which makes it hard to stand).

When we look at the evidence in this solar system, we find that no planet comes close to the necessities for human life. Whether it's a noxious atmosphere made of poisonous gas, or a planet bathed with solar radiation, not one place besides earth could comfortably be called "home."

There's one major clue related to all of this in the Bible. The book of Isaiah tells us that the earth was formed to be inhabited—that means it is a special place. And not only that,

but it is so significant in God's universe that He sent His Son, Jesus Christ, to earth to die for the sins of the world and be raised again.

I'm David Rives. Truly, the heavens declare the glory of God.
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