## **Commentary Blog B**

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Do you recall the 1997 movie, Contact?

In this conditioning film we find so many dark appeals, including ones which echo the dark one's agenda: To foster the attitudes, *Has God said?* and *He has NOT said!* 

Many examples of dark appeals are packaged in this big-picture/DVD *medium*. We'd like to highlight only one in this blog.

At least 3 times - repetition for the sake of emphasis, perhaps? – in the film we find this idea (in relationship to *the vastness of the heavens*):

"If humanity is the only group of extra intelligent beings in the universe, there sure seems to be a lot of wasted space."

Here's how the movie literally presents it ...

- Older Ellie (Jody Foster) at the end of the film is instructing a group of kids, one of which who asks, "Are there other people out there in the universe?" to which Ellie responds:

   ... The universe is a pretty big place. It's bigger than anything anyone has ever dreamed of before. So if it's just us, it seems like an awful waste of space ... right?"
- 2. The postmodern spiritualist, Palmer Joss (Matthew McConaughey) says to Ellie, "Well if there wasn't [other intelligent life in the universe], it'd be an awful waste of space."
- 3. Ellie's dad, the scientist (David Morse) says to young Ellie during the introduction of the film "If it is just us, it seems like an awful waste of space."

I think they're trying to *message us* something here!

Notice: By their very confession, they *seem to* be open to the idea that there are other intelligent beings in the universe .. but **surely NOT YHWH/YHVH God!** What inconsistency indeed.

The Word of God foretells great deception in the days of the end – our days! It predicts global animosity toward the one true God - the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit - and His people. It warns against falling into the bondages of demonic end-time deception.

In relationship to the *Contact* film, Ellie commits fallacy of the *excluded middle* by simply rejecting – willful self deception – certain viable hypotheses concerning the *WHYS* of the vastness of the universe.

She rejects Creator and creation for the naturalistic (yet *cosmic*) origins' myth, even evidencing her view by indirectly saying (that is, inferring), *if God created only us, He sure wasted space ... so God doesn't really exist* - poor warrants in support of the agnostic, atheistic or antitheist viewpoints, to be sure.

But, IF she had only been more fair-minded and had opened the pages of the holy Bible - to at least consider Creator, natural revelation (creation) and special revelation (God's Word) - she would have discovered NO wasted space at all! Actually, IF Ellie would have considered and personally accepted this *answer* to her passionate inquiry searching for something transcendent to man, her most desired longings would have been satisfied. By the way, this transcendent One has taken initiative to *contact* us and has clearly revealed Himself through His Son, Jesus Christ. God is so good, merciful and gracious to humanity but offers these good things on His terms.

So I plead: Dear *Ellie*, please consider the goodness of Creator God whereby you can find true, **eternal fulfillment** which you so passionately seek! Be open to the glorious, transcendent One through Jesus Christ, the King of kings and Lord of lords!

As explicitly stated in the Bible, God created the glorious **vastness of the heavens** for multiple reasons!

1. The heavens declare the glory of God - Psalm 19

The heavens declare the glory of God; and the firmament shows His handiwork. (vs. 1)

2. The universe illustrates God's GREATNESS above man - Is. 55

For My thoughts *are* not your thoughts, nor *are* your ways My ways," says the LORD. "For *as* the heavens are higher than the earth, so are My ways higher than your ways, and My thoughts than your thoughts." (vv. 8, 9)

3. The vastness of heaven provides yet another picture of God's mercy and grace toward those who accept His provision in/through Jesus Christ His Son - Ps. 103

For as the heavens are high above the earth, so great is His mercy toward those who fear Him; as far as the east is from the west, so far has He removed our transgressions from us. (vv. 11, 12)

There you have it - viable divine explanations (from God's Word) concerning some of the WHYS of the vastness of the universe.

The recent - say the past 20+ years - big-screen attacks against biblical Truth are blatant. Actually, they demonstrate/evidence the reality of God, Jesus Christ and spiritual existence. Some respond in rejection of His many infallible proofs - Acts 1:3 – while others are wiser and go on to better discern the binding deceptions offered by the spirit of the age. (And by the way, hostility toward the one true God and His people is only going to increase. Are YOU prepared for this next decade which will bring further fulfillment of Bible prophecy before Jesus Christ's final-trumpet rapture gathering of His Church?)

Some would respond, *But Jon, this film was presented over 20 years ago!* Exactly! End-time conditioning through spiritual darkness and its promotion of the one world system of antichrist is well underway. It has been for decades now. Are YOU discerning the **present** signs? The glorious initial appearing of the Lord Jesus Christ - marking the beginning of **the Day of the Lord** - is closer than many discern.

How might we respond to these cultural *presentries*?

May we respond, in part, like King David ...

Bless the LORD, O my soul; and all that is within me, *bless* His holy name! Bless the Lord, O my soul, and forget not all His benefits. ... Bless the LORD, all *you* His hosts, *you* ministers of His, who do His pleasure. Bless the LORD, all His works, in all places of His dominion. Bless the LORD, O my soul! (Psalm 103:1, 2, 21, 22; NKJV)