

**The Bible (Unmuted) Transcript**  
**Episode 25**  
**Christianity, ET, and UFOs**  
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**Episode Summary:**

Would the discovery of aliens undermine Christianity? In this short episode, I introduce a new article I wrote for Premier Christianity magazine (link below).

Premier Christianity article: <https://www.premierchristianity.com/features/why-its-time-for-christians-to-take-ufos-seriously/15974.article>

Interview with Ross Coulthart: <https://youtu.be/ZljDzLn1wso>

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**Transcript:**

0:00 Hey everyone! Welcome to a short episode of the Bible Unmuted. I wanted to hop on here real quick because if you have been watching the news or keeping up with what's been going on with congress, then you've probably heard all the talk about UFOs and ET existence. It's a weird and strange topic for sure and inevitably matters of faith and questions about religion come up when thinking about these matters. So I was asked a month or two ago by *Premier Christianity* to write an article on the Christian response to UFOs. The article came out on Tuesday. I have it linked in my social media platforms and I've also included a link to the article in the description to this episode. But I thought I'd read an excerpt for you. This comes straight from the article. It's a couple of paragraphs and it gives you a snippet of what I'm trying to do in the article. Here is a selection from that

0:55 *Six decades ago, the Brookings Institute advised NASA on the "implications" of discovering ET existence. They claimed the public response to this news would largely depend upon one's "cultural, religious, and social background". I agree, although with a caveat. It's not just that one's religion may be the lens through which ET existence is interpreted. Rather, it's the perception of one's religion that matters. A person's understanding of data – whether it be a movie, a biblical text or an alien spacecraft landing at Westminster Abbey – proceeds through a complex grid of presuppositions.*

*For example, some Christians think ET existence is contrary to a biblical worldview. But these sorts of arguments, while professing to be Bible-based, are typically founded upon unhelpful presuppositions about the Bible. They also tend to interpret the ET question in light of an unwarranted anthropocentric (or human-centred) bias, which fails to imagine how a theocentric (or God-centred) universe would leave room for ET existence. All of this causes one's interpretations to get off on the wrong foot, unnecessarily complicating the question itself.*

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2:05 So, that's a snippet. You can read the entire article for yourself. Also, on my YouTube channel, I have an interview with Ross Coulthart who is one of the journalists who is at the helm of investigating and documenting all the recent happenings of all the UFO topics in congress. But definitely read the article first and then watch that interview because it will set some context for you.

As always, I'd love to hear your thoughts and would love to get some feedback if you would like to share. Well, that's all for now. Thank you for being part of the Bible Unmuted community. I pray that you're having a great week. Until next time.