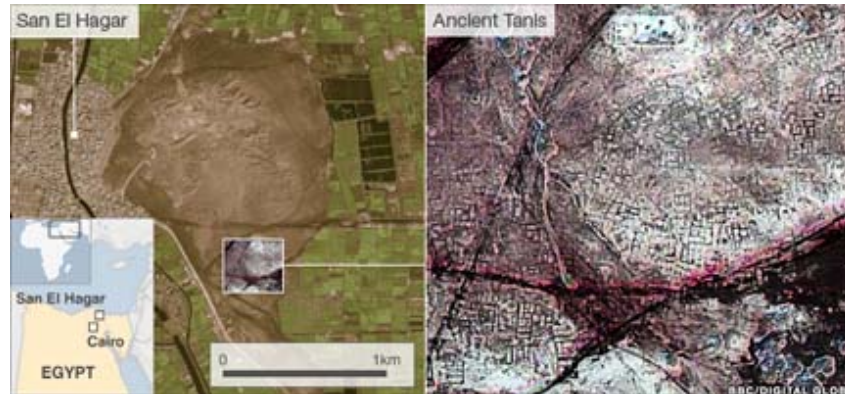


New Pyramid Sites Discovered in Egypt and Sudan



The infrared image on the right reveals the ancient city streets of Tanis near modern-day San El Hagar. PHOTO: BBC

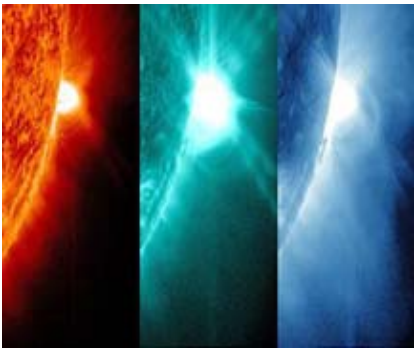
Over the past few days, reports have been posted on new findings of ancient pyramid sites, one in Sudan and one in Egypt.

Read the reports and leave us your comments:

Stephan Fuelling sent us this link posted on BBC World News: [“Egyptian pyramids found by infra-red satellite images.”](#) Seventeen lost pyramids are among the buildings identified in a new satellite survey of Egypt. More than 1,000 tombs and 3,000 ancient settlements were also revealed by looking at infra-red images which show underground buildings.

Roger Weld linked us to this online article at the UK Daily Mail: [“Mini-pyramids of the kingdom of Kush: Archaeologists discover 35 burial chambers in Sudan desert with fascinating links to Ancient Egypt”](#)

Science Captures Images of What Happens on the Sun's Surface



On July 19, 2012, SDO captured images of a solar flare in numerous wavelengths. PHOTO: NASA/Goddard Space Flight Center.

Spacedaily.com has posted some new information on what is actually happening on the surface of the physical sun, all possible because of new atmospheric imaging technology.

Read the posts and let us know what you think:

["Solar Dynamics Observatory Provides First Sightings of How a Coronal Mass Ejection Forms" by Karen C. Fox for Goddard Space Flight Center](#)

"On July 19, 2012, SDO captured images of a solar flare in numerous wavelengths. . . ."

[“Why Sun’s Corona Is Much Hotter Than Its Surface”](#)

“Scientists at Northumbria University have for the first time begun to unlock the mystery of why the outer edge of the Sun is much hotter than its surface. . . .”

links submitted by Frieda Nelson

“Yet more evidence emerges that our universe is a grand simulation created by an intelligent designer”



“There’s a lot of buzz in the news about a new scientific study that statistically supports the idea that our known universe is actually a grand computer simulation. This is mainstream science, and the idea isn’t as wacky as you might first suppose. . . . This news, by the way, also supports the idea of a Creator who brought this universe—and everything in it—into existence *by design*.

“A new scientific paper published in *arXiv* and coauthored by Silas Beane from the University of Bonn reveals strong statistical evidence that our reality is, indeed, a grand computer simulation. The title of the paper is ‘Constraints on the Universe as a Numerical Simulation.’”

[Read the entire article by Mike Adams online at naturalnews.com](#), then share with us your thoughts and comments. If this becomes the standard world view, how would you address it?

link submitted by Robert Anderson

“Science Set Free”



Rupert Sheldrake.

PHOTO: sheldrake.org

Rupert Sheldrake spoke at the 2013 Electric Universe Conference on the theme of his latest book, which was published in January 2012 in the United Kingdom under the title *The Science Delusion*, and in the U.S. in September 2012 as *Science Set Free: 10 Paths to New Discovery*. The book summarizes much of his previous work and encapsulates it into a broader critique of modern materialism.

The British title of Sheldrake's book apparently mimics the title *The God Delusion*, written by one of Sheldrake's critics, the avowedly atheist biologist Richard Dawkins; but Sheldrake, in an April 2012 interview, insisted the title was his publishers' idea. In the interview with *Fortean Times*,

Sheldrake commented, “Dawkins is a passionate believer in materialist dogma, but the book is not a response to him—although I do object to his dumbed-down representation of science.”

In his book, Sheldrake proposes a big question as the theme of each chapter, each of which seeks to elaborate on his central premise that science is predicated on the belief that the nature of reality is fully understood with only minor details needing to be filled in. This “delusion” is what Sheldrake argues has turned science into a series of dogmas, rather than a genuinely open-minded approach to investigating phenomena.

Watch the two-part presentation of Ruper Sheldrake’s talk at the Electric Universe 2013 conference on YouTube:

[Click here to watch PART 1 \(30 minutes\)](#)

[Click here to watch PART 2 \(28 minutes\)](#)

To find out more about Dr. Sheldrake, visit his web site:
<http://www.sheldrake.org>

links submitted by Robert Petrovich

Background Controversy on the Gospel of Judas Translation



PHOTO: Kenneth Garrett/NGS

In 2006 The National Geographic Society released the first English translation of the Gospel of Judas, a second-century text discovered in Egypt in the 1970s. The translation caused a sensation because it seemed to overturn the popular image of Judas the betrayer and instead presented a benevolent Judas who was a friend of Jesus.

In *The Thirteenth Apostle*, April DeConick offers a new translation of the Gospel of Judas that seriously challenges The National Geographic interpretation. Inspired by The National Geographic Society's efforts to piece together this ancient manuscript, DeConick sought out the original Coptic text and began her own translation. She said: "I didn't find the sublime Judas, at least not in Coptic. What I found were a series of English translation choices made by the National Geographic team, choices that permitted a different Judas to emerge in the English translation than in the Coptic original. Judas was not only not sublime, he was far more demonic than any Judas I know in any other piece of early Christian literature, Gnostic or otherwise."

Read what April D. DeConick has to say about the original translation of the Gospel of Judas in [the New York Times Op-Ed page on December 1, 2007: "Gospel Truth"](#)

Read what the translators of the Gospel of Judas have to say about the comments on their work made by April D. DeConick

in [the New York Times Op-Ed page on December 7, 2007: "The Gospel of Judas: A Word from the Translators."](#)

Read what was written about the debate in [National Geographic News at nationalgeographic.com by Stefan Lovgren : "Judas was a Demon After All, New Gospel Reading Claims."](#)

Follow [this link to the book *The Thirteenth Gospel: What the Gospel of Judas Really Says* by April D. DeConick](#) at Amazon.com and there *Look Inside* to read the "Preface to the Revised Edition." You will get a good piece of the story of how the stressful translation schedule of the scholars hired by National Geographic led to important translation errors and a sensational and misguided view of what the original manuscript said.

[Click here to see a PDF of the 2006 translation of the Gospel of Judas at nationalgeographic.com.](#)

[Click here to link to *The Gospel of Judas, Critical Edition* at Amazon.com.](#)

links provided by Robert Petrovich

**"UPDATE: The Reaction to
Karen King's Gospel
Discovery"**



The "Mary" in the controversial text, King says, may be Mary Magdalene, who was present at the Crucifixion. (Sandro Botticelli, The Mourning of Christ, c. 1490. Alte Pinakothek, Bayerische Staatgemaeldesammlugen, Munich/ BPK, Berlin/Art Resouce, NY)

"When the divinity scholar unveiled the papyrus fragment that she says refers to Jesus' 'wife,' our reporter was there in Rome amidst the firestorm of criticism."

[Read the entire article at smithsonianmag.com](http://smithsonianmag.com) by Ariel Sabar, the only reporter on the scene in Rome when the divinity scholar Karen King made the announcement.

This story is an update of < [the news broken by Smithsonian magazine on September 18, 2012](#) >.

[Read the original *Communique* article on the discovery.](#)

Links provided by Robert Petrovich

Dr. Rupert Sheldrake: “Why Bad Science Is Like Bad Religion”



Rupert Sheldrake.

PHOTO: sheldrake.org

“Bad religion is arrogant, self-righteous, dogmatic and intolerant. And so is bad science. But unlike religious fundamentalists, scientific fundamentalists do not realize that their opinions are based on faith. They think they know the truth. They believe that science has already solved the fundamental questions.”

[Link to the Huffington Post online to read the entire article, posted in the Religion section on December 3, 2012.](#)

link provided by Robert Petrovich

“Solar (R)evolution – Does the sun have the Power to transform Humankind?”

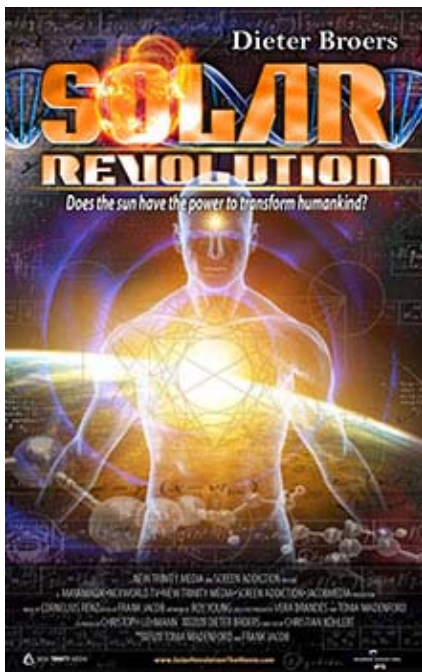


PHOTO: solar-
revolution-movie.com

The website for the film *Solar (R)evolution* tells us that world-renowned German biophysicist Dieter Broers makes a compelling case for a remarkable correlation between increases in solar activity and advances in humankind’s creative, mental, and spiritual abilities.

On the website Broers gives this personal note:

“We are at a pinnacle time at which all of our senses are telling us that we are approaching a turning point. Humankind is (we are) in the middle of an all-encompassing process of change. In the external world we are experiencing an increase in the density of events, not only quantitatively, but also qualitatively in their intensity. We realize that a

significant number of these events correlate with our own inner mental and emotional processes.

“The increasingly ineluctable confrontations with these processes inevitably lead to a change of consciousness. It appears as if each one of us is challenged to his limits. At the point of our limits, we are faced with a decision. The decision to either continue to engage with the existing structures, or to take a new approach. On this new path, we recognize our true and divine potential. It is the path from the illusion of separation to wholeness. On our journey, our consciousness is expanding rapidly. It extends to increasingly frequent moments of insight facilitating this big decision.

“Our sun contributes significantly to this process of change. . . .”

Communiqué editors have not seen the film yet, but we have watched the trailer. The last woman to speak in the trailer doesn't know it, but she is referring to our Community: Watch the trailer and let us know what you think.

[Follow this link to the film's web site and click on "Trailer" in the administrative bar to watch.](#)

[Or watch the trailer on YouTube.](#)

The DVD of the film is already available at Amazon.com for \$19.95. [Click here to go to Amazon.com to make your order.](#) Then come back here to tell us what you thought of it.

Mitch Battros on “The Climate

Conspiracy (2012)”



“Is it possible that galactic and solar events are exerting an impact on earth’s climate far more than any human activities? And is it possible that these celestial events are affecting us in many more ways than just the climate? Finally, is it possible that ancient cultures, such as the Mayans, anticipated these changes?

“In a far-ranging conversation that travels to the center of our galaxy and back, scientific journalist and psychologist Mitch Battros describes the connection between what happens on the sun and what happens on the earth. He speaks about the impact of solar radiation on the earth – not just climate, but earth’s magnetic field, and, in turn, all life on earth. And he talks about an alignment of our solar system in the galaxy, and a beam of galactic particles that may bring significant change.”

Gaiam TV presents an interview with Mitch Battros and host Lisa Garr. Runtime is 1:24:41.

[Watch the video online at Gaiam TV.](#)

Link submitted by Frieda Nelson

“Heaven Exists”



"'You have nothing to fear. There is nothing you can do wrong.' The message flooded me with a vast and crazy sensation of relief." PHOTO: by Newsweek; Source: Buena Vista Images-Getty Images

"Heaven exists though and it's now kind of officially recognized by the mainstream media. . . Dr. Eben Alexander has taught at Harvard Medical School and has earned a strong reputation as a neurosurgeon. After a week in a coma during the fall of 2008, during which his neocortex [the conscious part of the brain] ceased to function, Alexander claims he experienced a life-changing visit to the afterlife, specifically heaven. So what exactly does heaven look like? Alexander says he first found himself floating above clouds before witnessing 'transparent, shimmering beings arced across the sky, leaving long, streamer-like lines behind them.'

"'You are loved and cherished, dearly, forever. You have nothing to fear. There is nothing you can do wrong,' are the messages that Alexander heard from beings he encountered in the heavens. 'There is no scientific explanation for the fact that while my body lay in coma, my mind—my conscious, inner self—was alive and well. While the neurons of my cortex were stunned to complete inactivity by the bacteria that had attacked them, my brain-free consciousness journeyed to another, larger dimension of the universe: a dimension I'd

never dreamed existed and which the old, pre-coma me would have been more than happy to explain was a simple impossibility.'”

He's from Harvard so it must be true—right?

[Read the entire article online on Dr. Mark Sircus' Blog.](#)

Link and comment submitted by Robert Anderson