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AUTHOR, FILMMAKER



Derrick Warfel is an award-winning filmmaker whose new book, [UFOs and God](#), offers a serious biblical response to the modern UFO narrative and its growing impact on the church. He holds a B.A. in Psychology from Princeton University, a Master of Theology from Dallas Theological Seminary — where he studied under Drs. Charles Ryrie and John Walvoord — and an MFA in Cinema from the University of Southern California. He spent eight years on staff with Cru (Campus Crusade for Christ), then devoted four decades to writing, directing and producing films from a biblical Christian worldview, including eight feature films. Owner/Producer of [Winter Star Productions](#), Derrick is the executive producer of [the companion documentary film, UFOs and God](#) (set to release in August), and is developing a six-week Bible study guide for small groups. He resides in Tequesta, Florida.

CREDENTIALS

- B.A. in Psychology — Princeton University
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- MFA in Cinema — University of Southern California
- Eight years on staff with Cru (Campus Crusade for Christ)
- Award-winning writer/director/producer of eight feature films
- Taught screenwriting and producing internationally at collegiate level
- Producer/executive producer — *UFOs and God* documentary

DOWNLOADABLES

- [Headshot](#)
- [3D book cover](#)
- [Advanced reader copy](#)

AVAILABILITY

- Available: Mon–Fri after 9 AM ET
- Avail in London, June 1–4 for in-person/in-studio
- Unavailable: May 23–June 5 (England); Sept. 16–20 (retreat);
- Eastern Time (Tequesta/Jupiter, FL)

EXPERTISE

- **UFOs, UAPs & spiritual deception:** Biblical framework for understanding the modern UFO narrative, government disclosure and what Scripture says about unexplained phenomena.
- **Apologetics & discernment:** Equipping believers to think critically about cultural challenges to the Christian faith — from the Enlightenment to evolution to the extraterrestrial narrative.
- **Spiritual warfare:** Practical biblical tools for identifying and resisting demonic influence and deception in contemporary culture.
- **End-times prophecy:** How the UFO phenomenon may connect to eschatological deception, the rise of false religion and biblical warnings about the last days.
- **Faith & culture:** How media, entertainment and storytelling shape public belief — and what the church must do before pop culture defines the narrative.
- **Church preparedness:** Why the evangelical church is largely unprepared for the coming wave of UFO-based theology and what leaders can do about it.

KEY TOPICS

- Why UFO fascination is surging again — and why Christians can't ignore it
- What the Bible actually says about angels, evil spirits and unexplained phenomena
- How the extraterrestrial narrative is forming a competing worldview and spiritual alternative to Christ
- How entertainment and media shape belief
- Practical spiritual warfare for believers encountering these claims
- How pastors and families can address the subject wisely, without fear, sensationalism
- The end-times implications of the UFO phenomenon

Derrick is the executive producer of the companion documentary, [UFOs and God](#), set to release fall 2026. The film has screened at National Religious Broadcasters and film festivals. A six-week Bible study is in development for small groups and Sunday school classes.



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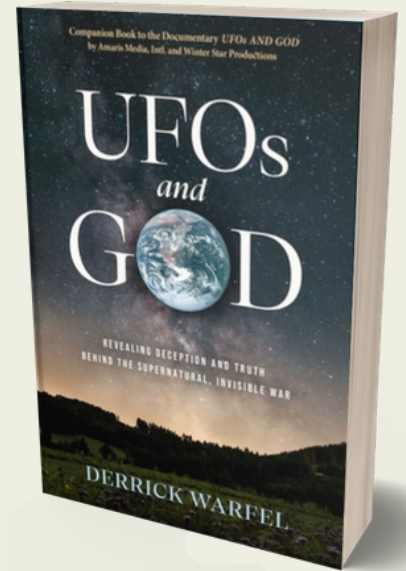
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ABOUT THE BOOK

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[*UFOs and God: Revealing Deception and Truth Behind the Supernatural, Invisible War*](#) is a biblically grounded, intellectually credible response to one of the fastest-growing cultural and spiritual conversations of our time. Drawing on his background in psychology, systematic theology and decades in film and media, Derrick Warfel examines the modern UFO phenomenon not as fringe speculation — but as a serious challenge to the Christian faith that the church can no longer afford to ignore. The book walks readers through what science, public opinion, and Scripture say about unexplained phenomena—then equips them with a biblical framework for understanding what is really happening, who these “beings” are and how believers can respond with discernment, not fear. From spiritual warfare to end-times implications, *UFOs and God* is pastoral, practical and urgently timely.

WHY IS IT RELEVANT?

- **UFO fascination is surging.** And with Steven Spielberg’s summer blockbuster, *Disclosure Day*, set to release, there will be even more questions from believers about the possibility of extraterrestrial life and what it means about our faith
- **Government disclosure hearings. Blockbuster films. Streaming documentaries.** All have brought the UFO conversation from the fringes into the mainstream. **Christians are asking questions—and the church isn’t ready to answer them.**
- A new spiritual challenge the church is unprepared for: Like the Enlightenment, Darwinism and liberal theology before it, **the UFO-as-extraterrestrial narrative** is forming a **competing worldview**—one that claims aliens, not God, are the source of life and truth. Young people especially are listening. The church needs a biblical framework now. This is **spiritual warfare**.
- **If believers and pastors don’t have solid answers before pop culture defines the narrative, the window closes.** Derrick Warfel wrote this book—and produced the companion film—to give the church the tools to respond wisely, clearly, and without fear.

READERS WILL:

- Understand what the Bible really says about the supernatural beings, good and evil, that have co-inhabited our world since creation and their goals and methods in their invisible world.
- Debunk the false narrative that UFOs represent extraterrestrial life
- Gain biblical and practical tools for spiritual warfare related to this phenomenon
- Learn how to talk about UFO claims with their families, churches and communities
- See how the UFO movement may be setting the stage for end-times deception
- Walk away with peace of mind grounded in biblical truth—not fear and confusion
- Find a reasoned guidebook on the UFO subject for those of the Christian faith, as well as an appendix explaining why the Christian worldview makes the most sense on this and other topics.

SUGGESTED QUESTIONS

- The book promises peace of mind, not fear. But this is genuinely frightening material. How do you hold the biblical urgency and the pastoral gentleness at the same time?
- You were on staff with **Campus Crusade** for eight years reaching college students. Looking at what's capturing the imagination of young people right now — **the alien contact movement, the starseed community**, the spiritual void research shows they're trying to fill — what does the church have to do differently?
- What does **spiritual warfare** look like for an ordinary believer who encounters UFO claims — not in some dramatic movie-style confrontation, but in a conversation with coworkers, family, a neighbor who's genuinely curious?
- **What does the Bible say** about unexplained phenomena and beings from outside our world?
- What is the danger if the church keeps ignoring the UFO conversation?
- How does your background as a filmmaker shape the way you think about **media narratives and belief formation**?
- How can **pastors, parents** talk about UFOs without sensationalizing or dismissing them?
- What steps can believers take to protect themselves from **spiritual deception**?
- How might the UFO phenomenon connect to end-times prophecy and the rise of a **global false religion**?
- Normally you produce narrative feature films and not documentaries and books, Why did you decide to write this book?
- You’ve studied this UFO phenomenon in detail with the documentary movie you executive produced and the book you wrote. Do you believe these UFOs are real? What proof is there?
- In addition to UFOs, do you believe there are other intelligent non human beings in the universe?
- Why is this important? What is at stake here for our nation, for people of faith?
- Who do you believe these beings are and what do they want?
- You don’t believe these beings are intergalactic visitors. Why? Who do you believe they are?
- You have said these beings may play a part in **Bible end times prophecy**. What do you think that may be?
- Where can I learn more?

MORE QUESTIONS

- The Boston Globe ran a piece arguing that UFO spirituality is growing precisely because it has no authority, no doctrine, no requirements — everyone gets their own truth. Why is that so appealing right now, and why is that actually the most dangerous kind of deception?
- You've spent 40 years in **Hollywood**. You know how this works. How deliberately is the entertainment industry — streaming docs, blockbusters, the History Channel — shaping what people are prepared to believe about who these beings are?
- The **documentary 'The Age of Disclosure'** recently made waves presenting government whistleblowers as though they were science fiction characters. You made a counter-documentary. What did you see in the cultural moment that made you say someone has to answer this?
- **Ancient Aliens** has been running for 20+ seasons. Tens of millions of people have watched it. A Princeton psychology graduate and Dallas Seminary theologian decides he needs to respond to a cable TV show — what does that tell us about what's actually at stake?
- You've said **entertainment** doesn't just reflect what culture believes — it shapes it. Give us a concrete example of how the UFO narrative is being constructed through storytelling in a way most Christians haven't noticed.
- There are even **documentaries** online training people how to contact these "space aliens" by transcendental meditation and Ouija boards. Are those using them toying with evil spirits?
- You've spent 40 years in Hollywood. What are the themes and memes Hollywood **filmmakers** are pushing about these "Extraterrestrials" that are dangerous and shaping public opinion. Why are they doing this?
- **Ephesians 6:12** says our struggle is "not against flesh and blood, but against the rulers, against the powers, against the world forces of this darkness." How does that verse reframe everything people think they know about the UAP phenomenon?
- The book argues these aren't extraterrestrials — they're **evil angels**. Help us understand what Scripture actually says about the angelic realm, and why the "they're just demons" dismissal isn't actually a sufficient answer.
- You studied under **Charles Ryrie and John Walvoord at Dallas Seminary** — two of the greatest systematic theologians in evangelical history. What would they have said about the UFO phenomenon? And what does Dallas Seminary's tradition of biblical theology give us that most responses to this topic lack?
- **Congress** recently held another round of **UAP hearings** — active-duty military personnel testified publicly about objects emerging from the ocean, outperforming our best aircraft, detected on multiple sensors. As a theologian, what are you hearing in that testimony that most journalists are missing?
- A government insider testified that **military witnesses** who reported UAP encounters had their careers destroyed, their clearances revoked, and faced intense pressure to stay silent. Does that pattern remind you of anything Scripture describes about the way **deception** operates?
- David Grusch — a decorated intelligence officer — told Congress under oath that the U.S. government has recovered "**non-human biologics**." How do we make sense of this if the theory is that they're just fallen spiritual beings?
- The government spent 80 years telling the public there was nothing to see here — and now Congress is holding transparency hearings and passing whistleblower protections. How does that **institutional dishonesty** affect people's ability to trust any institution — including the church?
- Why does the current scientific community reject this phenomenon?
- The book offers an overview of the timeline of **end-times prophecy** and how UFOs and the supernatural realm may play a part. Can you explain?
- A pastor tells you his congregation keeps asking questions about UAPs after the Congressional hearings and he has no idea what to say. What's the first thing you hand him?
- The beings that appear in UAP encounters consistently give the same message — **humanity is evolving, aliens seeded life on earth, God as Christians understand Him doesn't exist**. You write that this should be a red flag. Walk us through **what Scripture says about testing those claims**.



- A Northeastern University psychologist says UFO belief is filling a "God-sized hole" for people who've left the church. **Researchers are calling it a new religion**. What should that tell the evangelical church about what it's failing to provide?
- The #starseed movement on TikTok — where people believe they're alien souls in human bodies — is reaching millions. Conferences drawing thousands are now centered on **alien channeling and contact meditation**. How is this different from the **cults** and new religious movements the church has encountered before?
- You write in the book that this is the next great attack on the faith — after the **Enlightenment, Darwinism, and liberal theology**. Walk us through that historical pattern. Why does the church keep getting caught flat-footed and what are the consequences if it's not addressed?
- Could UFOs/visitors cause believers to lose their faith?

KEY MESSAGES

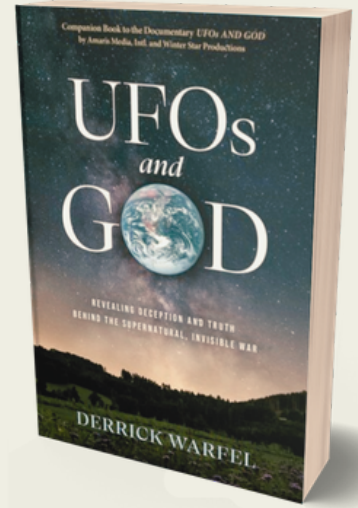
"The church has been caught off guard before — by the Enlightenment, by Darwinism, by liberal theology. UFOs are next and the church is largely unprepared. We must give believers the biblical framework and answers they need ... or culture will do it for us."

"This is not about whether you believe in little green men. It's about what happens when millions of people are told that beings with superior technology have better answers to our biggest questions than God does — and the church has nothing to say."

"Ninety-nine percent of UFO sightings have natural explanations. But that sticky one percent — what researchers call Residual UFOs — do not. The Bible gives us the most coherent explanation for what those encounters actually are."

"I am not writing to frighten anyone. I'm writing so that believers can stand with clarity and confidence. Sound theology gives real peace of mind. That is ultimately what this book is about."





WHY UFOS MATTER TO THE CHRISTIAN CHURCH

The soon-to-be widespread public acceptance of UFOs will hit the unprepared church like a ton of bricks.

The recent version of this deception has been around for about eighty years, and the church has laughed at and ignored it. But the church has ignored attacks like this before and has been whacked upside the head as a result. In the 1600s and 1700s—the Enlightenment era—many elite philosophers outside mainstream popular culture said the Bible and the great Christian philosophers like Augustine and Anselm were out of date. Modern philosophy claimed it had proved that Christianity’s stories, written down by the backwoods fishermen who traveled with Jesus, were nothing more than outdated old myths and lacked modern logic. The church ignored the challenge until it was too late. Based on my many years in academia, I know of no major university philosophy department today that takes Christian theology seriously.

In the 1800s, scientists such as biologist **Charles Darwin** and geologist **Charles Lyell** said they had shown that science now had a better and more scientific explanation for the existence of the cosmos and nature than a Creator God. In the mid-1800s, most common people had hardly heard of figures like Darwin and Lyell, but today the Christian explanation for creation is a joke at almost every major university. Even when a partial version of creation by a supreme being called “intelligent design” is proposed, it is enough to get Christians who are credentialed scientists kicked off university staffs (watch the movie *Expelled: No Intelligence Allowed*).

In the 1800s, many men became theologians in Germany because it was an easy way to get a degree and a cushy government church-state job in a parish or university—and they didn’t have to believe what the Bible taught. So they set out to write detailed academic books arguing that the Bible was a myth, that Moses didn’t really write the Pentateuch, and that the historical Jesus wasn’t the person the Gospels said he was. Not many pastors had heard about those elitist, German theologians, and no church took it seriously then, but by the 1960s most major Protestant seminaries rejected the historical basis for Christianity. They rejected the gospel of salvation from sin and simply taught a social gospel of good-works Christianity. And so, by 2022, George Barna at the Cultural Research Center at Arizona Christian University found that only 37 percent of Christian pastors held a biblical worldview and only 13 percent of youth pastors held a biblical worldview. Most today teach a syncretic combination of all sorts of beliefs. Of course, in the meantime, cults such as Mormonism, Jehovah’s Witnesses, and New Age religions rushed in to fill the spiritual gap. As G. K. Chesterton, mentor to C. S. Lewis, is believed to have said, “When men choose not to believe in God, they do not thereafter believe in nothing, they then become capable of believing in anything.”

And ever since these attacks, the church has been behind the eight ball and playing catch-up. But the public consensus had already formed, and like Europe, which used to be the flame of the Reformation, we in the United States are living increasingly in a post-Christian country. And post-Christian countries tend to censor Christians and persecute them. What is the church ignoring today? UFOs and space aliens. And we’ve made this mistake before.

For the last eighty years, since the alleged UFO crash in Roswell, New Mexico, there have been more credible sightings of UFOs and reports of contact with space aliens. To confuse the issue more, the government and UFOlogists are now calling them UAPs (unidentified aerial phenomenon, or unidentified anomalous phenomenon) because there is uncertainty about whether they are physical objects or just appear to be physical objects—or whether they go in the air and the water. For simplicity’s sake, I will refer to them as UFOs, as that is what most people still call them.

This outer space invasion has been a great source for **Hollywood**: E.T., Men in Black, The X Files, Marvel Comics heroes. These stories have injected the UFO and space alien phenomenon into the mainstream. “But they’re only movies. No one takes them seriously, right?” Maybe you don’t, but have you asked your kids? In the last twenty years, the onslaught of documentary TV series like Ancient Aliens have led to a groundswell of followers who believe that these space aliens aren’t fictional but are our “space brothers” and are here to guide us to the next stage of human evolution. These aliens supposedly have superior technology, evidenced by the craft they fly, which can travel exponentially faster than our best jets. They must have better answers to all the basic questions of life, such as, ‘*Who are we? How did we get here? What is our purpose here?*’

For many, those dusty old Bible myths are being tossed aside and replaced by this new knowledge from this advanced intergalactic race. There are even UFO cults forming. At the end of this book, we will look at how this movement could eventually pave the way for the end-times deceptions of the Antichrist and the final and total rejection of biblical Christianity. This book, along with its companion documentary UFOs and GOD, intends to answer these attacks, to keep the faithful from being deceived, and to provide far better biblical answers to this mysterious phenomenon. Hopefully, it will also provide a thought-provoking alternative to the drumbeat of documentaries and TV shows that may confuse a sincere inquirer about Christianity. These space aliens even say they are the ones who seeded human life here on earth in the first place, not a Creator God. Unbelievable!

Frankly, this is not the book I expected to be writing at this stage. I’m semiretired and have had other projects on the back burner, but as I began watching more documentaries—especially the History Channel’s *Ancient Aliens*—I was struck by how slick, well-produced, and convincing they were. Some of them reminded me of the intellectual attacks on the Christian faith that I had studied years earlier in seminary: the Enlightenment, the rise of scientism, and the search for the historical Jesus. Someone had to respond to this deception. I contacted a producer friend in LA, and we began to make a documentary. During the process, the main producer suggested, “Why don’t you write a companion book to the documentary?”

And here we are.