

Blood Sun

“Alt-History 101: Moses.”

The search for two Egyptologist grandparents who disappeared on a Nazi excavation in the Valley of the Dead in the 1930s leads to the black algae that Moses used to cause the Ten Plagues in Genesis, and the mega-billionaire couple collecting it, to fuel their all-consuming lust for infinite wealth and power.

Who: This is a family feature for Christians, Muslims, and Jews. Lots of educational value, and things to discuss with the kiddos. For everybody else, it’s still a wild ride into Roman and ancient Egyptian history – to the depths of civilization itself. Thriller. Action. Adventure.

What: Many books delve into long-lost ancient civilizations. That’s where some of the source material came from. When you look at it from an engineering perspective – wow! Very cool.

When: Everybody has flashbacks and recollections of the past, from the near-distant World War II to the Roman era and Antiquity beyond – long before the first pyramids were built.

Why: Alt-history is fun. Alt-history chased down by blood-thirsty billionaires is a hoot.

How: An innocent report was published in The London Times circa 1930: The Osireion and The Sphinx are 10,000 years old, 5,000 years older than the first primitive mud-brick pyramids. All the whole scientific world was outraged (and still is). The poor guy was destroyed. And yet, modern geological evidence proves he was correct. This drama ramps up the outrage again: this wasn’t just an underground temple built out of giant kindergarten blocks of granite. It was an engineered structure. It was part of an aqueduct system, a complicated design that took 5,000 years to reach its fruition in the Roman aqueduct systems. Who the F built this place?

Yawn: Boring! Indiana Jones 8.0? Enough already. And. Please, not even Hollywood can make a lame engineer into a hero. That’s why the real hero is a kick-ass lady archaeologist.

Sad fact: It’s too bad the modern war on religion disparages not just the whole God Almighty cult, but all of the wisdom and history woven into the Biblical stories. Look around you. Read the news. Bitterness, hatred, and antagonism are all the rage. F the whole Goodwill to all Men (people) thing. This is not a good harbinger of Peace on Earth.

Subtext: Delving into an antediluvian civilization, it’s damn near impossible to avoid the whole “Nazi Aryan Civilization” subtext. So one of the characters is a descendant of a notorious Nazi, trying to do good. Isn’t it time we took a good hard look at what really happened back then?

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