

Aliens and the Bible Paper

Name: _____

1. Overview: This paper is to explore and develop perspective based on reliable resources. Also, this issue is likely going to be relevant for some time and you should have an idea of this issue itself.
2. Requirements: This paper should be at least four paragraphs at minimum. Minimal effort denotes a minimal grade (see "Overall Effort" in rubric). This assignment must be typed and shared with me on Google drive by _____ . Arial font, double spaced, one inch margins.
3. Setup
 - a. Introduction: Explain intelligent life and the Catholic viewpoint of this issue. (Most readers decide to shut down or continue reading after the first couple sentences...make it awesome)
 - b. Body: Then answer the following questions.
 1. Paragraph 1: What does the Bible say about intelligent life beyond our planet? (backed by sources, preferably biblical in nature)
 2. Paragraph 2: Explain and defend your personal belief(s) about intelligent life beyond Earth. (opinion backed by sources)
 3. Paragraph 3: How is your perspective similar or different from the Catholic perspective? How is your perspective similar or different from the Biblical perspective? (opinion backed by sources)
 - c. Conclusion: Restate main points of introduction and body...then have an awesome conclusion (the last paragraph is generally the most remembered...besides the introduction).
4. Extra Credit (Staple to your paper)
 - a. Explain and defend for or against trying to contact other intelligent life. For any credit you must back your opinion with reliable sources. You must defend your opinion. This assignment must be at least a page long and include a introduction, body, and conclusion. This will also hone your paper producing skills in a fun way. :) Maximum of 10 EC points.

Required Content Breakdown				
	0pts	1pt	2pts	
What is intelligent life (aliens)?	Question is absent and/or incorrectly answered	Question is incomplete	Question is correctly answered, and is backed by a source	
What is the Catholic viewpoint on this issue?	Question is absent and/or incorrectly answered	Question is incomplete	Question is correctly answered, and is backed by a source	
What does the Bible say about intelligent life beyond our planet? (backed by source)	Question is absent and/or incorrectly answered	Question is incomplete	Question is answered, and is backed by a source	
Explain and defend your personal belief(s) about intelligent life beyond Earth. (opinion backed by sources)	Question is absent and/or incorrectly answered	Question is incomplete	Question is correctly answered, and is backed by a source	
How is your perspective similar or different from the Catholic perspective?	Question is absent and/or incorrectly answered	Question is incomplete	Question is present and correctly answered	
How is your perspective similar or different from the Biblical perspective?	Question is absent and/or incorrectly answered	Question is incomplete	Question is present and correctly answered	
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Required Aesthetic Breakdown	0pts	1pt	3pts	4pts
Organization	My paper was lacking in organization	My paper showed some transitions and flow of ideas.	My paper was organized.	
Overall Effort	Minimal requirements fulfilled	Some effort beyond minimal requirements	My paper went beyond the requirements of this assignment and it is very apparent	

What could we do to improve/make better? We appreciate constructive feedback...in fact it can only help your grade. Please take some time to write how you would want this activity to be done if you had to do it again. Thank you.

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