

## Patterns of Evidence -- Examined and Expanded

*Patterns of Evidence -- Exodus* is a well-produced movie that examines the historicity of the biblical Exodus. Contrasting views are presented, leaving the viewer to draw his or her own conclusion. But even in two hours, all views cannot be fully aired, and full coverage of the subject matter is very detailed and intricate even for experts.

Also, producer Tim Mahoney leans heavily on the work of David Rohl, who supports a major reorganization of Egyptian chronology. Even many scholars who believe the Bible is historically accurate do not think such a major revision is necessary to demonstrate that the biblical accounts are not just myth and legend as is currently believed by many credentialed archaeologists.

But although vital, the Exodus era is only one portion of the Bible. There are many other patterns of evidence that can be included in one's evaluation of biblical accuracy. Archaeologically, and historically, be sure to look at <https://scripturalscrutiny.com/2017/04/06/294/> (Lessons 11-14) for many cases where biblical accounts once considered myth or fiction are being shown to be history in just the last few decades. In addition, below you will find more archaeology from David Rohl which goes beyond the Exodus, as well as other impressive work by other experienced archaeologists regarding Sodom, Babel, Moses, the route of the Exodus, Joseph, David, and the proposition that early Hebrew may actually be the first phonetic alphabet.

But the pattern of evidence supporting the scriptures is wider than archaeology. Other lessons at <https://scripturalscrutiny.com/2017/04/06/294/> covering the complexity of life, the essential impossibility of evolution, the geological evidence for the flood, our unique position in the universe, fulfilled prophecies, the accurate transmission of the biblical text, and, supremely, the resurrection of Jesus, should all be woven into the much larger pattern of evidences that validate our faith in God, Christ, and the Bible. None of these evidence samount to absolute proof that no longer requires faith, but they are more than sufficient to nullify the common intimidating claim that science or history has shown God and the scriptures to be myth and tradition rather than truth.

As Christians we must examine all things and hold fast to what is true. As God is true, we should not fear facts -- even if they appear to contradict our favorite theory. It is tempting to accept a claim that appears to support the Bible without giving it proper scrutiny. To hold a theory too tightly that ultimately proves mistaken can disappoint us and give the watching world cause to say Christians are just gullible and easy prey for deception.

With that said, below are videos and articles representing different views from scholars featured in *Patterns of Evidence -- Exodus* as well as others who are involved in the upcoming sequel *Patterns of Evidence -- Moses*. There are sincere Bible believers who disagree with each other on various aspects of these issues. Interpretation is made on the basis of data available. Chronology is not absolute. Pottery interpretation is not absolute. Identification of locations is not absolute. But new evidence continues to turn up, and maintaining that the Bible is myth is more difficult every year.

(Listing a site that hosts these videos does not necessarily endorse the views of these hosts. You will find many more relevant links as you examine these!)

### Main Videos

**Why Sodom Matters - Genesis 13:1-12** - Dr. Steven Collins <https://youtu.be/3lf4rwTx3lc>

**Origins - Sodom & Gomorrah Part 1** - Dr. Steve Austin [https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Fz\\_EB5lgw1U](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Fz_EB5lgw1U)

**Origins - Sodom & Gomorrah Part 2** - Dr. Steve Austin <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=BX5EKfwPdt8>

**In-Depth Exploration of The City of David in Jerusalem** <https://youtu.be/YTdKznTA9iY>

**Hebrew as the World's Oldest Alphabet** - ASOR Presentation - Douglas Petrovich <https://m.youtube.com/watch?v=IYQZl0o2XI4>

**The Biblical Exodus... Fairytale or Historical Fact?** (by David Rohl) <https://youtu.be/QEm-ovpMM5c>

Timothy Mahoney: Patterns of Evidence Interview <https://youtu.be/UE4oHfQ34NU>

**Identifying the Post-Babel Dispersion** by Douglas Petrovich [https://youtu.be/r4\\_7KIM59rA](https://youtu.be/r4_7KIM59rA)

**Identifying Babel and its Tower** - Dr. Doug Petrovich <https://youtu.be/D1b3jzT5GkE>

## **Additional Videos and Related Articles**

**Did the Exodus Really Happen?** (Audio Interview with Douglas Petrovich) <https://youtu.be/BdfMEhTzFr0>

**The Exodus Route: A scriptural proof, with the witness of history and archeology** by Steve Rudd  
<http://www.bible.ca/archeology/bible-archeology-exodus-route.htm>

**The Exodus Timeline and Pharaoh** by Steve Rudd  
<http://www.bible.ca/archeology/bible-archeology-exodus-date-1440bc.htm>

**AMENHOTEP II AND THE HISTORICITY OF THE EXODUS-PHARAOH** BY DOUGLAS PETROVICH  
<http://exegetisinternational.org/pdf/ExodusPharaohArticle.pdf>

**Amenhotep II as Pharaoh of the Exodus** - William Shea PhD (much discussion in comments)  
<http://www.biblearchaeology.org/post/2008/02/22/Amenhotep-II-as-Pharaoh-of-the-Exodus.aspx>

**A Brief history of time: Who were the Pharaohs of the Exodus?** Dr. Steve Collins  
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=uur0AqUvpxE>

**New Discoveries Indicate Hebrew was World's Oldest Alphabet**  
<http://patternsofevidence.com/blog/2017/01/06/new-discoveries-indicate-hebrew-was-worlds-oldest-alphabet/>  
<http://patternsofevidence.com/blog/2017/01/12/new-discoveries-indicate-hebrew-was-worlds-oldest-alphabet-part-2/>  
<http://patternsofevidence.com/blog/2017/01/19/new-discoveries-indicate-hebrew-was-worlds-oldest-alphabet-part-3/>

ABR Associate Dr. Doug Petrovich Reveals Ancient "Moses" Inscription  
<http://www.biblearchaeology.org/post/2017/01/08/ABR-Associate-Dr-Doug-Petrovich-Reveals-Ancient-Moses-Inscription.aspx>

**Ophel inscription: oldest Hebrew writing in Jerusalem corroborates biblical history** by Dr. Douglas Petrovich  
<https://creation.com/ophel> .

Free access to many archaeological, chronological, textual, and theological works by Douglas Petrovich, PhD:  
<https://thebibleseminary.academia.edu/DouglasPetrovich>

For Dr. Steve Collins' work on Sodom go to [www.digsodom.com](http://www.digsodom.com) and for related papers relating to it go to <http://www.tallemhammam.com/related-publications.html> His responses to his critics include their entire articles so you can read their criticism and his response.

Dr. Eugene Merrill chronological critique of the identification of Tall El-Hammam as Sodom by Dr. Steve Collins:  
**Texts, Talls, and Old Testament Chronology: Tall Hammam as a Case Study** by Eugene H. Merrill  
<http://www.radioscribe.com/MerrillRebuttal.pdf>

**The Rise and Fall of the 13th Century Exodus-Conquest Theory** by Bryant G. Wood PhD  
<http://www.biblearchaeology.org/post/2008/04/17/The-Rise-and-Fall-of-the-13th-Century-Exodus-Conquest-Theory.aspx#Article>

**David Rohl's Revised Egyptian Chronology: A View From Palestine** by Bryant G. Wood PhD  
<http://www.biblearchaeology.org/post/2007/05/23/David-Rohls-Revised-Egyptian-Chronology-A-View-From-Palestine.aspx#Article>

**Extra-Biblical Evidence for the Conquest** by Bryant G. Wood PhD  
<http://www.biblearchaeology.org/post/2007/05/30/Extra-Biblical-Evidence-for-the-Conquest.aspx#Article>

**Another broken arrow in the quiver of Apologetics: A Review of the film “Patterns of Evidence”** by Larry Largent  
<http://biblicalremains.com/another-broken-arrow-in-the-quiver-of-apologetics-a-review-of-the-film-patterns-of-evidence/> Simply put, Mahoney doesn't consider a large enough data set. When trying to link the biblical chronology to the archaeological record we can't just account for the pattern of the exodus: the arrival of the Hebrews in Egypt, their multiplication and enslavement, the eventual judgment of Egypt and subsequent exodus and conquest of Canaan. We also have to account for every period thereafter: the arrival of the philistines, and period of the judges, the united monarchy, civil war and Shishak's attack, and the divided kingdoms of Israel and Judah.

**My Papers on Chronology - Roger Young - Corrections to Theile**  
<http://rcyoung.org/papers.html>

**Chronology of the Old Testament: A Return to the Basics** by Floyd Nolen Jones.  
[http://www.ntslibrary.com/PDF%20Books II/Jones -%20Chronology of the OT.pdf](http://www.ntslibrary.com/PDF%20Books%20II/Jones%20-%20Chronology%20of%20the%20OT.pdf)

**Egypt's New Chronology** with David Rohl (2.5 hour audio interview)  
<https://m.youtube.com/watch?v=l2YacYRLGSI>

BiblePlaces Blog: **Arguments Against Locating Sodom at Tall al-Hammam**  
<https://www.biblicalarchaeology.org/wp-content/uploads/arguments-against-locating-sodom-at.html>  
(read the comments at the end of the article for a response by Dr. Steve Collins)

**Locating Zoar** Steven Collins responds to a letter by Bill Schlegel <https://www.biblicalarchaeology.org/daily/archaeology-today/biblical-archaeology-topics/locating-zoar/>  
(read the comments at the end of the article for a response by Dr. Steve Collins)

**The Discovery of the Sin Cities of Sodom and Gomorrah** Bryant G. Wood, PhD  
<http://www.biblearchaeology.org/post/2008/04/16/The-Discovery-of-the-Sin-Cities-of-Sodom-and-Gomorrah.aspx#Article>

**Sodom and Gomorrah: Is There Evidence for Their Destruction?** Bryant G. Wood, PhD  
<http://www.biblearchaeology.org/post/2008/05/06/Sodom-and-Gomorrah-Is-There-Evidence-for-Their-Destruction.aspx>

**Tall el-Hammam 2008: A Personal Perspective - Gary Byers**  
<http://www.biblearchaeology.org/post/2009/01/12/Tall-el-Hammam-2008-A-Personal-Perspective.aspx#Article>

**Digging for Truth Audio Series: Archaeological Evidence for Moses and the Exodus - Bryan Windle**  
<http://www.biblearchaeology.org/post/2017/01/24/Digging-for-Truth-Audio-Series-Archaeological-Evidence-for-Moses-and-the-Exodus.aspx#Article>

**SEAL SHOWS JERUSALEM WAS STRONG, CENTRAL CITY**  
<http://patternsofevidence.com/blog/2018/01/12/seal-shows-jerusalem-was-strong-central-city/>

**Recent Research on the Date and Setting of the Exodus - Bryant G. Wood, PhD**  
<http://www.biblearchaeology.org/post/2009/10/19/Recent-Research-on-the-Date-and-Setting-of-the-Exodus.aspx#Article>

**The Name Yahweh in Egyptian Hieroglyphic Texts** - by Charles Aling PhD and Clyde Billington PhD  
<http://www.biblearchaeology.org/post/2010/03/08/The-Name-Yahweh-in-Egyptian-Hieroglyphic-Texts.aspx#comment> (See <http://www.radioscribe.com/bknspade.htm> and <http://www.bibleartifax.com> for more of Drs. Aling and Billington who were interviewed in *Patterns of Evidence - Exodus*)

**Synchronizing the Bible and Chronology** by Steve Collins, PhD <https://youtu.be/lDb8YrFoc34>

**Detailed presentation on Sodom plus Sunami Destruction of Mother Cultures** by Steve Collins, PhD  
<https://m.youtube.com/watch?v=Dch8EGG43IU>

**The Exodus from Egypt**, a Lecture with Dr. James Hoffmeier (Interviewed in *Patterns of Evidence - Exodus*) <https://m.youtube.com/watch?v=m2vhrK6Wczs>

**Did the Israelites Conquer Jericho? A New Look at the Archaeological Evidence** - Bryant G. Wood PhD  
<http://www.biblearchaeology.org/post/2008/05/01/did-the-israelites-conquer-jericho-a-new-look-at-the-archaeological-evidence.aspx>

**Was There an Exodus & Conquest?** - Cross Examined by Frank Turek  
<http://crossexamined.org/was-there-an-exodus-conquest/>

**NAVIGATING THE "PATTERNS OF EVIDENCE" FOR THE BIBLICAL EXODUS** - by Ted Wright  
<http://crossexamined.org/navigating-patterns-evidence-biblical-exodus/>

**The Dating of Hazor's Destruction in Joshua 11 Via Biblical, Archaeological, and Epigraphical Evidence** by Douglas Petrovich <http://www.biblearchaeology.org/post/2011/01/06/The-Dating-of-Hazors-Destruction-in-Joshua-11-Via-Biblical-Archaeological-and-Epigraphical-Evidence.aspx>