

Foreword



B.J. Corbin south of Mount Ararat 1998
Courtesy of B.J. Corbin

The search for Noah's Ark has fascinated me for years. I participated in an expedition to Mount Ararat in 1985. I was the doctor for the PROBE team organized by Bill Crouse and John McIntosh. Some incredible things happened to us on that particular trip, but I will let the explorers of Ararat give you the details later in this book. From then on, I decided to stay home and write books, because it is much safer.

B.J. Corbin and Rex Geissler have taken a valuable approach to the subject by making *The Explorers of Ararat—And the Search for Noah's Ark* a truly collaborative effort involving most of the top Ararat expedition leaders in the country as well as the history surrounding the search including the alleged eyewitnesses. What you are about to read are the actual firsthand accounts written by the explorers and the alleged eyewitnesses. Never has there been a book on the subject of Noah's Ark with so much collective experience. The explorers in this book account for nearly one hundred expeditions to Turkey. B.J. was a team member with Dr. Charles Willis in 1988, with Chuck Aaron and Bob Garbe in 1989, with Dr. Don Shockey in 1990, and with Robert Michelson and Jim Hall in 1998, while Rex's Arclmaging organization has been on expeditions in 2000, 2001, and 2006 with

Arclmaging receiving the first federal permission for research from Turkey since 1990. B.J. and Rex's combined years of research and seven trips to Mount Ararat give them a unique and qualified perspective on the search for Noah's Ark.

The thing that I really appreciate about B.J. Corbin and Rex Geissler is that they do not jump to conclusions. They attempt to objectively weigh the evidence and demands conclusive proof before he will accept any premature announcement that Noah's Ark has been found. This ability to step back and analyze the data objectively before jumping forward to a conclusion is an extremely desirable quality for any reputable explorer.

I met B.J. when he and his wife were providing the music for one of my national book seminars. B.J. and Jennifer write and perform Christian music and were my special musical guests. I feel that it was no coincidence that we met under those circumstances and found we had both been to Mount Ararat.

I think you will enjoy the fact that each chapter is a separate story in itself. Having been to Mount Ararat, I respect the explorers who risk their lives in the search. Our hope is that a conclusive discovery would help stir the heart of the unbeliever to accept our modern day Ark of salvation, Jesus Christ.

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