

to hold it for a century or more and then they were driven out and then the Egyptians tried to forget their land had every been conquered by foreigners and did not even put up monuments to say they had been sent out, that they had driven them out. It was only by the mention of some of the Hyksos in some of the inscriptions in the tombs of the nobles that we began to learn the facts about this vital event in Egyptian history. But after that the Egyptians always made sure they had plenty of horses. Egypt was the great land of the horse, and we read about Solomon that he sent to Egypt for horses. So Dr. Wilson said, The fact that this account does not mention horses is a pretty good evidence that it is an accurate account of the time of Abraham and not an imaginary account of the later Israelite time.

Well I heard Dr. Wilson give this illustration and then I began giving lectures about archaeology on various occasions and I gave the same illustration. Then I quit giving it and for 20 years I never gave it. And the reason was this. That I picked up a book by Prof. Peet of the University of Liverpool on Egypt and the OT in which Prof. Peet tries to show that the OT is absolutely untrue so far as its details of ancient times is concerned. And Prof. Peet said, Well it is true of course that the horse was unknown at the time of Abraham and was very common in Egypt later, and it is strange there is no mention of horses, but he said, What about the camels? The verses that he had said servants and she asses and camels. Now Prof. Peet said the camel was unknown in Egypt until the 5th cent. B.C. and he said to mention camels in connection with Egypt --- well he said somebody up in Palestine/there were loads of camels there, the desert there. It would be natural for them to think Abraham had gotten camels in Egypt but it just doesn't fit.

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Well I said, This is God's word. This is true. I believe it. But as far as this particular problem is concerned, I don't know the answer, and I'll put it on the shelf until there is an answer, but whether it will be found in my lifetime I don't know. Then one day I was at the U. of Chicago and I attended a lecture by the Director of the Oriental Institute there on Recent Discoveries regarding the Fauna and Flora of Ancient Egypt. And he described what had been found out about Egyptian animals and plants during the last two yrs. before that and he mentioned in the course of that