



The Opening Heavens: An Early Advent Believer's Study Into Astronomy and the Opening in Orion

By Joseph Bates

Waymark Books, United States, 2012. Paperback. Book Condition: New. 216 x 140 mm. Language: English . Brand New Book ***** Print on Demand *****.Joseph Bates was an avid student of the stars. As a well-traveled sea captain, he had gazed at them from many remote places in the world. After becoming a Christian, Bates studied astronomy in conjunction with the Bible, eventually publishing *The Opening Heavens*. In this tract, Bates reasoned that the biblical references to heaven being opened (John 1:51, Rev. 19:11) and to the New Jerusalem descending were referring to events that would occur in one location in the sky, the middle star of Orion's sword. Bates quoted astronomer Christiaan Huygens, who in 1656 had described the opening in the sky through which a brighter region was visible. For Bates, the region beyond must be the heaven of heavens streaming forth God's glory. Bates had read astronomer James Ferguson's descriptions of cloudy stars and how the most remarkable of all the cloudy stars is in Orion's sword, containing an opening into deeper space. He was convinced Huygens' opening was the gateway to heaven. Later, Bates watched Ellen White in vision traveling to other planets...



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