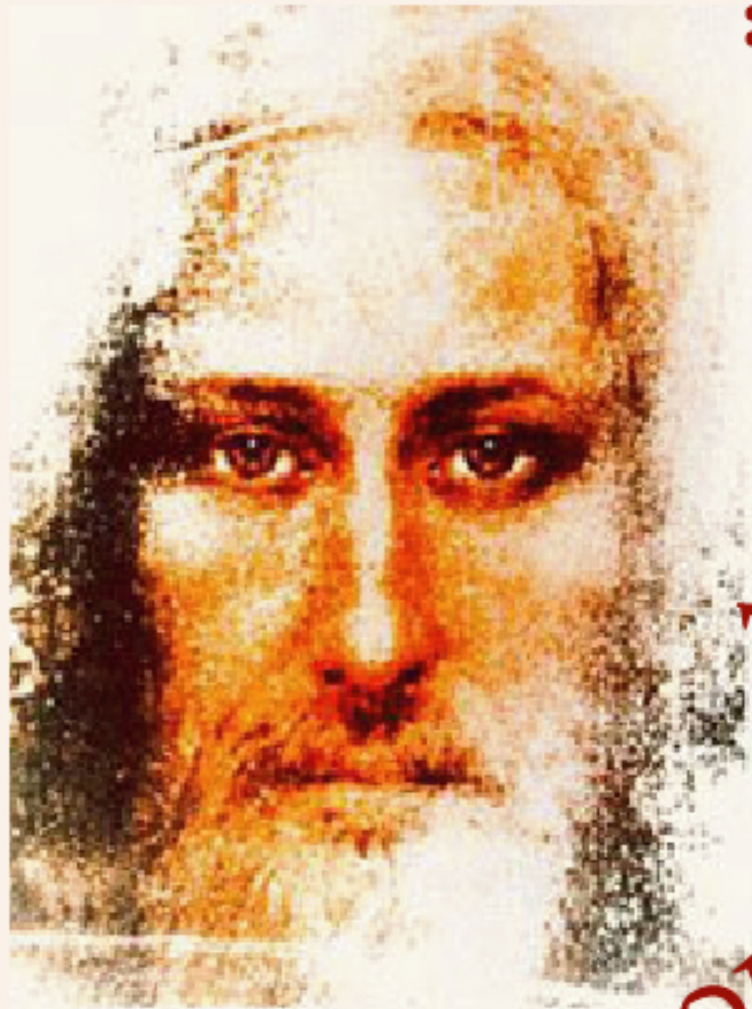


The Gospel of John ~ Part Two:



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“If the Lord was indeed incarnate, the story presents no insuperable difficulties. But of course such a creative act is quite incredible if He is other or less than God incarnate.”

William Temple, *Readings in St. John's Gospel*

Astronomical Distance

Speed of Light – 186,000 miles per second

Light would travel around the earth at the Equator over 7 times per second

Distance to the Moon is 2.5 light *seconds*

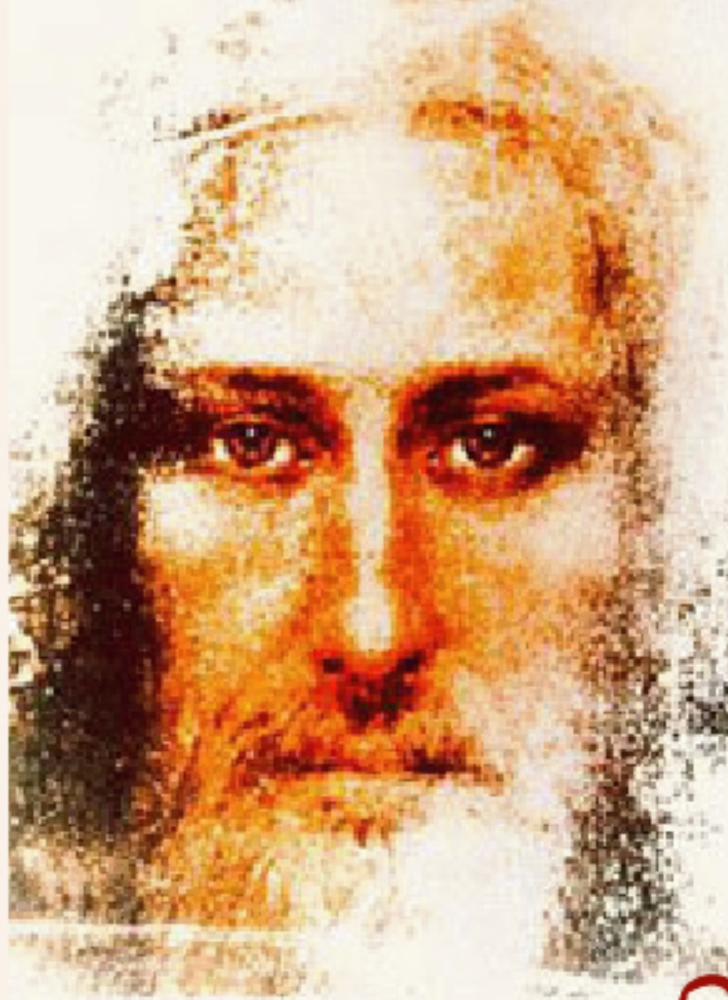
Distance to the Sun is 8 light *minutes*

Distance to Pluto is 4.5 light *hours*

Distance to nearest star is 3.5 *light years*

If everything were reduced in size by a factor of a *billion*.

- **Then the Earth would be about the size of a grape. The Moon would be a foot from the Earth**
- **The Sun would be about 5 feet in diameter and about a city block from the Earth**
- **Jupiter would be the size of a large grapefruit and 5 blocks away from the Sun**
- **Saturn, the size of an orange, would be 10 blocks away**
- **Uranus and Neptune, lemons, 20 and 30 blocks away**
- **A human on this scale would be the size of an atom**
- **But the nearest star would be over 24,000 miles away!!**



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