The Shroud of Turin An Enduring Mystery

Part 5: Integration & Conclusions

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Introduction

This is our last meeting. Our five part course is divided into sessions: 1) Introduction, 2) Science, 3) History, 4) Skeptics & Images, and now we've reached the final session: 5) Integration & Conclusions. At this point we'll review a little and try to sum up. We'll also look at what the future may hold and how the shroud has affected the art world and the religious world. Finally we'll try to weigh the evidence in the balance. What can we say with confidence? What is more speculative? What would totally convincing evidence look like? Finally you will have to decide where you stand and we'll talk about the positions that seem indicated.

Resources

Websites

www.shroud.com The premier Shroud of Turin site founded by Barrie Schwortz. **www.shroud.com/pdfs/** a directory full of pdf files by a wide variety of shroud researchers

http://www.sindonology.org/ Mario Latendresse's website which includes the Shroud Scope
http://www.sindonology.org/shroudScope/shroudScope.shtml Shroud Scope
http://www.sindonology.org/photomicrographs.shtml#locations Photo Micrographs

http://shroudencounter.com/ Russ Breault's website on encountering the shroud http://www.shrouduniversity.com/ Website archiving many videos and papers

http://shroudstory.com/ Dan Porter's blog which is a good source for what's going on right now

Homework

You might want to do a little internet research or if you have artistic talent you might try your hand at making a shroud image. What do you think are the most powerful arguments in favor of the shroud and what are the most effective arguments against authenticity?

