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| 1421 CE | Who: Chinese Sailor Zheng He | Evidence:* Zheng He created maps showing the west coast of Africa.
* Submerged Limestone Breakwater (dock for ships) found in the Caribbean – man made but unsure of its origin
* 1763 Map creator describes getting his information from one of Zheng He’s maps. Map shows all 7 continents.
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| 455 CE | Who:Chinese Buddiest Monk Xuanzang | Evidence:* Tells stories of far off lands. He describes the length of time it takes to get there. Ocean current data matches the length of time he described.
* Round anchor stones found off the coast of California (35 in total). Trying to rule out that they could be created by nature.
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| 1150 CE | Who:Madic of Wales | Evidence:* Columbus describes following Madic’s route to the Americas in his writing.
* Native American Tribe – the Mandans- show European traits such as light hair and blue eyes
* Legends from Wales describe Madic using a Viking type boat that has proven to be capable of making the trip to the Americas.
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| 1000 CE | Who:Polynesians | Evidence:* Polynesian type fish hooks found off the coast of California.
* Live in an island nation – very experienced sailors
* Used a 60 foot sea going canoe – recreated one called the Hokulea, made the voyage easily
* Transfer of goods and language – South America gave the Polynesians sweet potatoes, Polynesians use the same name as the South Americans for sweet potato and this word is not native to their language.
* Transfer of goods – Chicken bones found in South American date to much older than Columbus. Chickens were originally thought to have been brought by Columbus and his men. That has been disproved.
* Chumash tribe in California/ Oregon use a special technique to build the canoes. This is the same technique used by the Polynesians to build there canoes. No one else in the world uses this technology.
* Ocean current data supports the possibility of this trip.
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| 1000 CE | Who: Erik the Red/ Leif Erickson | Evidence:* Very well know explorer know to have reached Greenland and the east coast of Canada.
* Runestones found dated to 200 years old.
* Butternuts found in Americas - they do not normally grow there they are native to Scandinavia
* L’Anse Aux Meadows in Newfoundland is a known Viking site. They describe a place called “Vineland” thei could be the United States.
* Viking coin found in New England in the United States. Dates to the time of Leif Erickson.
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| 530 CE | Who: Saint Brendan the Navigator | Evidence:* Ukums – Irish language of hash marks found in Kentucky.
* Columbus said “I go to find the promised land of Saint Brendan.”
* Connecticut Site- evidence of early Irish religious features and structures.
* Tales from Ireland describe Brendan sailing to a far off land. He described many tales from the New World.
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| 600 CE | Who: Ancient Hebrews | Evidence:* They were exiled from Jerusalem thought to have traveled across the ocean.
* Believed to be the ancestors of the Cherokee people. DNA project to test tribe members still ongoing
* Important religious dates to Cherokee match important religious dates to the Jewish religion.
* Paleo Hebrew bones have found all over the United States. Tested but can’t find a positive date.
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| 22,000 BCE | Who:Solutreans | Evidence:* The Ice Age dropped the ocean levels 450 feet.
* People were believed to have followed the ice sheet from Europe to the Americas.
* Biface tool called a Clovis Point was found within a mammoth skeleton only used by Solutreans in Europe not any Asian cultures.
* Many Clovis Point tools and weapons have been found on the east coast of the United States and the oldest has been dated to approximately 50,000 old.
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| 3044 BCE | Who:Japanese (Jumon Culture) | Evidence:* Pottery found in Ecuador and in the Jumon culture of Japan only.
* Pottery was found to have 26 similarities in technique and design.
* Rare virus found only in people from a small part of japan was found in mummies from South America.
* People of Ecuador have Asian type features on their faces.
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| 2010 CE | Who:Polynesians(same group as number 4) | Evidence:* Currently trying to test bones found along the coast of Chile.
* Bones found to have Polynesian Traits – Rocker Jaw and shape of skull.
* Bones found in Oregon/Washington area believed to be Chumash also show Polynesian trait of the Rocker Jaw
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