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David and Reuben Hickox

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To: "O. J. Hickox" <hickox@haloisp.net>

Tue, Jan 30, 2018 at 11:49 AM

Hello,

I hope all is well. I've been thinking, and I wanted to discuss an idea with you. I think we have quite a bit of evidence supporting the theory that David is the son of Reuben, but nothing conclusive. I've had an idea about how we might be able to put this to bed.

We would need to have a direct male decedent who can document the line with good primary evidence take a y-dna test. Then have a direct male decedent of Reuben do the same. If they match, we know 100% they have a common male ancestor. Combine that with the evidence we have, and I think we may be able to solve this one.

What do you think? I know you took the ancestry test, which is similar but isn't y-DNA. Y-dna is only passed down father to son, and had very little chance of changeing over the generations.

O. J. Hickox <hickox@haloisp.net>
To: Jason Crews <jason.crews@gmail.com>

Wed, Feb 7, 2018 at 4:00 PM

Jason-

Sorry to be so late responding to this, my PC has been sick and in the hospital.

At any rate, your idea would work if we could locate a male-to-male direct descendant of Reuben with the surname Hickox outside our Yankee Dave line and one willing to participate. The rub is, of course, how to do that. I have no idea where to start, do you ?

In the absence of that kind of closure, I take solace in the several Ancestry.com DNA matches I have with others who can show a descent from Reuben. I feel that we are not likely to ever get anything as definitive as we'd like, but I feel comfortable with the conclusion that Reuben was YD's father, based on the DNA evidence we have and the other info included in my paper that I shared with you.

-OJ

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Jason Crews <jason.crews@gmail.com>
To: "O. J. Hickox" <hickox@haloisp.net>

Thu, Feb 8, 2018 at 11:34 AM

Oh, I thought I remembered you saying that you had some dna matches through ancestry on Reuben. Am I misremembering?

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O. J. Hickox <hickox@haloisp.net>
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Thu, Feb 8, 2018 at 12:35 PM

I have several DNA matches, via ancestry, with descendants of Reuben whose relationship to me are about right given the number of generations that have passed since his life-time. I don't have a match directly with him for obvious reasons- we don't have a DNA sample from him. If we could convince some of his living descendants to dig him up, I suppose we might be able to get one. But that would be an expensive undertaking and I doubt anyone would be interested in disturbing the Old Boy's rest. I'm satisfied with what we have, but I will continue to periodically check to see if any male Hickoxes that descend from him show up in my cousins matches. If that happens, I'll let you know.

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Thu, Feb 8, 2018 at 12:42 PM

See that's what I am saying. You don't need a smoke from him. You have in you his dna, and so would any other male descendent. Do you have any male matches descending from other sons?

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O. J. Hickox <hickox@haloisp.net>
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Thu, Feb 8, 2018 at 2:35 PM

I don't have any direct male-to-male only descendants of Reuben in my DNA matches that I'm aware of. That's what it's going to take to do a definitive y-DNA test, because that is passed from father to son. Any break with a female in the line will not convey the father's y-DNA markers any further. I will continue to look periodically for a match that meets that requirement.

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Thu, Feb 8, 2018 at 3:10 PM

I see, that's unfortunate. I'll investigate what I can, and see what ideas I have.

One thought is that you can send me the names of some of those matches, and I can reach out to them about living hickox cousins.

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