

## THE SEVEN DAYS OF CREATION

This discussion is only a brief description of [The Seven Days of Creation](#) as I see them and why. I feel it is more edifying for most of us to work out an understanding on our own through prayer and meditation.

To me the Bible is primarily revealing to us how to grow spiritually. We can do this better if we understand our spiritual being well enough to know the proper way to grow spiritually. I believe the first chapter of Genesis tells us how to do this by revealing the steps or levels of spiritual growth and the creation of our spiritual being, not the outer manifestation. Although the outer manifestation was probably created simultaneously to manifest the spiritual Creation symbolically, this is not the Bible's primary message. Each step or level is called a day.

We must remember that communication can only begin between two individuals at the level of understanding they have in common. If we meet someone who has never seen a car, then we must find common concepts with which he is familiar to describe a car to him. Consider how this might be done with a man who knows nothing about civilization. We would have to live with him for awhile to get to know how he views different situations. We could then use those common concepts of his to describe a car to him. If this description was recorded and read hundreds of years later by someone more familiar with cars than the old concepts, then our description might not be seen for what it is. They may see a description of how natural objects still in existence occurred for an entirely different reason than that originally intended.

Consider an Indian who writes a story about his tribe and mentions an Iron Horse. After his book is discovered years later, others may read his account. The term Iron Horse, as the Indian used it, may no longer be recog-

nized as a train. They, therefore, feel it is a common object they see, a statue of a horse made of iron. The Indian described a train to his people by using concepts with which they were familiar. The train served the same, basic purpose for the white man as the horse for the Indian. Years later those same words reveal concepts for which the people of that time are more familiar.

GOD has conveyed HIS Message to us through HIS Prophets in the same way. HE has used objects whose basic purpose has not changed from generation to generation. This method of communication can actually prevent the problem described above with the Indian. By using symbols with unchanging purposes, many of the problems of changing purposes of written words and inexact translations are eliminated. For us to see the message, we must see a relationship of correct purposes for the symbols conveying the message. First we must recognize the basic purpose of the Biblical message. The Bible message cannot be recognized if we are looking for self-serving purposes.

Since it is GOD's Nature we are to express, HIS Seven Main Aspects must be expressed in the process. On the word picture I show one of these Aspects for each day.

Genesis 1:1-2

We are told that the earth was formless and void. The Earth we know is round, and any kind of shape would be form. If it were the outer manifestation, the indicated earth would definitely have form. This earth is not the Earth we know or even the earliest form of it. Then the impression of limitless water is given. If an Infinite Being expressed HIMSELF infinitely, consider what the result would be. This would be like taking an automobile and reducing it to its fundamental

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components of matter or even energy. GOD couldn't do this to HIMSELF. HE could do this in an artificial and created reality as mentioned in the discussion on "Creation - How Can It Be?" Now GOD is expressed in the most fundamental way to become the created reality symbolizing all GOD is by an infinite Creation. The substance of this way is the earth mentioned here and is infinite. Since it is an infinite spiritual manifestation, it is without form. Since there are no higher relationships of any kind, it is void.

Now this formless void, called earth, is described as deep waters because water has spiritual meanings to us that we take for granted. Water as we know it has form. It also has useful purposes such as cleansing, being necessary for life, and many other attributes. What better description to use for the most fundamental manifested Nature of GOD. This water is the elemental building block to create higher relationships and create the Nature of GOD in us. If water is the elemental Nature of GOD, then only water can be used to build the Nature of GOD step by step. The correct substance must be used. This substance must always begin at the lowest level and build from there. Water is symbolic of the most elemental Nature of GOD before any spiritual relationships occur using this spiritual water as the substance of the relationship. Again familiar objects that do have form are used to reveal the spiritual concepts being conveyed which are without form. Consider John 7:38-39.

At this point this earth is a formless manifestation described as water at the Spirit level of the word picture. The lower levels may or may not have existed yet. Later verses reveal that at least two levels didn't exist yet.

Genesis 1:3-5

Now spiritual growth can begin because all is present in the easiest to learn condition. The first step toward any relationship is the revelation of the possibility of that relationship. We could be in a completely dark room when a spotlight suddenly revealed an unfamiliar object to us. We would now know of the possibility of that object. This light is a GOD given revelation. All spiritual growth of Man began by revelation from GOD to someone at sometime. After the revelation this person passed it on to Mankind with common, symbolic forms in the outer manifestation. There is only one way an individual can receive a revelation. It is for GOD to use learned concepts Man has experienced to form what is revealed. Man must also seek a higher relationship of those concepts to solve a problem of which he is confronted. Therefore the individual must be ready to see the revelation because he has an understanding of the concepts forming the higher concept to be revealed by the revelation. The revelation is always given to our seeking Spirit searching for an answer to a problem or a higher understanding. Throughout the Bible we are told to seek GOD with all our heart, soul, mind, and strength. So the first step in spiritual growth to any higher level is our understanding true concepts which can be used to form a higher true concept. Then GOD reveals a higher concept to our seeking Spirit by using the lesser concepts we do know. Seek, and you will find. GOD is always true to HIS Promises. We only have to do our part to receive the Promise. We must desire it with every fiber of our being.

Genesis 1:6-8

On the second day GOD separates the waters and creates a firmament or expanse between them. I see the word firmament to be a better description although I am certain this firmament is also expansive. The word fir-

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mament is almost self-explanatory. It is a firmness. Consider the characteristics of Principle. Principle is actually an expression of the Spirit as a lower Cause. This expression is comparable to the nature of law of which we are more familiar. Principle is at a much higher level than law though. GOD's SPIRIT is unchanging, and so is Principle. It would take an infinite number of laws to fully define Principle. Principle is then the determining expression of what must happen. It is difficult to describe the difference between Principle and Truth, but there is a difference. They are complimentary spiritual Aspects. Principle expresses what must happen while Truth expresses how or the way it must happen.

On the first day a higher concept is revealed. On the second day Principle expresses the what of all possibilities of that which must be done. Principle is an infinite number of laws, and anything can be done in many ways. Thus there must be some way of filtering out only what is needed to accomplish this one task in the correct way. Keep in mind though that Principle has nothing to do with the way anything is done. Principle only expresses the infinite possibilities of what is to be.

At least this one heaven was created during the Seven Days. Heaven is always the Expression of CAUSE and the it-is-happening time reference of Life.

Genesis 1:9-13

On the third day GOD gathers the waters below the heavens or firmament to one place, and dry land appeared. Again familiar objects are being used to describe spiritual concepts or conditions. Consider the individual nature of Intellect, the third Main Aspect of GOD. Consider how Intellect would be with-

out any feeling or Life qualities to compliment it. The Nature of GOD is full of Life. Now this Life has been gathered or separated from the complimentary Aspect of Itself. What is left is cold and lifeless similar to a computer. Intellect is going to deal with the symbolic reality of the outer manifestation, the world we sense directly with our senses. This temporary world is symbolic and unreal. Thus, a lifeless and temporary means must be created to know this world.

Now the means for separating out the many possibilities of what can be done is present, and that process begins. Law applies to the formation of form type of relationships. Law only deals with symbols though, and the relationship of these symbols' purposes is symbolizing the true, spiritual Life. Plants are therefore used as the medium for conveying this concept. Plants have life-like characteristics without consciousness. This should also give us a clue as to why GOD spoke to Moses from a bush. All that GOD does has a purpose. We only need to seek the why to learn the purpose.

Notice that in the Creation Story plants begin growing before the Sun is put in the heavens. Today we know that plants need the Sun to grow. This should be one of the clues to us that the Story is allegorical. Why would a GOD of perfect order change the order after HE created it the first time. Man's interpretation slanders GOD over and over.

Intellect by itself lacks any kind of direction. Intellect causes law to be expressed for what can happen in the symbolic world. Intellect lacks direction, though, as to which what or possibility is correct for this particular revelation of the higher concept. After Intellect receives direction and experiences the Truth of the direction received, understanding becomes the reservoir of accepted possibilities.

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Intellect expresses law according to understanding developed by experience but learns law by actually forming higher symbols from previously learned symbols.

Genesis 14-19

Now comes the difficult concept to explain. I have been wrestling with this one for some-time. My initial thoughts were that the stars were symbolic of the Promises of GOD. The moon was our Soul, and the sun was the expression of Christ. I still feel the stars are symbolic of GOD's Promises. The moon and the sun I view differently now because of the many hours of meditating on how our spiritual being functions as a relationship of Oneness.

I now believe the moon and the sun to be the two complimentary Aspects of our Soul, Awareness and Faith. The moon represents our self-awareness while the sun represents our true GOD awareness, or Faith. Faith is founded on our experiential awareness of GOD while HIS Promises are what we yet have to experience. We view GOD's Promises from a self-aware or separate point of view at first. This is the concept conveyed to us as the moon. When we receive a revelation, we view it as separate from ourselves because we haven't experienced its purpose yet. After we experience a revelation or Promise according to Truth, they become a part of the foundation for our Faith. They are no longer viewed separate from self but become a part of the Oneness we are with GOD because we know their purpose. Our Soul is a finite individualization of GOD. Through our Soul Intellect receives the missing direction and does what is needed according to our unique individuality.

There are a few reasons I see the sun and

moon as being symbolic of the complimentary Aspects of our Soul. We know that the moon reflects light where the sun is the source for that light. Consider that if we live by Faith, the SOURCE of our Faith is from GOD teaching us the purpose of HIS Promises in our life. They become a part of us, and HE lives in us as Christ. We begin seeing new situations to be experienced as Christ would, but according to the individuality GOD has given us. So the way we view new situations is founded on our Faith and our individuality. Since the expression of our individuality for how we view new situations is dependent on our Faith, through which we essentially have access to Christ, then our individuality is essentially reflecting Christ finitely according to our Faith. I hope you see the symbolic message revealed by the use of the sun and the moon. Faith is then a channel for Christ's expression through us. In a sense my original conception of the symbolism was almost correct.

When we first see what needs to be accomplished, we don't immediately see the purpose of that what and the way to accomplish it. If the form of an automobile is revealed to me for the first time, I will only have a fraction of the understanding needed to build an automobile. I can now begin learning to build the automobile from the level of first mining the raw materials and continue through each step. I will eventually know thousands of more understandings for building an automobile than I did when it was first revealed to me. Again we see the relationship between the moon and the sun. We see the car at first based on our beginning understanding which lacks a knowledge of purpose. After we grow in understanding and a knowledge of purpose for the car, our view of the car is based on TRUTH.

Awareness is a receptive state of our Soul.

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We are in the dark for a concept, and then it is revealed to us. We now see its possibility. Faith is an expressive state of our Soul. We now know both the what of the concept and the way the concept is to be expressed. Thus, we see why the moon, symbolizing our Soul's awareness, and the stars govern the night separating the light from the darkness. The sun, symbolizing our Faith, governs the day separating the light from the darkness. As discussed previously there is a big difference between being aware of a concept and knowing that concept enough to express it truthfully.

Now consider the Biblical phrases "for signs, and for seasons, and for days and years," and "to give light on the earth." It is GOD's Promises which first turns our Soul to seeking higher concepts of GOD. At first we only know them as a hope. After we diligently seek and find their fulfillment within us, we know them as a realized certainty. Some of HIS Promises may take years before we experience them. A simple example might be a teenager who is promised a car when he knows how to drive and operate a car safely. He then begins learning the skills necessary to drive and practices those skills in actual driving situations under adult supervision. Eventually the spiritual qualities needed to drive a car are a part of his being. He is now ready to receive the car. Before the teenager had learned any driving skills, we could say he was in darkness about those skills. After he had the skills as a part of his spiritual being, he is in the light about them. Each step of spiritual growth comes from darkness to light in this way. We don't see any new concept, and then we do. There isn't any concept of what to do, and then there is. There aren't any choices for what to do, and then there are. There isn't any means for choosing the correct possibility, and then there is.

Genesis 1:20-23

On the fourth day the means for Intellect to get direction is provided. That direction still has to be recognized by our Soul before she can give Intellect the needed direction. On the fifth day we return to the waters which were gathered to one place. They are made to teem with living creatures. Birds also were created to fly above the earth.

The fifth Aspect of GOD is Life. Life is the compliment of Intellect except Life is real and can only know what is real. Where Intellect causes law to be expressed, Life causes desires to be expressed. Life also causes feelings to be expressed for what has happened and according to the recognized or believed purpose. Law and desires are compliments of each other, but feeling is the means of getting feedback. Did what I desired happen? This is feedback. I feel the living creatures in the seas are our beliefs that we have or haven't experienced. The birds above the earth are our hopes. Our hopes are based on the Truth we know, which has two sides (wings). These are also the lower forms of life that have low order consciousness.

The phrases of bearing fruit after their kind for plants and after their kind used in these verses should be self-evident. If we select correct possibilities, then these correct possibilities will lead to other correct possibilities. If we have true beliefs, then these correct beliefs will lead to other correct beliefs. The opposite is also correct. False beliefs will lead to other false beliefs.

Genesis 1:24-31

So far Life's belief of what direction to relay to Intellect is only a belief or a hope. This belief or hope should be expressed by our Soul toward GOD. Thus our Soul looks to GOD

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for the correct direction. Our Soul begins giving Intellect direction according to Life's beliefs. Remember the revelation is revealed to Intellect as a relationship of previously experienced understandings. Each of those understandings has a complimentary belief on the Life side of our being. The correct set of understandings of many must be selected if the correct way is found. By our Soul looking to GOD for direction through Faith, the correct set of beliefs is revealed to our Soul as a realization. This realization is recognized by our Soul through Life as a set of previously experienced beliefs. Our Soul then gives Intellect direction as a set of understandings. As Intellect forms the outer relationships, Life determines if they feel right for how the new concept is expected to feel as revealed by Christ in us. Intellect continues forming and reforming the relationship until it does feel right to Life. While this is happening the relationship is being experienced, and Life's belief is either being experienced as true or false. I feel these kind of experienced beliefs are the animals. These animals are also at a higher level of consciousness in the order of Life.

Have you ever had a math problem or some other problem that you may have worked on for hours while trying this and then trying something else? Eventually you found the correct way to solve the problem. You may have known the answer and were only seeking the way to get the known answer. All of the different attempts are conveyed as animals, but the correct way is conveyed as Man realizing Truth. Man is the highest level of consciousness in the order of life on this Earth and capable of a consciousness of GOD. The animals don't necessarily represent error. They are only incorrect ways for this particular situation. Thus, we can follow correct steps in working a math problem but in the wrong way. Animals can also be lesser rela-

tionships of the higher relationship we are attempting to form. Those not needed to form this particular relationship are still parts of correct ways for other situations. I am referring to Man in the spiritual sense not physical. Man, in this case, are both the male and female aspects of Man functioning in unity. Only Man, of all created creatures on this Earth, can conceive of or know Truth. The realization occurs at *that* point when your mind seems to flood with light as the correct way to overcome the problem is seen. All the necessary steps in the correct order are suddenly recognized, and the purpose for those steps is known. That is realization. So realization is when we first recognize the purpose of each correct step in solving the problem or forming a new concept.

The sixth day is the creation of the spiritual ability of Man to know Truth and therefore GOD.

Genesis 2:1-3

After we receive the realization of the correct way, we immediately try out our newly realized concept on a problem to see if it works as expected. Before this we were tense and working hard to find a solution. Now our mind returns to a state of peace and restfulness as we see that we have found the correct way. We even have a sense of joy from finding what we had so diligently sought. This is LOVE! LOVE is the goal of all spiritual growth. We know and Love the good purpose and value of parts of a relationship in the higher Relationship of Oneness. Love guides us in pursuing the highest potential purpose for all in a Relationship with GOD.

The final step or level of spiritual growth is represented as a day of rest. This final step is what builds our Faith because we have experienced the Truth of a Promise of GOD.

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Faith cannot be blind as you can readily see.

I, by no stretch of the imagination, consider the above description complete. I do firmly believe it to be closer to the truthful purpose of the Creation Story than the accepted version of Man. Man's version does nothing but create controversy and different opinions. The above interpretation can be tested today by each person. The test will fail, though, if the individual is viewing life from a self-centered point of view.

Consider a time in your life when you wanted the answer to something with every fiber of your being. Now generate that same desire for knowing GOD and strive to understand with the same persistent search you applied to obtaining your desire for that something. See if a true understanding of GOD is revealed to you step by step. Understanding coming in steps is a blessing of GOD because this only encourages us to strive all the harder for higher and higher goals in understanding GOD. We have many small successes instead of one large success with possibly many small failures in the process. The advantage should be obvious.

Different steps leading to an answer forms a relationship. Purpose is revealed in a relationship. Through purpose GOD's Nature is revealed to us. Gaining an experiential knowledge of GOD's Nature is our purpose in this life. Our having experiential knowledge gives us the ability to express GOD truthfully.

Only LOVE can express TRUTH!