

GENESIS 1 and 2 OVERVIEW

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This is a brief overview of sections of Genesis. It is concerned only with those points upon which I differ with the opinions of many who hold the 6th and 8th day creation theory. My notes in this overview will reference various points of difficulty where defective premises have been imagined in the past. First, I want you to know that at one time – only 4 or 5 years ago, I would have agreed with many of these things that many hold today – having already read many of these ideas in the work of Wesley Swift, Bert Comporet and others, and of course being familiar with the “prehistory” of our planet as perceived through archaeology and palaeontology – I too was persuaded in what I’m about to critique. But after a much closer inspection of Scripture itself, I realized that it just isn’t so! I am **NOT** doubting that our planet has a long history, and that many events took place here before the advent of our race upon the earth. I am only asserting that the Bible itself tells us nothing of these things, except that the Adversary was cast out here, for pre-Adamic earth history is outside of the scope of the Bible.

I know that many have a strong impulse to find in our Bibles the answers with which to rectify the proposals of men such as Velikovsky (*Worlds In Collision*) and Sitchin, or to harmonize the Bible with the pre-Adamic archaeological record. But the truth is that Velikovsky and Sitchin are modern-day false prophets, and children of Belial in whom there is NO TRUTH (John 8:44) for they are both ‘Jews’, and that the Bible is a history of our own race which tells us nothing of pre-Adamic earth history: except for the presence and origination of the Adversary (Satan). Velikovsky was a ‘Jewish’ psychiatrist from Russia who came here to the U.S. in 1939 and suddenly developed an expertise in astrophysics. Sitchin, also a Russian ‘Jewish’ immigrant who claims to be an expert in ancient languages, has a vague academic background and his many errors (if they aren’t outright lies) are illustrated at web sites such as <http://www.sitchiniswrong.com>, by a scholar who documents his own credentials, and his sources.

There are many problems, discrepancies, conflicts in ideology, with various versions of events in correlation with the Bible on Genesis. I will be explaining these in the following notes, which I hope I will have presented with clarity. I will endeavor to cover all the major points, while ignoring some of the more minor or petty arguments, for sake of brevity. If one is not persuaded to reexamine the reasons for these major differences, why bother with the little things? Yet, if one will reexamine these major differences, most of the little things will fall into their proper place.

I would state in advance, that it would be futile for anyone to try to convince me that their contradictory viewpoints on these matters are the correct ones. I’m sorry if that sounds arrogant, for I do not intend to be so. I endeavor always to be humble. Yet,

I have considered all of these various assorted premises already, examining every facet of each argument at length, with Clifton Emahiser and with David Gray, and am fully persuaded of my current positions as I will outline here:

Genesis 1:2: In order to find support for Velikovsky's theory concerning past earth cataclysms, and to reconcile it with the Genesis account, many point to Rotherham's translation of this verse, in part "Now the earth had become chaotic and empty" The A.V. text says "the earth was without form": this word "was" in the *Septuagint* (LXX) translated ἦν, the Imperfect 3rd person singular of the verb εἶμι, "to be", here "it [the earth] was". If the LXX translators thought that the earth "had become" without form, the verb required to express such would be an Aorist tense form of the verb γίνομαι ("to become"). Rotherham is alone among Genesis translators on this issue. Certainly, I consider Rotherham to be in error here. David Gray, in his hopefully forthcoming Genesis commentary, says:

"II. In v. 2, there is a description of the matter and its shape at the very beginning. It was 'without form, and void.' The words used here are חֵהוּ טֹהוּ⁽⁸⁴¹⁴⁾ and בְּהוּ בִּטְוָה⁽⁹²²⁾, respectively. Some would preface this phrase with 'became' or 'had become without form, and void.' '... thus implying the destruction of the original creation, but this flies in the face of Heb. syntax.'¹ Additionally, 'Proponents of this view point out that the word translated **was** (*bâyethâ*) could also be translated 'had become' ... However, the Hebrew verb *hayah* usually is followed by the preposition *le* when it means 'become', and that is not the case here.'² In other words, translating it as 'became' is an incorrect translation and was therefore properly rendered as 'was'." (David Gray's references are: ¹Bruce, F. F., *New International Bible Commentary* (Grand Rapids, MI: Zondervan, 1979), p. 114 & ²MacDonald, William *Believer's Bible Commentary* (Nashville: Thomas Nelson, 1995), pp. 32, 82.)

Genesis 1:20-25: There is no language anywhere in these verses, Hebrew or English, which indicates that non-Adamic races of anthropoids may have been created by Yahweh Elohim at this time (or any other!). None of the earliest translators or interpreters of Scripture, such as those of the LXX, the targums, various apocryphal books, the N.T., Josephus or Philo (which I've had opportunity to peruse to date) say anything which may support holding onto any such assumption.

Genesis 1:26-28: The Elohim here is the same Elohim, that is referred to often as YHVH Elohim, all throughout the Bible in the plural: the "plural of majesty", as evident in *Strong's Concordance* where occurrences of the word "God" are usually derived from #430 Elohim, rather than #410 El. The man here is **ADAM**, and was made in the likeness and image of Elohim. To claim that the so-called 'other races' are in the likeness and image of Elohim is blasphemous! Note Romans 8:29, II Corinthians 4:4, Colossians 1:15 & 3:10, Hebrews 1:3 et al. The commission given to **ADAM** here is repeated, necessarily, after the flood of Noah at chapter 9.

Romans 8:29: "**For whom he did foreknow, he also did predestinate to be conformed to the image of his Son, that he might be the firstborn among many brethren.**"

II Corinthians 4:4: “**In whom the god of this world hath blinded the minds of them which believe not, lest the light of the glorious gospel of Christ, who is the image of God, should shine unto them.**”

Colossians 1:15: “**Who is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of every creature.**”

Colossians 3:10: “**And have put on the new *man*, which is renewed in knowledge after the image of him that created him.**”

Hebrews 1:3: “**Who being the brightness of *his* glory, and the express image of his person, and upholding all things by the word of his power, when he had by himself purged our sins, sat down on the right hand of the Majesty on high.**”

Supporters of Velikovsky’s theory make much of the word “replenish” at Genesis 1:28, claiming that it somehow “proves” that Rotherham’s Genesis 1:2 mistranslation is correct. The word translated “replenish” at Genesis 1:28 simply means “to fill.” It should never have been translated “re-plenish”, and one can not extrapolate an error into a theory explaining pre-ADAMIC history. To follow in the error of the A.V. translators here is pure folly! Of course I allude to claims that “one can only re-plenish what had previously been plenished” and similar statements, hollow in substance since the command was simply “and fill the earth” in the first place!

Genesis 2:1-3: These verses clearly belong to Genesis 1, and should be numbered 1:32, 1:33, and 1:34. Note that verse and chapter divisions were only developed recently, and are by no means “inspired”, but are generally full of errors: or differences of opinion among scholars. Genesis 2:4 is but the beginning of a new, more detailed account of this creation of Adam, and his early history, which runs through chapter 4.

Genesis 2:7: Here the creation of **ADAM** is given with further detail. While verses 1:26-28 tell us that Adam was created in the image and likeness of Elohim, here we are informed that Adam was also given the “breath” or Spirit of Elohim, which is the “breath of life.” While all creatures breath oxygen, this is certainly not the “breath of life.” That **ADAMITES** alone have the Spirit is quite evident throughout the New Testament. That the “breath of life” is the spirit that quickeneth (John 6:63, I Peter 3:18-19 et al.) is evident, as it should be evident that our **true** life is in the spirit, and not in the flesh (Acts 7:59, Romans 8:5-11, I Corinthians 5:3-5, 6:19-20, Galatians 5 etc. etc.).

John 6:63: “**It is the spirit that quickeneth; the flesh profiteth nothing: the words that I speak unto you, *they* are spirit, and *they* are life.**”

I Peter 3:18-19: “**18 For Christ also hath once suffered for sins, the just for the unjust, that he might bring us to God, being put to death in the flesh, but quickened by the Spirit: 19 By which also he went and preached unto the spirits in prison.**”

Acts 7:59: “**And they stoned Stephen, calling upon God, and saying, Lord Jesus, receive my spirit.**”

Romans 8:5-11: “ **5** For they that are after the flesh do mind the things of the flesh; but they that are after the Spirit the things of the Spirit. **6** For to be carnally minded *is* death; but to be spiritually minded *is* life and peace. **7** Because the carnal mind *is* enmity against God: for it is not subject to the law of God, neither indeed can be. **8** So then they that are in the flesh cannot please God. **9** But ye are not in the flesh, but in the Spirit, if so be that the Spirit of God dwell in you. Now if any man have not the Spirit of Christ, he is none of his. **10** And if Christ *be* in you, the body *is* dead because of sin; but the Spirit *is* life because of righteousness. **11** But if the Spirit of him that raised up Jesus from the dead dwell in you, he that raised up Christ from the dead shall also quicken your mortal bodies by his Spirit that dwelleth in you.”

I Corinthians 5:3-5: “ **3** For I verily, as absent in body, but present in spirit, have judged already, as though I were present, *concerning* him that hath so done this deed, **4** In the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, when ye are gathered together, and my spirit, with the power of our Lord Jesus Christ, **5** To deliver such an one unto Satan for the destruction of the flesh, that the spirit may be saved in the day of the Lord Jesus.”

I Corinthians 6:19-20: “ **19** What? know ye not that your body is the temple of the Holy Ghost *which is* in you, which ye have of God, and ye are not your own? **20** For ye are bought with a price: therefore glorify God in your body, and in your spirit, which are God’s.”

Galatians 5:5, 16, 17, 18, 22-25: “ **5** For we through the Spirit wait for the hope of righteousness by faith ... **16** *This* I say then, Walk in the Spirit, and ye shall not fulfil the lust of the flesh. **17** For the flesh lusteth against the Spirit, and the Spirit against the flesh: and these are contrary the one to the other: so that ye cannot do the things that ye would. **18** But if ye be led of the Spirit, ye are not under the law ... **22** But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, longsuffering, gentleness, goodness, faith, **23** Meekness, temperance: against such there is no law. **24** And they that are Christ’s have crucified the flesh with the affections and lusts. **25** If we live in the Spirit, let us also walk in the Spirit.”

What is the Bible to us, if those who have the Spirit are not in His image and likeness? Or if those who have the image and likeness have not the Spirit? Throw all of your books away, eat and drink now, because tomorrow we shall die! But such is not the case. Adam has His **likeness**. Adam has His **image**. Adam has His **Spirit**. No other race has any of these things, and it is blasphemous to make such an assertion!

In our Bibles, Elohim only created **ONE RACE: ADAM!** And the **ADAM** of Genesis 1:26-28 is the same **ADAM** of Genesis 2:7!!! Genesis 2:4 states: “These are the histories (8435) of the heavens and the earth when they were created, in the age that YHVH (this word is missing in the LXX here) Elohim made the earth and the heavens.” Hence it is a chronicle, speaking of something in the past, not in “real time” (i.e. chronologically, after the “seventh day”). The **ADAM** of the **image** and the **ADAM** of the **Spirit** are **ONE!**

Genesis 2:19: If a different Adam was created in 2:7, from that of 1:26-28, would you likewise say that the beasts & fowls created here in chapter 2 are different from those of 1:20 through 1:25? Surely I think not since the same Hebrew words are used in both places! And so it is with Adam, (120)! Are we going to continue to throw **consistency** clean out of the window?

Genesis 5:1-2: If it is necessary to distinguish the Adam of Genesis 1 from that of the Adam of Genesis 2, what do we make of the Adam of **these verses**? Did Elohim again create a different Adam here in His likeness? I am not being facetious, only **ONE** race could possibly be created in the Image and Likeness of Elohim, which Yahshua our Messiah bore (Genesis 9:6, Deuteronomy 18:15, Acts 3:22, 7:37 and Hebrews 2:17). Yahweh has but one likeness: **ADAM!**

Genesis 9:6: “**Whoso sheddeth man’s blood, by man shall his blood be shed: for in the image of God made he man.**”

Deuteronomy 18:15: “**The LORD thy God will raise up unto thee a Prophet from the midst of thee, of thy brethren, like unto me; unto him ye shall hearken.**”

Acts 3:22: “**For Moses truly said unto the fathers, A prophet shall the Lord your God raise up unto you of your brethren, like unto me; him shall ye hear in all things whatsoever he shall say unto you.**”

Acts 7:37: “**This is that Moses, which said unto the children of Israel, A prophet shall the Lord your God raise up unto you of your brethren, like unto me; him shall ye hear.**”

Hebrews 2:17: “**Wherefore in all things it behoved him to be made like unto his brethren, that he might be a merciful and faithful high priest in things pertaining to God, to make reconciliation for the sins of the people.**”

Summary: So it should be perfectly evident that the **ADAM** of Genesis 1 and the **ADAM** of Genesis 2 (as well as the **ADAM** of Genesis 5) are all the same **ADAM**. From this another conclusion must be faced: The non-Adamic races were **NOT** created by Yahweh Elohim! Rather, they are but corruptions perpetrated by the fallen ones: the only possible alternative! Our great poet, Rudyard Kipling, was at least partially aware of this, referring to the non-white peoples as “Half devil and half child” in the first stanza of his 1899 poem *The White Man’s Burden*.

It should also be apparent that there was no so-called “8th day” creation. For it is never mentioned anywhere in the Bible! Yahweh rests on the 7th day, after all of His work of creation is ended. While our Bible doesn’t speak of an 8th day of creation, the *Secrets Of Enoch* speaks of an 8th day. The *Secrets Of Enoch* 33:1 proves beyond all doubt that Yahweh has not yet begun the “8th day”, and does not assign to it any manner of creation. It would be well to quote the last verse in chapter 32, which is designated #4, and continue through 33:1:

“ 4 And I blessed the seventh day, which is the Sabbath, on which he [sic I] rested from all his [sic my] works 1 And I appointed the eighth day also, that the eighth day should be the first-created after my work, and that the first seven revolve in the form of the seventh thousand, and that at the beginning of the

eighth thousand there should be a time of not-counting, endless, with neither years nor months nor weeks nor days nor hours.”

But in our present age every day is counted, and even in the prophets: and so by Yahweh Himself (Daniel 5:25, 7:25, Deuteronomy 15:1, 16:9, 31:10, Revelation 9:15, 13:5 etc.) How can one justify this passage, yet say that the Adam of Genesis 2:7 was created on the 8th day, if we still count the days? And if we were told to count the days, by Yahweh Himself, how can we be living in “the time of not-counting”, which is the 8th age? The truth is: There is no “8th day” creation! Even without the *Secrets Of Enoch*, these things are wholly manifest, i.e. Heb. 4:3-11.

Daniel 5:25: “**And this *is* the writing that was written, MENE, MENE, TEKEL, UPHARSIN.**”

Daniel 7:25: “**And he shall speak *great* words against the most High, and shall wear out the saints of the most High, and think to change times and laws: and they shall be given into his hand until a time and times and the dividing of time.**”

Deuteronomy 15:1: “**At the end of every seven years thou shalt make a release.**”

Deuteronomy 16:9: “**Seven weeks shalt thou number unto thee: begin to number the seven weeks from *such time* as thou beginnest to *put* the sickle to the corn.**”

Deuteronomy 31:10: “**And Moses commanded them, saying, At the end of every seven years, in the solemnity of the year of release, in the feast of tabernacles.**”

Revelation 9:15: “**And the four angels were loosed, which were prepared for an hour, and a day, and a month, and a year, for to slay the third part of men.**”

Revelation 13:5: “**And there was given unto him a mouth speaking great things and blasphemies; and power was given unto him to continue forty *and* two months.**”

And we shouldn't forget Job 14:1-5, for it speaks of “Man ... born of a woman ... of few days, and full of trouble.”

Job 14:1-5: “**1 Man *that is* born of a woman *is* of few days, and full of trouble. 2 He cometh forth like a flower, and is cut down: he fleeth also as a shadow, and continueth not. 3 And dost thou open thine eyes upon such an one, and bringest me into judgment with thee? 4 Who can bring a clean *thing* out of an unclean? not one. 5 Seeing his days *are* determined, the number of his months *are* with thee, thou hast appointed his bounds that he cannot pass.**”

It should be evident, then, if man is still having “trouble”, the 8th day has not arrived as yet!