

## ***Heavens and Earth?***

Gen. 2:4 These are the generations of the **heavens** and of the **earth** when they were created, in the day that the Lord God made the earth and the heavens,

Note: The context of Genesis chapter One is **EARTH**, not the universe! Some say that “heavens” opens the subject for universe, does it? Lets see.

Note: More than one Heaven? Yes more than one! See **Due. 4:11; Josh 10:13; Eze. 1:1; 2Cor. 12:2, Rev. 14:6, Ps. 148:4, Due. 10:14, Neh. 9:6; Ps. 11:4, Ex. 25:9,40, 1Chron. 28:19; Rev. 11:19, 1Kings 8:27**. One where He resides, one on this earth and one in the midst of these. But the one where He resides has always been. Its the others that pertain to us that are here meant.

Note: In the following will be answered the question which makes science and religion advisories, the age of the universe. Science says the earth with the universe is billions of years old, Religion says the universe with this earth is sixthousand years old. Which is it, are they both wrong?

## ***Eternal Universe?***

**TIME**, as distinguished from eternity, may be defined as that part of duration which is measured by the Bible. From the earliest date in the book of Genesis to the resurrection of the unjust at the end of the millennium, the period of about 7000 years is measured off. 1 Before the commencement of **this great week** of time, **duration without beginning fills the past**; and at the expiration of this period, unending duration opens before the people of God. Eternity is that word which embraces duration without beginning and without end. And that Being whose existence comprehends eternity, is he who only hath immortality, the King eternal, immortal, invisible, the only wise God. 2 {1873 JNA, HSF 9.1}

**When** it pleased this infinite Being, **he gave existence to our earth**. Out of nothing God created all things; 1 "so that things which are seen were not made of things which do appear." This act of creation is that event which marks the commencement of the first week of time. He who could accomplish the whole work with one word chose rather to employ six days, and to accomplish the result by successive steps. **Let us trace the footsteps of the Creator from the time when he laid the foundation of the earth until the close of the sixth day, when the heavens and the earth were finished, "and God saw everything that he had made, and behold, it was very good."** 1 {1873 JNA, HSF 9.2}

Note: The subject of this paragraph “this chapter” is earth and this sun and moon

only, not the universe. For John assures us in chapter One that In points of time He “created all things,” and we have other texts that tell us Angels, other worlds with their beings existed before (Heb. 11:3) this last crowning act of the universe was created, earth and the last crowning act of creating earth, Women. But Our Time, 24 hours cycle is separated from eternity. We have no Biblical evidence that any other worlds are so constrained as ours. We do have observatory evidence that other worlds have different hours cycles.

### ***Seven Literal Days.***

On the first day of time God ***created the heaven and the earth***. The earth thus called into existence was without form, and void; and total darkness covered the Creator's work. Then "God said, Let there be light; and there was light." " And God divided the light from the darkness," and called the one day, and other night. 2 {1873 JNA, HSFD 11.1}

On the second day of time "God said, Let there be a firmament [margin, Heb., ***expansion***] in the midst of the waters, and let it divide the waters from the waters." The dry land had not yet appeared; consequently the earth was covered with water. ***As no atmosphere existed***, thick ***vapors*** rested upon the the face of the water; but the ***atmosphere*** being now called into existence by the word of the Creator, causing those ***elements*** to unite which compose the air we breathe, the fogs and vapors that had rested upon the bosom of the water were borne aloft by it. ***This atmosphere or expansion is called heaven.*** 3 {1873 JNA, HSFD 11.2}

On the third day of time God gathered the waters together and caused the dry land to appear. the gathering together of the waters God called seas; the dry land, thus rescued from the waters, he called ***earth***. "And God said, Let the earth bring forth grass, the herb yielding seed, and fruit-tree yielding fruit after his kind, whose seed is in itself, upon the earth: and it was so." "And God saw that it was good." 4 {1873 JNA, HSFD 11.3}

Note: Here is also seen the cause for global warming. Destroy this atmospheric pressure and moisture unrestrained escapes from bodies of water affecting weather through temperatures. This plague is not global warming but it does have bearing on this point. “The vial of the second angel was poured upon the sea, and the creatures of the sea died, for what was once life became poison. There is but a step between life and death. ***A change of a few degrees in temperature, would kill all life***, both animal and vegetable; deprive an animal of the life-giving oxygen, and in a few moments, life is extinct.”—*PROPHETIC WAYMARKS, SNH 691.2 or SEER OF ATMOS SNH* pg. 277.2. Rev. 11:18 . . . and ***shouldest destroy them which destroy the earth.***

Note: An object lesson for salvation: Earths atmosphere applies “Fifteen pounds to every square inch of surface on the body is the pressure under which we live physically. Why does it not crush us? Because the pressure is equal on all sides, and thus we are unconscious of it. It is but a type of the spiritual life. If trials are great, open the soul to heaven, and equalize the pressure by being filled from above.” —*Story of Daniel the Prophet. pg. 54.1*

On the fourth day of time "God said, Let there be lights in the firmament of the heaven, to divide the day from the night; and let them be for signs, and for seasons, and for days, and years." "And God made two great lights; the greater light to rule the day, and the lesser light to rule the night; he made the stars also." Light had been created on the first day of the week; and now on the fourth day he causes the sun and moon to appear as light-bearers, and places the light under their rule. And they continue unto this day according to his ordinances, for all are his servants. Such was the work of the fourth day. And the Great Architect, surveying what he had wrought, pronounced it good. 1 {1873 JNA, HSF 11.4}

Note: “he made the stars also,” is here mentioned by way of fact. Were they made on the fourth day? No earlier, because these stars are not our sun! He that made these made those also before. Only thus could the morning stars sing had they not been made first. See sixth day.

On the fifth day of time "God created great whales, and every living creature that moveth, which the waters brought forth abundantly, after their kind, and every winged fowl after his kind: and God saw that it was good." 2 {1873 JNA, HSF 12.1}

### ***The End of Creation Man.***

On the sixth day of time "God made the beast of the earth after his kind, and cattle after their kind, and everything that creepeth upon the earth after his kind: and God saw that it was good." Thus the earth, having been fitted for the purpose, was filled with every order of living creature, while the air and waters teemed with animal existence. To complete this noble work of creation, God next provides a ruler, the representative of himself, and places all in subjection under him. "And God said, Let us make man in our image, after our likeness: and let them have dominion over the fish of the sea, and over the fowl of the air, and over the cattle, and over all the earth, and over every creeping thing that creepeth upon the earth." "And the Lord God formed man of the dust of the ground, and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life; and man became a living soul. And the Lord God planted a garden eastward in Eden; and there he put the man whom he had formed. And out

of the ground made the Lord God to grow every tree that is pleasant to the sight, and good for food; the tree of life also in the midst of the garden, and the tree of knowledge of good and evil." **Last of all, God created** Eve, the mother of all living. The work of the Creator was now complete. "The **heavens** and the earth were finished, and all the host of them." "And God saw everything that he had made, and behold, it was very good." Adam and Eve were in paradise; the tree of life bloomed on earth; sin had not entered our world, and death was not here, for there was no sin. "The morning stars sang together, and all the sons of God shouted for joy." Thus ended the sixth day. 1 {1873 JNA, HSF 12.2}

Note: "All the host of them" does not refer to the universe, only our heaven and our earth. For if so then is "Eve, the mother of all living," across the universe. What does it say? "Last of all, God created," after: the universe (other worlds and the peoples of them), light, our heaven-atmosphere and our earth, our water and dry land, our sun and moon, life in our waters, life on our land, and finally Humans!

Note: Gen 2:18,20. An help; **meet** for him. Mark where the cadence of punctuation should be after the word help. Fit, suitable, proper, qualified, adapted, as to a uses or purpose. The right one, exact one, perfect one. A matched one—planned by God to facilitate character development. Here the purpose of God is revealed in the institution of marriage for humanity. The marriage union is to bring man and woman to a higher state of mental and emotional being. To improve the character. To better each one for a greater purpose. The ease of divorce and prolific adultery testifies that the human condition is made worse. To often, self refuses to be refined, enriched. Christians have used so many reasons for divorce, forgetting there's only one reason for it, adultery, Matt. 5:32; 19:9. Christians claim marriage is the union of Christ and His church, thus marring the symbol by their infidelity and selfishness. Marriage is forever to last through eternity, but what of those who choose the wrong spouse?

God celebrated the first **marriage**. Thus the institution has for its originator the Creator of the universe. "Marriage is honorable" (Hebrews 13:4); it was one of the first gifts of God to man, and **it is one of the two institutions** that, after the Fall, Adam brought with him beyond the gates of Paradise. When the divine principles are recognized and obeyed in this relation, marriage is a blessing; **it guards the purity and happiness of the race**, it provides for man's social needs, it elevates the physical, the intellectual, and the moral nature. {PP 48.3}

Eve was not quite as tall as Adam. Her head reached a little above his shoulders. She, too, was noble—perfect in symmetry, and very beautiful. {3SG 33.2}

*Woman was the crowning work of the Creator*, when she came from the Maker's hand, God Himself pronounced her very good. She who was the highest, falls the lowest in sin, and as her power for good is unlimited when God directs, so she drags men to the brink of hell when her heart is possessed by Satan... {1905 SNH, SSP 291.1}

### ***The Seconded.***

Gen. 2:1 Thus the heavens and the earth were finished, and all the host of them. 2 And on the seventh day God ended his work which he had made; and he rested on the seventh day from all his work which he had made. 3 And God blessed the seventh day, and sanctified it: because that in it he had rested from all his work which God created and made. 4 These are the generations of the heavens and of the earth when they were created, in the day that the Lord God made the earth and the heavens, Ex. 20:11: Rev. 14:7; Mark 2:28.