

LIES MASQUERADING AS “THE TRUTH”, A Critical Review Of The Book, *THE TWO CREATIONS*, Part #6

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As I explained in part #'s 1, 2, 3, 4, & 5, since the author didn't use his own name, but instead used the pseudonym of "Gabriel", I will continue to refer to the author as "alias-gabriel" whoever he happens to be. This alias-gabriel is quite a Scripture-twister as I demonstrated several times in this series. His flawed premise is that the "man" at Genesis 1:26-27 is a different person than the "man" at Genesis 2:7. I fully verified this idea to be in error as the Hebrew word for "man" in these passages is exactly the same in form and parts of speech.

With this paper it will be necessary to repeat a couple of very closely related short excerpts from alias-gabriel on page 2, inasmuch as he overlooked (or should I say ignored), a very important portion of Genesis chapter 1:

"Gen. 1:3-25 ... describes the order in which God [Elohiym] created the component parts of the universe – our earth, and the living beings that dwell on it. ... Before we move on to verses 27-28 of Genesis 1, it should be pointed out that verses 3-25 give a very definite order to the creation process. Each creative process helped sustain the next step of the creation."

With this exposé, I'm going to demonstrate that the first chapter of Genesis is not in chronological order, as alias-gabriel expects us to believe. Let's start this process by quoting Genesis 1:1: "**In the beginning God created the heaven and the earth.**"

According to the Bible Works electronic digital program the Hebrew definition for "heaven" here includes: "Meaning: 1) heaven, heavens, sky 1a) visible heavens, sky 1a1) as abode of the stars 1a2) as the visible universe, the sky, atmosphere, etc 1b) Heaven (as the abode of God)." The Strong's number for "heaven" is 8064, and is used at Genesis 15:5 thusly: "**And he brought him [Abraham] forth abroad, and said, Look now toward heaven[8064], and tell the stars, if thou be able to number them: and he said unto him, So shall thy seed be.**" It is obvious here that #8064 includes the starry heavens which we should know more about.

From this we can see that in the Hebrew meaning of Genesis 1:1 the entire universe is included with all of its many galaxies of which one is our own Milky Way. Some of these galaxies (in extra-galactic space) beyond our own Milky Way are up to several billions of light years away. That means that when the astronomers look through their high-power telescopes and observe these distant galaxies, they are looking back in time several billions of years! Like the astronomers, when we read Genesis 1:1, we are also looking back in time several billions of years. We should also take note that Genesis 1:1 speaks of the heaven before it mentions the earth, indicating that the starry galaxies were created prior to the earth!

But before we get overly enthused about extra-galactic space, let's take into consideration our own Milky Way. Bertrand L. Comparet in his presentation "The Bible Is Scientific" stated the following:

"Let's not just stay on earth, nor even in the solar system, let's examine our entire galaxy, the multitude of stars which form the Milky Way. There are at least thirty billion stars in this one galaxy, which is shaped like a biconvex lens. Our own sun is one of the minor stars in this system, and its position is about 2/3rds of the way out toward one edge of the galaxy. We are some 30,000 light years away from the center of the galaxy.

"Since one light year is about 5,870,000,000,000 miles, our distance from the center of the galaxy, being 30,000 times farther, is more than one sextillion miles. In numerals it is 1,761 followed by 15 zeros. The entire galaxy, this vast lens-shaped mass of stars, rotates around its collective center of gravity, the whole galaxy making one rotation in about 200 million years.

"The center of gravity of the galaxy is marked by the star Alcyone, which is the brightest star in the constellation **Pleiades**. Considering that this is nearly two sextillion miles away from us, it wasn't easy to get acquainted with it. Our knowledge on the subject came within the lifetime of men still alive. It is amazing, but in Job 38:31 Yahweh asks Job, 'Canst thou bind the sweet influence of Pleiades?' Yes, it is a sweet influence, for it keeps us on our course so we don't wander aimlessly through space until we collide with some mighty solar system. It is also worth noting that the Hebrew word for Pleiades, is kee-maw, which also means pivot or hinge. I guess we will have to admit that Yahweh is pretty much up-to-date after all."

One must take into consideration that Comparet was probably working with older data during his lifetime than what we have now, especially since the development of the Hubble space telescope. From the 1980 *Collier's Encyclopedia*, vol. 15 under the topic "Milky Way", we have a slightly different appraisal on the amount of time that it takes for our solar system to make a complete cycle in our galaxy:

"... One obtains a good idea of the vastness of our galaxy when one considers that it takes our sun fully 250 million years to complete one single circuit around the galactic center. The innermost parts of our galaxy do not rotate like a solid wheel. The outer parts apparently move more slowly than the inner ones." Our solar system with its planet earth has probably made several hundred, if not thousands of such circuits.

Other data found on the Internet states: "The Milky Way has a diameter of about 100,000 light-years. The solar system lies about 25,000 light-years from the center of

the galaxy. There are about 100 billion stars in the Milky Way.” In other words, when we read Gen. 1:1, we are literally looking back in time 100,000 light years just to comprehend how far it is to the opposite side of our galaxy and the vastness of its creation. But does alias-gabriel consider any of this? No! He starts the creation process at Genesis 1:3! By doing so he has a myopic (nearsighted) view of the entire creation! One should rather take a hyperopic (farsighted) view of the creation of the entire universe with all of its many galaxies and one will begin to comprehend how small our local planet is in comparison.

By alias-gabriel ignoring Genesis 1:1, he rather starts the creation at Gen. 1:3. By doing so, he places the creation of the universe with all of its galaxies in a secondary category. So the question must be asked: “Is the earth a part of the universe, or is the universe a part of the earth?” To put it another way: “Does the universe revolve around the earth or do we revolve within our solar system, and in turn does our solar system revolve within our galaxy?” It is evident that alias-gabriel views the creation with the universe revolving around the earth. This is thoroughly a myopic (nearsighted) perspective! People who think in this manner are considered ego-centric and suffer from egomania! Whether alias-gabriel knows it or not, he has exposed his own self-centered views of Scripture for all the world to see! When we take a hyperopic (farsighted) view of creation, and we view some of the stars with the naked eye or with the aid of binoculars or telescopes, we are seeing light from them that was generated long before the creation of Adam-man! I say “Adam-man” because not all of the bipedal hominids that are labeled “men” today had their origin with Adam! We have now cleared the hurdle of Genesis 1:1 with more hurdles to clear in the rest of the chapter.

At this point let’s review again alias-gabriel’s premise where he said on page 2: “Before we move on to verses 27-28 of Genesis 1, it should be pointed out that verses 3-25 give a very definite order to the creation process. Each creative process helped sustain the next step of the creation.”

What we have already observed with Gen. 1:1, there is clearly no “definite order to the creation process”, at least chronologically speaking in Genesis chapter 1! Nor can it be presumed, as alias-gabriel insinuates, that the record shows “each creative process helped sustain the next step of the creation”. To demonstrate that the creation story simply cannot be in chronological order, we read at verses 11-13:

“¹¹ **And God said, Let the earth bring forth grass, the herb yielding seed, and the fruit tree yielding fruit after his kind, whose seed *is* in itself, upon the earth: and it was so.** ¹² **And the earth brought forth grass, and herb yielding seed after his kind, and the tree yielding fruit, whose seed *was* in itself, after his kind: and God saw that *it was* good.** ¹³ **And the evening and the morning were the third day.”**

Then at verses 14-16 it continues: “¹⁴ **And 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:** ¹⁵ **And let them be for lights in the firmament of the heaven to give light upon the earth: and it was so.** ¹⁶ **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.*

There are irreconcilable barriers to taking this as a literal chronology which simply doesn't make any sense, for without sunshine, green vegetation simply can't grow! The sun is needed for a process called photosynthesis, and if the Genesis record of the creation were in chronological order it is obvious that vegetation would have to have been created after there was light from the sun! To give you a short concise description of this process, I will now quote from *The World Book Encyclopedia*, vol. 15, page 382:

“**PHOTOSYNTHESIS**, *FOH tuh SIHN thuh sihs*, is a foodmaking process that occurs in green plants. It is the chief function of leaves. It also occurs in certain bacteria called *photosynthetic bacteria*. The word *photosynthesis* means *putting together with light*. Green plants combine energy from light with water and carbon dioxide to make food. All our food comes from this important energy-converting activity of green plants. Food energy originally comes from light and is stored in food made by green plants. Animals eat the plants, and human beings eat animal products as well as plants.

“The light used in photosynthesis is absorbed by a green pigment called *chlorophyll*. In plant cells, chlorophyll is contained in bodies called *chloroplasts*. In photosynthetic bacteria, chlorophyll is held in similar, but much smaller, bodies called *chromatophores*.

“In chloroplasts, light causes carbon dioxide to combine with the hydrogen atoms of water to form sugar. Oxygen is given off in the process. From sugar, and with nitrogen, sulfur, and phosphorus, green plants make starch, fat, protein, and vitamins. In photosynthetic bacteria, carbon dioxide reacts with compounds other than water to form sugar. No oxygen is released.

“Green plants convert carbon dioxide and water into food and oxygen. Both food and oxygen are essential for the life of human beings, animals, and nongreen plants such as fungi. Human beings and animals get energy by eating food and using oxygen in the air to ‘burn’ food. In the process, carbon dioxide and water are returned to the atmosphere. Thus, the carbon and oxygen balance on earth is maintained.”

If the Biblical record is in chronological order, as alias-gabriel insists, how does he explain vegetation growing without the aid of sunshine? Is it possible that he concocts all of these theories before he gives them adequate thought? I maintain that Gen. 1:14-16 is simply a review of Genesis 1:1, but in greater detail. Maybe alias-gabriel is somewhat like a lady that was writing an article on the creation of Genesis ch. 1, many years ago when I was still in judeo-churchianity, and she theorized that because the sun was not created until the fourth day that God had to somehow rig up a temporary light so He could see what He was doing until the fourth day when He finally got around to making the sun!

To resolve some of these things, we really need to go back to Genesis 1:2-3 where it states: “² **And the earth was without form, and void; and darkness was upon the face of the deep. And the Spirit of God moved upon the face of the waters.** ³ **And God said, Let there be light: and there was light.**”

As we observed, Gen. 1:1 declared that God first made the universe with all of its galaxies, and in one of these galaxies He placed our planet earth. But in verse 2 we have to ask the question: Why was the earth without form and void and darkness upon the face of the deep? Being without form suggests that it was in constant transition with upheavals and lava flows going in every direction, not having a fixed shape. Being void suggests that it was without any kind of living matter. And darkness suggests that there was something blocking the rays of the sun which was already in place with the creation of the universe in verse 1. What it may have been that was blocking the sun's rays is anyone's guess, but may have been a huge cosmic dust cloud surrounding the entire earth. Or the cloud may have been caused by an almost constant volcanic action throughout the entire earth. When it says "waters" in verse 2, in all likelihood it is referring to rivers of lava flow dumping into large lakes of superheated lava. There are other meanings in the Hebrew for the Strong's word #4325 (*mayim*) than H²O, such as sperm and urine or something dangerous. At Gen. 49:4 we are told that Reuben was "unstable as water", therefore dangerous! Wherever water existed at that time, it would have to have been mainly in the form of vapor. But the Almighty caused all of this violence to subside and the dark cloud to disappear, leaving the sun's rays to shine forth upon the earth. This violent activity from earthquakes and volcanoes has not entirely ceased, for we still have an occasional volcano blowing its top, and lava flowing down the sides of mountains rushing into the sea giving us an example of the conditions that likely existed at Genesis 1:2.

It was at Gen. 1:3 that the sun first appeared, not at Gen. 1:14-16. Therefore Gen. 1:14-16 is simply a review of Gen. 1:3, but in greater detail. The sun already existed at Gen. 1:3, except the Almighty simply divided the light from the darkness. The light is still being divided from the darkness by the revolution of the earth every 24 hours! What's so strange about that? What's so strange is, it's at Gen. 1:3 that alias-gabriel wants to start his perverted story of creation! As we can clearly see, the creation account of Genesis chapter 1 is hardly given in an orderly manner! Then the story continues at verses 6-8 where it says:

“⁶ And God said, Let there be a firmament in the midst of the waters, and let it divide the waters from the waters. ⁷ And God made the firmament, and divided the waters which were under the firmament from the waters which were above the firmament: and it was so. ⁸ And God called the firmament Heaven. And the evening and the morning were the second day.”

When it says "firmament" here, it simply means the atmosphere, the mass of air surrounding the earth. Then it speaks of dividing these waters into the waters on the earth from the waters contained in the atmosphere. Here again, without the rays of the sun there could be no evaporation of the waters on the earth to become the waters in the air. This is a process that has continued down to the present day. Without it there would be no rain! Yet in the Genesis account we are told that the sun was not created until the fourth day! Here again is evidence that the Genesis story is not given in chronological order. It should also be becoming evident that it is not speaking of 24 hour days.

Continuing, verses 8-10 declares: “⁸ **And God called the firmament Heaven. And the evening and the morning were the second day.** ⁹ **And God said, Let the waters under the heaven be gathered together unto one place, and let the dry land appear: and it was so.** ¹⁰ **And God called the dry land Earth; and the gathering together of the waters called he Seas: and God saw that *it was good.*”**

This is speaking of nothing more than the separation of the bodies of water from the land masses that existed at that time. It is more than likely that the transition from a fiery molten planet to a cooled-off stable condition took what we would consider an extremely long period of time. Maybe one complete circuit around the galaxy of 250,000,000 years. It's anyone's guess, but it didn't happen over night! It was at this point, and only at this point, that we can consider the creation of “... the earth bring[ing] forth grass, the herb yielding seed ...”, maybe taking another circuit around the Milky Way to complete. With the earth gradually cooling off, chances are that the first vegetation that was able to survive was at higher elevations or in the polar regions. In creating all of these things, the Almighty never once violated any of His laws or principals of biology or physics!

It is ridiculous to take a myopic (nearsighted) view of creation as alias-gabriel advocates. The Almighty would never have created plant life without first creating a source of sunlight, water and nutrients in the soil. If plant life could grow without the aid of sunlight, there would be no reason for putting glass roofs on greenhouses, nor would there be any need for purchasing special violet lamps for growing plants indoors! Neither did the Almighty create the earth first and then build the universe of thousands, if not hundreds of thousands of galaxies around the earth. In the approximate 7,500 years since Adam (according to the reckoning of the Septuagint), we Adamites haven't moved very far in our solar system's circuit around the Milky Way. As a people, we still have 249,992,500 years to go just to complete one circuit around our own immediate galaxy!

The main thing that I wanted to demonstrate with this paper is the fact that, as the story of creation is told in Genesis chapter 1, it will go back to a particular phase and then explain that phase in greater detail. This is exactly what happened with the creation of Adam-man, as the “man” at Gen. 1:27 is the exact same Hebrew word as the “man” at Gen. 2:7. Therefore the story of the “man” at Gen. 2:7 is simply a review or replay of the story in greater detail of the creation of “man” at Gen. 1:27! In short, there never were two creations of two different men as alias-gabriel insists. Since the “man” at Gen. 1:27 was made in the image of God (elohim), are we supposed to believe that God resembles the non-blushing races?

This is what alias-gabriel declared in regard to the relation of Gen. 2:7 to Gen. 1:27 on page 4: “Now to those of you who have been taught that this is a repeat of chapter 1 of Genesis, I would like to point out to you that it is most certainly not. This chapter 2 creation process doesn't follow the orderly process of Genesis 1 ...”

It is evident that alias-gabriel never went into the depth of investigation of Genesis chapter 1 as it has been presented in this exposé! So if alias-gabriel is so cocksure about his flawed hypothesis, why doesn't he demonstrate to us how one

could grow plant life without any natural or artificial sunlight? Where is his proof? He has none! His only inclination is to create chaos!

The first five chapters of Genesis are the foundation of the Bible, and if we don't interpret them right, our whole Scriptural foundation is flawed. It is clear from Genesis chapter 5 that the Bible is a book of Adam, and no one else. How dare alias-gabriel give our heritage to the non-blushing people! The Hebrew "DM" in Adam's name means blood! How can anyone be so asinine to claim otherwise? Yet there are those who do!