

given for man working six days only, and resting the seventh is that God worked for six days and rested on the seventh. This reasoning requires six literal days for creation.<sup>44</sup> (See chart page 107).

Many have thought there was a gap in vs. 2 or that the “days” represent “ages”.<sup>45, 46</sup> However, there is no allowance for a gap. The earth did not become waste and wild by a chaotic destruction, but it, and the stary heavens, were created *very good* in six days.<sup>47</sup> *Very good* does not allow for chaos, death, or destruction in the creation account. In fact, God had Moses emphasize the *very good* nature of creation to counter the pagan myths based on the chaos of warring gods.

Likewise, it does not allow for *death-selection*<sup>48</sup> by Evolution in the supposed gap. For evolution is the modern analogue of the pagan Babylonian creation myths. Both teach the chaos of survival of the fittest, where fittest means biggest, baddest, and strongest. But it was not so before the fall of man. God said His work was “very good”.

Christians compromising with the world attempt to insert the evolutionary geological ages into Genesis 1:2 or they resort to the “day age” heresy.<sup>49</sup> Yet, notice that Exodus 20:11 says that the *heavens* were created in six days. This

means all the stary galaxies, the clusters and super clusters, and the vast walled tapestries stretched out like a tent over hundreds of millions of parsecs.<sup>50</sup>

It was all created in six days of earth-normal time. The present configuration of the heavens reached its present shape through hyper accelerated processes elsewhere, which if they had occurred at earth normal rates would have taken eons to occur. However, the Creator compressed His whole project of arranging the stary heavens into the time from the 4<sup>th</sup> day to the 6<sup>th</sup> day, and He was finished on the seventh.<sup>51</sup> If necessary God could have hit the fast forward button on the cosmos for long enough for light to reach earth by the end of the 4<sup>th</sup> day.<sup>52</sup> However, the only trustworthy answer to the otherwise speculative question of how much time has passed since creation is the divine revelation of the bible itself.

This chronology will demonstrate that the bible is entirely literal and true, and that every temporal statement agrees with every other statement. It is not a thing that a mere man can engineer, but it is a testimony to the creator woven into the unchangeable fabric of history. It will demonstrate exactly how much time has passed according to the Creator's own words.

### *The Definition of "Day" and the Sabbath*

First the "darkness" is mentioned in Genesis 1:2. (In Genesis 1:5 this is defined as "night"). Then the light is created (Gen. 1:3), which is defined as "day" (1:5). The light is "divided" from the "darkness" (night) in vs. 4, which can

<sup>44</sup> Furthermore, God defined the “light” as “day” (Gen. 1:5), and the darkness as “night”. The text counts the periods of light as one through the sixth day, with the nights between. The “day-agers” should be asked how the life created on the third, fifth, and sixth days can survive the age-long days and nights without changing the total from six of each? The problem is that they “believe” in evolution or the geological column as defined by evolutionists, and not acknowledging its sandy foundations, they are logically compelled to reject Genesis one or engage in the gymnastics of reinterpretation and re-definition in that chapter.

<sup>45</sup> Exodus 20:11 includes the creation of *the heavens* in the six days. Genesis 1:14-19 places the creation of the Sun, Moon, and Stars on the 4<sup>th</sup> day of the week. The weekly cycle, with the Sabbath rest on the 7<sup>th</sup> day at the end of days is God's biblical memorial to six days of creative activity followed by rest. It is a pattern that God wishes man to imitate since He made him in His own image (Genesis 1:23). As God worked for six literal days, so He expects man to create for six days and then rest. For a review (and refutation) of the arguments of the “day age” heresy see Sarfati 253.107, chapter 2, “The Days of Creation”.

<sup>46</sup> It is possible that Gen. 1:2 refers to the destruction of the Flood. See note 245.24.

<sup>47</sup> Genesis 1:31.

<sup>48</sup> “Natural Selection” after the fall of man received a boost from death and decay in the environment. Natural Selection removes genetic streams from the gene pool that cannot cope with the decaying environment. The removal is by death of those individuals with the non-competitive genes. Natural Selection does occur, but it is not an evolutionary mechanism. It merely operates on pre-existing genetic material to weed out genetic traits that are not competitive in a stressed (post-fall) environment. It does nothing to create new genetic code. Evolutionists have renamed natural selection as *micro-evolution*. However, we should not use this term since it slants the argument in their favor by confusing definitions of evolution.

<sup>49</sup> Even the careful Chronologist, Martin Anstey, (251.6), in “Period I. The Patriarchs,” was not free from this error. His Hebrew arguments that *hayah* must mean “became” are audaciously confident, but totally ignorant and are refuted by Jonathan Sarfati 253.107, *Refuting Compromise*, pg. 103. Likewise, the over-confident insistence that *tohu* means “waste” instead of “formless” is due to contextual contamination from other uses without understanding the actual lexical meaning of the word. The same is true for *vohu*, which means “empty” in Gen. 1:2. Anstey falls right into the trap of making concessions to the “day-age” theory where no such concessions are warranted or necessary.

<sup>50</sup> A parsec is a length that light travels near earth in 3.26 years. It should not be assumed that light travels at the same speed elsewhere away from earth at present, nor should it be assumed that its speed has always remained the same in near earth space. The language used by astronomers to measure distance in “billions of light years” is definitionally biased against the young universe. The absolute length “parsec” should be used instead. One parsec is  $1.91735116 \times 10^{13}$  miles. In addition, the actual definition of parsec is geometric: The name parsec stands for “parallax of one second of arc”, and one parsec is defined to be the distance from the Earth to a star that has a parallax of one arcsecond.

<sup>51</sup> There also may have been a hyper-accelerated episode of cosmological decay in the cosmos after the fall of man. The curse of the fall was universal reaching to the gates of the heaven of heavens. The evolutionist claims this is “special pleading”. However, a deduction that can be made based on revealed truth is not a special pleading, but merely a possible explanation of the revealed truth. The real special pleaders are those who suggest such things as “punctuated equilibrium” without a logically valid deductive premise. Special pleading adds speculative explanations to a premise that itself is speculative. Yet, the paradigm of the curse, after the fall, parsimoniously explains many observed physical features of the world.

<sup>52</sup> This not the same as the light created in transit theory. With the cosmos in fast forward, not just light is accelerated, but every physical process is synchronously accelerated so that all the laws of physics remain the same locally. In addition, every fundamental constant is correctly adjusted to the acceleration. When Yeshua walked through walls, he showed that He knew how to master space, and when he multiplied the loaves and fishes that he could master a process that required speedy physics. See Barry Setterfield, and Trevor Norman, *The Atomic Constants, Light, and Time* (254.117). See Walt Brown, *In the Beginning* (251.21), pg. 232ff. In addition, quantum effects logically require communication faster than light, but because the method of communication is not known, physicists cling to “c” as the ultimate speed limit of the universe like a religious dogma. See also Dr. Don DeYoung, *Thousands ...Not Billions* (251.34). This book is a summary of the RATE project research (see RATE: 253.100).