

SIX DAY CREATION

It is not the intent of this essay to explain Multiple Personality Disorder, later called Dissociative Identity Disorder, but I worked with multiples for several years so I do have a working knowledge of the condition.¹ However, from multiples, I learned a whole lot about the unseen spiritual world that surrounds us all, which led me to question some of my basic dogmas. For instance . . .

I could be in conversation with one alter who would decide to go "inside," i.e. back into the spiritual world, and I might not talk to that same alter again for several days. When I saw her again, I would sometimes ask if we had been talking continually or if time had elapsed between our two conversations. Well guess what, time had not elapsed while she was inside, so in the spiritual world there is no time! In fact, time is a creation of God.

Isaiah 45:12 "I have made the earth, and created man upon it: I, even my hands, have stretched out the heavens, and all their host have I commanded."

So contrary to conservative belief, the universe was not created in place as we see it today, but "stretched out," which took time! So it appears that God may have created time by the very act of stretching out the heavens, an event that could have taken many billions of years. But God does not reside in a timed universe, He resides in eternity, in timelessness, totally outside of time, an understanding that changed my whole view of the six days of creation!

Sometimes we have to stand back from our short little materialistic lives and look at scriptural accounts from the perspective of the Author. There were no human observers at creation, only God was there. Therefore, God must have

¹ For more information on MPD/DID, please read, *The Shining Man With Hurt Hands*, a free download from this site.

dictated the account of the six days of creation, either to Adam, *Genesis 5:1*, or to Moses, *Exodus 20:11*. So was God telling humankind about the six "days" from His timeless perspective or from man's myopic time-bound view? Can't tell from the text, but we should at least look at the possibility that the Lord was describing those days from His position in timelessness, in which 17,000,000,000 years are less than an eye-blink.

The Sun was not created until Day 4, the Earth's rotation around which defines the 24-hour day. So what timescale was God using to define those days of creation? No way to tell. Could creation have taken six literal 24 hour days? Of course. But as God actually saw those "days," from His position outside of time, could creation have taken many geologic ages? Of course.

Once we understand that God dictated the account of creation from His eternal timelessness, it is no longer a scriptural certainty that creation took place in six literal 24-hour days, particularly when geologic evidence indicates the possibility of creation taking eons. Viewing creation from God's perspective, neither view does damage to Scripture so we should all be able to happily worship the Lord with brethren who hold either position.