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•TODAY, I WOULD LIKE US TO TURN OUR GAZE FROM THE HEAVENS OF GENESIS 1 AND **FOCUS ON THE EARTH BELOW TOGETHER** WITH THE SEA **ASSOCIATED WITH IT.**

•WE WILL DISCOVER HOW GOD USED THE PROTOLOGY OF EARTH & SEA TO PREFIGURE THE ESCHATOLOGY OF THE SAME IN REVELATION



• PROTOLOGY IS THE STUDY OF HOW THINGS BEGIN WHILE **ESCHATOLOGY** IS THE STUDY OF HOW THINGS END, THAT IS **ALPHA & OMEGA**



·[1] In the beginning, God created the heavens and the earth.

[2] The earth was without form and void, and darkness was over the face of the deep.

And the Spirit of God was hovering over the face of the waters.

[9] And God said, "Let the waters under the heavens be gathered together into one place,

and let the dry land appear." And it was so.

[10] God called the dry land Earth,



and the waters that were gathered together he called Seas.



And God saw that it was good.

Genesis 1:1-2; 9

As stated last time, I do not believe this about the creation of the material world.

This describes the establishment of the legal framework by which God would

Administer His rule among a select group of people approx. 6000-7000 years ago

The earth in verse 1, 2 and 10 is translated from the Hebrew word Erets.

The Bible Project gives the following definition of Erets:

Erets," the Hebrew word for land or earth, appears throughout the Bible as the realm that exists between

The heavens above and the chaotic waters below

'erets, eh'-rets; from an unused root probably meaning to be

the earth (at large, or partitively a land):common, country, earth

It is important to establish from the onset that the ancient people of the Bible had absolutely no globe world view.

To them, the world consisted only of what they could observe from their vantage point.

Therefore, Erets was the land that they inhabited and that they could

see.

"Unlike the remainder of the planets in the Solar System, mankind didn't

perceive the Earth as a planet until the sixteenth century." Arnett, Bill, 2016. The Nine Planets, A Multimedia Tour of the Solar System: one star, eight planets, and more.

Throughout the OT ERETS is used to denote the land upon which a particular people

Are dwelling and NEVER the planet earth as we know it today!

FACTS ABOUT THE ERETS AND THE SEA:

- Created by God.
- Formless & void.
- Completely under water.

FACTS ABOUT THE ERETS AND THE SEA:

- ✓ God's Spirit hovered over the waters.
- **All waters**gathered into one

FACTS ABOUT THE ERETS AND THE SEA:

place and named the SEAS.

There was only one piece of land.

We can decipher the meaning of Bible passages one of two ways: Exegesis vs Eisegesis

[23] I looked on the earth, and behold, it was without form and void; and to the heavens, and they had no light.

JEREMIAH 4:23-24

[24] I looked on the mountains, and behold, they were quaking, and all the hills moved to and fro.

JEREMIAH 4:23-24

[25] Looked, and behold, there was no man, and all the birds of the air had fled. [26] looked, and behold,

the fruitful land was a desert, and all its cities were laid in ruins before the Lord, before his fierce anger.

JEREMIAH 4:23-24

JEREMIAH USES ALMOST THE VERBATIM LANGUAGE OF GENESIS 1!

If we can understand what Jeremiah is speaking about, we will have a very good inspired idea about what

Genesis 1:2 is on about. First, Jeremiah reverses the order of events in Genesis ie his is a DECREATION process.

Without form, and void.-An obvious quotation from the tohu va-bohu of Genesis 1:2. The goodly land of Israel

Was thrown back, as it were, into a formless chaos, before the words "Let there be light" had brought it into order.

BARNES NOTES ON THE BIBLE:

In four verses each beginning with "I beheld", the prophet sees in vision the desolate condition of BARNES NOTES ON THE BIBLE:

Judaea during the Babylonian captivity.

The point is that the inspired prophet is giving us God's system of language

Usage and how we ought to interpret it. Using modern scientific thought,

Young Earth Creationists (YEC) have forced the language of Genesis

1 to mean a material creation starting from nothing (Exnihilo). Jeremiah on

The other hand proves to us that no such idea is in the mind of the ancient

Scripture writers. After all, the decreation of Judah did not actually

nvolve the material reversal of the land into nothingness as assumed of Genesis

The ERETS of Gen 1 is the covenant order that God established with the

The people called Adam (plural) in Genesis 1:26-27:

[26] Then 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 birds of the heavens and over the livestock and over all the earth and over every

creeping thing that creeps on the earth." [27] So God created man in his own image,

in the image of God he created him; male and female he created THEM.

Genesis 1:26-27

The conditions being described in Genesis 1 refer to the spiritual conditions that existed among the Adam

before God revealed Himself to them and organized them as His peculiar people amongst humanity in general.

There was no covenantal order, hence they were formless and void. Just like Judah when they broke the

Covenant by 587 BC Jeremiah gives us an apt description of the condition in Genesis 1

They were dwelling in darkness. This is NOT physical darkness! John 1 addresses what is really going on in Gen 1:

11 In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. [2] He was in the beginning with God.

[3] All things were made through him, and without him was not any thing made that was made. [4] In him was life, and the life was the LIGHT of men.

[5] The LIGHT shines in the DARKNESS, and the DARKNESS has not overcome it. John 1:1-5

The first thing that God does in Genesis is to declare LIGHT. Keep in mind that in the YEC and most futurist views of a material creation in

Genesis, the sun, moon and stars did not get created till the 4th day. So the light in day 1 is not any sort of cosmic or physical light.

John assured us it is the light of revelation. Paul also concurs:

"[6] For God, who said, "Let light shine out of darkness," has shone in

our hearts to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ.

"the people dwelling in darkness have seen a great light, and for those dwelling in the region and shadow of death, on them a light has dawned." Matthew 4:16

We are also informed that the beginning, the Erets was completely covered with water. If, as am emphatically teaching, Genesis 1 is

NOT describing a material creation 6000 or so years ago, then what is the meaning of this water world?



To make sense of this, we must turn our attention to the mirror image of Genesis in the Bible: Revelation.

11 Then one of the seven angels who had the seven bowls came and said to me, "Come, I will show

you the judgment of the great prostitute who is seated on many waters, [15] And the angel said to me,

"The waters that you saw, where the prostitute is seated, are peoples and multitudes and nations and languages.

First, we are shown the image of a prostitute about to come into judgement who is seated on many waters. Before long,

an angel explains that the waters actually refer to multitudes of humans belonging to many tribes and tongues.

Not only that, John is given a summary of the aftermath of that judgement 3 chapters later in Revelation 21:

[1] Then I saw a new heaven and a new earth, for the FIRST HEAVEN and the FIRST EARTH had PASSED AWAY, and THE SEA was NO MORE

Using the principle that Jesus and the Apostles are the basis for correctly understanding the Old Covenant, I confidently assert that

the waters that covered the Erets in Genesis 1 refer to the multitudes of people's that lived in and populated the promised land of God's covenant

people before God distinguished them through the terms of the covenant.

In the same way that Israel descended from

the Gentile Abraham out of Chaldea, the people called Adam themselves belonged to the generic mass of humans hitherto known as the waters in Genesis 1:2.

Observe how Peter masterfully describes how God formed His special covenant people at the beginning:

"For this is unobserved by them willingly, that the heavens were of old, and THE EARTH OU

OF WATER AND THROUGH WATER STANDING TOGETHER by the Word of God. 2 **Pet 3:5 YLT**

In the later parts of the Old Covenant and in the New Testament, this distinction is expressed as a two-fold People: Israel and Gentiles. Israel is seen as the people of the land (ERETS) while Gentiles are generally seen as the SEA people

Having understood this structure of things we can now express the eschatology of the earth and sea as set out in Genesis as follows:

At the beginning of the Old Covenant in Genesis 1, God differentiated two groups of people: the people of the earth and the people of the sea.

The people of the land became designated Adam and ultimately Israel. The people of the sea became the nations of the land and ultimately

Gentiles. God determined to utilize the earth people as His representatives in order to bring the people of the sea into His knowledge and thus

finally unite them as one family through Christ.

Paul records how this was accomplished in the 1st century:

[11] Therefore remember that at one time you Gentiles in the flesh, called "the uncircumcision" by what is called the

circumcision, which is made in the flesh by hands— [12] remember that you were at that time separated from Christ, alienated from

the commonwealth of Israel and strangers to the covenants of promise, having no hope and without God in the world. [13] But now in

Christ Jesus you who once were far off have been brought near by the blood of Christ. [14] For he himself is our peace, who has made

us both one and has broken down in his flesh the dividing wall of hostility [15] by abolishing the law of commandments

expressed in ordinances, that he might create in himself. one new man in place of the two, so making peace, [16] and might

reconcile us both to God in one body through the cross, thereby killing the hostility. [17] And he came and preached peace to you who were

far off and peace to those who were near. [18] For through him we both have access in one Spirit to the Father. [19] So then you are no

longer strangers and aliens, but you are fellow citizens with the saints and members of the household of God, [20] built on the foundation

of the apostles and prophets, Christ Jesus himself being the cornerstone, [21] in whom the whole structure, being joined

together, grows into a holy temple in the Lord. [22] In him you also are being built together into a dwelling place for God by the Spirit. Eph 2:11-22 [26] for in Christ Jesus you are all sons of God, through faith. [27] For as many of you as were baptized into Christ have put on Christ. [28] There

is neither Jew nor Greek, there is neither slave nor free, there is no male and female, for you are all one in Christ Jesus. [29] And if you are

Christ's, then you are Abraham's offspring, heirs according to promise.

Galatians 3:26-29

[11] Here there is not Greek and Jew, circumcised and uncircumcised, barbarian, Scythian, slave, free; but Christ is all, and in all.

Colossians 3:11

The first order of things in which the kingdom was divided into first

class citizens (earth people) and lower class citizens (sea people) was abolished in the finished work of Christ.

Today, we dwell after the end ie ESCHATON of the heaven, earth and sea. Here is the world in which we dwell now:

[1] Then I saw a new heaven and a new earth, for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and the sea was no more.

[2] And I saw the holy city, new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. [3] And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying, "Behold, the dwelling place of God is with man. He will dwell with them, and they will

be his people, and God himself will be with them as their God. [4] He will wipe away every tear from their eyes, and death shall be no more,

neither shall there be mourning, nor crying, nor pain anymore, for the former things have passed away." [5] And he who was seated on the

throne said, "Behold, I am making all things new." Also he said, "Write this down, for these words are trustworthy and true."

[6] And he said to me, "It is done! I am the Alpha and the Omega, the beginning and the end. To the thirsty I will give from the spring of water

of life without payment. Revelation 21:1-6.

God bless you all and thank you!