

have said that somebody wrote it at the time of David or something like that. In the Supplementary Theory the basic thing is the foundation writing, with the J additions to it made at a later time.

Ewald held that there was a great unity in it, but he did not believe that it was actually written by Moses. Ewald wrote his great attack on the Fragmentary Hypothesis. In 1830 he strongly followed the Supplementary Theory. Naturally some people would still hold the Fragmentary Theory but gradually it was displaced and in a few years the Supplementary Hypothesis was accepted by almost everyone. We need to see what killed it later on. Some continued to hold it until 1900, but it was held by most of the critical scholars only until about 1875.

When scholars began studying the Supplementary Hypothesis they began to find certain difficulties. One difficulty has been pointed out by Mr. Schreiber [student]. It is alleged that you do not have two complete documents, but one, but is that one complete? Soon you find places where it does not seem to be complete. Thus you start with the document that has the name God and you read how God created the world and it was good. That is chapter one, then chapters two, three, and four use the name Jehovah and so are considered supplementary. Look at the next chapter, and read, "And the earth was full of violence, and God saw the earth and it was full of violence, and He said, 'I will destroy man.'" Where did this violence come from? God made a good earth. Everything that He had made was good, and yet He sees that it is full of violence and is going to destroy it. Where did this evil come from? That is a queer change without any explanation for it. The supplement (the J document), gives the explanation — the fall of man and the coming of wickedness. There is nothing in the E document about any such thing. So it is difficult. As it goes on, it assumes knowledge of something which it does not explain. That is the difficulty.

Another example is Genesis 20:13, "And it came to pass, when God caused me to wander from my father's house, that I said unto her, This is thy kindness which thou shalt show unto me; at every place to which we shall come, say of me, He is my brother." Why doesn't the