

C.- Argument from Parallel Passages - the strongest.

1.- Different types of parallel passages.

- a.- Two complete stories - like Gen 1:1 - 2:4 and Gen 2:4 on
 - also contradictions in two stories.
 - maybe redactor was stupid, or he thought they were distinct separate stories.
- There are also seeming parallels in same document - Abraham and wife in Egypt--in J twice and once in E.
- b.- Two woven together--flood
 - Gets ridiculous when you get down to half verses.
- c.- A summary statement
 - God came as He promised and God did as He said.
- d.- A thing is stated in one verse and the description of the event follows. This is not an occasion to split but rather similar to the topic sentence and body of a paragraph. Like stories in a newspaper!
- e.- Split up duplication in a sentence which was repetition for emphasis.
- The last three types are a common thing in Hebrew and may be found in any of the documents in toto. Why don't the critics divide these up.

Answers: Gen 1:1 - 2:4 - Creation of Universe
 2:4 - - Creation of man only
 brought anima's to man to be named.
 (like to mos that overlap slightly--
 N.J. and U.S.A.)

Gen: 1-3 (J - Y & EL)
 (P - E1 only)
 2:4 on - J
 1-2:4 - P

 See "The O. T. from the Modern Point of View" - Patton - pg. 87-91
 for examples of ridiculous criticism of Genesis.

- In Gen 27:41 - Rebecca gave two different reasons for sending off Jacob. Not a contradiction but two good reasons calculated to motivate the two receptors to do what she wanted them to do.
- In Gen 30:23-24 - He claims a sentence was left out of middle (And she called his name Joseph, he takes away). An assumption not reasonably founded on which is built quite a structure. Joseph means both meanings. Why must we say it can only mean one? Many names in O.T. are special because they are a play on words to kill two birds with one stone.
- In Gen 37 & 39 - Joseph's sale to a caravan.

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1. Fairy stories have person #1 telling a story, #2 the same, #3 the same.
 2. Also there are duplicate stories in J (Ab. and wife in Egypt).
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- Patton gives J and P stories. Note very little exactly duplicate material. Most unreasonable to separate. Note in discussion about killing him there are ~~only 2 documents~~ 3 "separate" accounts but since there are only "2" documents, one gets 2. Now, with 2 quite different stories, the critic goes on to point out "discrepancies" and "contradictions."