

~~we find~~ we find that on the third day God commanded that the earth should bring forth grass, and fruit-tree, and we read that the earth ~~of~~ brought forth grass, yielding seed after its kind, and fruit tree, yielding fruit after his kind.

He says,

Again on the fifth day, /Let the water bring ~~of~~ froth the moving creatures ~~that~~ has ~~have~~ life. And on the sixth day He commanded that the earth should bring forth

living creatures ~~after~~ after his kind, cattle, and creeping things ... in the earth <sup>was</sup> after his kind, and it was so. If it ~~is~~ desired to present the idea that God gave to man everything should certainly come into existence full grown, it would have been ~~of~~ very easy to express that idea, but the idea ~~expressed~~ expressed in these passages are very different.

Let the earth bring forth grass, the herb yielding seed and fruit tree ~~yield~~ yielding fruit after its kind, and it was so. Certain suggests that there ~~long~~ long, was a/slow process as grass began to come up out of the earth, and various types of herbs and various kinds of trees ~~yield~~ ~~yield~~ yielding fruit after their kind. Surely, at least 100 years would be involved in the carrying out of the events described in this verse. It might well have spread over many centuries. We are not told how it took. But the language used is a language which .. if it is <sup>read</sup> exactly as ~~is exactly read~~ ~~understood~~, would suggest ~~it rather than~~ a long period rather than an instantaneous act. As such, it could ~~have been~~ just as well have taken one second as ~~one~~ one day.

~~XX~~ However, as we look at this account of these various states of Genesis, it is interesting to see the order of events. It begins ... on the first day light comes to this earth. And God divides the light from darkness. There is not yet the sun available as far as this earth is concerned. The fourth verse says, In the fourth day we read, that God made two great lights, a greater light to rule the day, and lesser light to rule the night, and set them in the firmament of