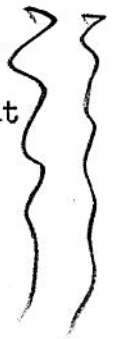


the same matter we know that they will not contradict one another though they may supplement each other and either of them may give us knowledge of certain aspects which are not touched upon in the other.

The Bible does not have as its purpose the explanation of the mysteries of the physical universe. Its purpose is to tell us about God and the great things of eternity. When, however, it touches upon matters of the physical universe, it is found to be right in what it says about them.



A ¶ No Christian who believes in an almighty God can possibly doubt that God could create the entire universe in six days if He chose. For that matter, God might create the universe in six minutes or six seconds, if He chose. The question is not, what could God do, but what did God do. ~~to Bant's h~~ On this we are interested in any evidence which science may give or which the Bible may give. In the Bible we find the word day used in Genesis 1 and also in many other places in the Bible. Before we can draw conclusions from it, we must decide what the meaning of this word is, as used in this context. We find that the word day is used in the Old Testament in three different senses. It is obvious that it ^{is} used many times in the sense of a period of 24 hours but this is far from being its exclusive use. Very frequently the word is used in the sense of a period much shorter than 24 hours. It represents the light period of the day. This is obviously its use in verse..... where it says that the light He called day and the darkness He called night. However, this is clearly not the sense in verse and because there he says and the evening and the morning were such and such a day.