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inevitably many vital concepts some of which we may perhaps never understand. But many of which when they are told to us, when we see Him face to face will be so simple we'll think, Why didn't we see that before? And that made what seemed very difficult to understand, very simple and very clear having that concept. In our present situation it is very vital we recognize the two facts: we see, but we see in part. We see through a glass darkly because there are many concepts that we don't have, that may be difficult for us to see beyond what is clearly taught, but that we do see.

I think this comes before us clearly in the very first verse of Genesis. There we read: God created the heaven and the earth. We know that this God as is taught elsewhere in Scripture is the One great self-existent Being who controls all things. We know that He created, that he made the first stardom(?), that he merely did not change the form but he caused it to come into existence. We know God created heaven and earth. Earth is the world we live in; heaven is everything else in the universe. He created all this. When did He create it? In the beginning? In the beginning of what? The beginning of his creation. The philosophical idea that when in the beginning, you mean there was nothing before that is not contained in the verse. In the beginning of the thing He did. Whether it was the beginning of all existence, nobody knows. Whether he created other worlds before, what else he may have made we do not know. So this phrase "in the beginning" does not convey a great deal of meaning. The next verse goes on, "And the earth became without form and void." The word translated "was" here is a dynamic word. It became without form and void. Does that mean there came into existence an earth without form and void? So there became in the sense of there came into existence right then?