

...here I would like to ask just who has established this as a rule that unless the context shows it's an indefinite period it must be a solar day? The fact is that the context must show which of the three meanings the word has in the particular instance. Moses never established such a rule, nor does any Bible passage establish such a rule. As far as the meaning of the word yom is concerned we do not know from that which interpretation is the right one in Genesis one.

The second argument that Dr. Rimmer gives is the statement that the word yom occurs 1480 times in the Hebrew text and it's translated "DAY" 1181 times in the English Bible. He therefore says, "this, ~~therefore~~ then, establishes a general rule for the guidance of the investigator; the word 'yom' is to be rendered 'day', unless the context holds some reason and authority for translating it otherwise." We note however--he goes on to say "please note the authority is to be found in the text." Here however he is making the authority not the text but the interpretation given by the translators thousands of years after Moses wrote. However, in addition to that, the fact that the word is translated day so many times does not prove at all what sort of day is meant. It is often used to mean simply the light period between two periods of darkness. It is also used a very considerable number of times, to mean an indefinite period.

Argument 2, there is no evidence given that would have any validity in determining the matter.

At the bottom part of page 4, we find the third argument. This is the fact that there is a rule of Hebrew that is invariably followed in the sacred text: WHENEVER THE WORD 'YOM' ^{IS PRECEDED} ~~is preceded~~ ^{NUMERICAL} ~~BY A NUMERICAL~~ PARTICLE we are forced to accept it as a literal day."

Here is an argument which certainly needs to be examined. Is it a Biblical fact that whenever the word day is preceded by a number this proves that it means the time that it takes the earth to revolve on its axis. There is certainly no statement to this effect anywhere in the Bible. When a day of the ^{month} ~~month~~ is mentioned, naturally what is meant is