

accustomed to move, the earth suddenly is gladdened by its first sunrise.... The reason faded from ~~the~~ sight on the Fourth Day was because the earth ~~did~~ kept right on turning as it had the first two days, and aeons before these days began."

Dr. Rimmer in under argument 4 does not interpret the appearance of the statement, let there be light, as a creation of light at all, but merely as the beginning of the time when a little light from the sun reached the earth after ages and ages in which no light at all from the sun had reached the earth. Then on the 4th day he thinks that all of the fog and vapor that had so long obscured the light of the sun was removed.

This interpretation of Dr. Rimmer's seems to rob the first day also of all instantaneity. It is true indeed that God could say, let all the fog and vapor that has been so extremely black and so completely obscured, kept away all light from the sun, suddenly be eradicated. But there is no reason to think that He did, in the light of the way He created man, it is equally possible that in this --if Dr. Rimmer's interpretation is correct that the removal of barriers which kept all light from reaching the earth during ~~ages~~ ages and ages, was something which occurred gradually over a long period of time rather than an instantaneous act. The Bible simply does not state.

Perhaps the action of the first day was instantaneous, perhaps not; in any event there is no other--it cannot be said that there is any other statement in the first chapter that "demands instantaneity. It is unfortunate indeed that when the facts ~~that~~ are as they are, that a statement should be made that "the wording of the text in each case is such as to demand instantaneity. In most cases it is the exact opposite.

The 6th point consists of the argument of the instance that God could accomplish on any one day all that the Bible says He did--on one solar day--all that the Bible says he did on ~~any~~ one of these days. This is readily granted. But it may as well be an argument for days that were five minutes long as for days that were 24 hours long. God could have performed everything described in Genesis 1 in one second if He chose.