

METAPHYSICAL BIBLE INTERPRETATION
The Soul's Journey, part 1

IN THE BEGINNING

Among other things, the Bible is the story of our own individual soul's unfoldment. From the beginnings of the awareness of our individuality in the book of Genesis to our eventual conscious recognition and expression of the Christ within, the "new heaven and a new earth" (Rev 21:1) in the Revelation to John, the Bible is our story.

Genesis literally means the beginning, birth or origin. Then "the Spirit of God was moving over the face of the waters." (Gen 1:2) This is the first creation story, the spiritual creation wherein the possibility for manifestation is created. The realm of time and space requires polarity, a positive and a negative. The movement of Spirit established this polarity and the beginning of the process towards manifestation.

The second creation story, the seven days, is the mental process of bringing the Divine Ideas of Spirit into form and shape with our minds. This process culminates with the bringing forth of man "...male and female he created them." (Gen 1:27) These represent the Spiritual Faculties of Wisdom and Love, represented on the mental realm as our thinking and feeling natures. When they are aligned with Spirit they bring about a Divine expression in the manifest world "And God saw everything that he had made, and behold, it was very good." (Gen 1:31)

The third creation story, that of Adam and Eve in the Garden, is the Divine made manifest. It also illustrates the improper use of our functions of consciousness. Adam and Eve, representing our thinking and feeling natures in expression, become caught up in sensation and take their guidance from the sense nature represented by the serpent. The result is being cut off from Spirit, our infinite supply of life. But this is not permanent.

These three creation stories outline the Law upon which the rest of the Bible, life and living, are based: the Law of Mind Action. Spirit is cause and manifestation is the effect, but it is tempered by the color and direction of Mind. I CHOOSE THIS DAY TO DRAW FORTH THAT WHICH IS HIGHEST AND BEST. I CALL FORTH THE INDWELLING CHRIST SPIRIT IN ALL THAT I DO. MY MIND IS STAYED ON GOD AND THOU ARE WITH ME.