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(Romans 8:22)**

Creation Groaneth And Travaileth

Continuing on from last weeks introduction concerning geocentrism and heliocentrism we want to postulate an idea. It is based on the idea of a geocentric universe that is limited in size as opposed to a heliocentric universe which may be limitless in size.

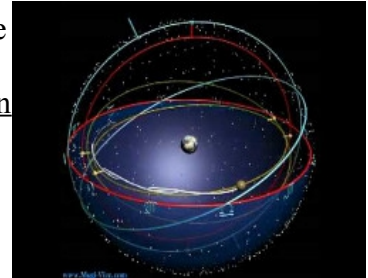
Below are some verses that we think could help to lend support to the hypothesis we plan to put forth.

Romans 8:21-23

Because the creature itself also shall be delivered from the bondage of corruption into the glorious liberty of the children of God. v21

For we know that the whole creation groaneth and travaileth in pain together until now. v22

And not only they, but ourselves also, which have the firstfruits of the Spirit, even we ourselves groan within ourselves, waiting for the adoption, to wit, the redemption of our body. V23



In these verses we wanted to point out the word “delivered” in verse 21.

and also how it is the entire creation, not just the earth, that is groaning and traveling in pain in verse 22. and in Colossians 1:16-17 the creation not only seems to include the earth but the entire universe both seen and unseen.

“For by him were all things created, that are in heaven, and that are in earth, visible and invisible, whether they be thrones, or dominions, or principalities, or powers: all things were created by him, and for him. And he is before all things, and by him all things consist.”

So when does this deliverance take place?

Romans 8:23 is very specific as to when this happens, at the time of the redemption of our body, and 1 Corinthians 15 is even more specific:

“In a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trump: for the trumpet shall sound, and the dead shall be raised incorruptible, and we shall be changed.”

And 1 Thessalonians 4:16:

“For the Lord himself shall descend from heaven with a shout, with the voice of the archangel, and with the trump of God: and the dead in Christ shall rise first.”

And Revelation 10:7:

“But in the days of the voice of the seventh angel, when he shall begin to sound, the mystery of God should be finished, as he hath declared to his servants the prophets.”

The whole creation groaning and traveling in pain waiting to be delivered sounds to us very similar to a woman who is pregnant and about to give birth.

Luke 21:8-11,25-28

"And there shall be signs in the sun, and in the moon, and in the stars; and upon the earth distress of nations, with perplexity; the sea and the waves roaring; Men's hearts failing them for fear, and for looking after those things which are coming on the earth: for the powers of heaven shall be shaken. And then shall they see the Son of man coming in a cloud with power and great glory. And when these things begin to come to pass, then look up, and lift up your heads; for your redemption draweth nigh."

Luke 21:28 like Romans 8:23 again uses the word “redemption” at the time of the second coming of Jesus.

Revelation 12:1-3

“And there appeared a great wonder in heaven; a woman clothed with the sun, and the moon under her feet, and upon her head a crown of twelve stars:

And she being with child cried, travailing in birth, and pained to be delivered.

And she brought forth a man child, who was to rule all nations with a rod of iron: and her child was caught up unto God, and to his throne.”

Here we see a pregnant woman in heaven about to give birth to a man child who is to “rule all nations with a rod of iron”. We know this prophecy has not been fulfilled and will not be fulfilled until the second coming of Jesus. He certainly did not rule all nations with a rod of iron upon His first coming. Psalm 2:9 speaks of this same event:

“Thou shalt break them with a rod of iron; thou shalt dash them in pieces like a potter's vessel.”

Luke 1:30-35

“And the angel said unto her, Fear not, Mary: for thou hast found favour with God.

And, behold, thou shalt conceive in thy womb, and bring forth a son, and shalt call his name Jesus.

He shall be great, and shall be called the Son of the Highest: and the Lord God shall give unto him the throne of his father David:

And he shall reign over the house of Jacob for ever; and of his kingdom there shall be no end.

Then said Mary unto the angel, How shall this be, seeing I know not a man?

And the angel answered and said unto her, The Holy Ghost shall come upon thee, and the power of the Highest shall overshadow thee: therefore also that holy thing which shall be born of thee shall be called the Son of God.”

Continuing in Luke 1, one of the first things Mary does after receiving this message from Gabriel is to visit her cousin Elisabeth who is six months pregnant with John the Baptist. As soon as Elisabeth hears Mary's greeting the babe leaped in her womb.

“And it came to pass, that, when Elisabeth heard the salutation of Mary, the babe leaped in her womb; and Elisabeth was filled with the Holy Ghost.”

Obviously the “womb” is of tremendous importance both spiritually and physically.

Three other verses in which “womb” could almost be interpreted as somewhat of an enigma are;

Psalm 110:3

“Thy people shall be willing in the day of thy power, in the beauties of holiness from the womb of the morning.” (KJV)

Job 38:8,29

“And I shut up the sea with gates, when it rushed out, coming forth out its mother's womb.”

“Out of whose womb comes the ice?”

Genesis 25:23

“And the Lord said to her, There are two nations in thy womb.”

Here we have the Lord speaking of the sea coming out of its mothers womb, ice coming out of a womb and two nations coming from Rachel's womb.

Very mysterious occurrences. When you think about two nations coming from the womb of a woman it sounds, well, unusual.

Obviously pregnancy, the womb, and deliverance both spiritually and physically are absolutely fundamentally essential for our redemption.

Before wrapping this up we wanted to share a few verses from Proverbs, chapter eight, regarding the Holy Spirit, the third member of the Godhead.

“Thou shalt proclaim wisdom, that understanding may be obedient to thee. For she is on lofty eminences, and stands in the midst of the ways. For she sits by the gates of princes, and sings in the entrances.

The Lord made me the beginning of his ways for his works. He established me before

time was in the beginning, before he made the earth: even before he made the depths; before the fountains of water came forth: before the mountains were settled, and before all hills, he begets me. The Lord made countries and uninhabited tracks, and the highest inhabited parts of the world. When he prepared the heaven, I was present with him; and when he prepared his throne upon the winds: and when he strengthened the clouds above; and when he secured the fountains of the earth: and when he strengthened the foundations of the earth: I was by him, suiting myself to him, I was that wherein he took delight; and daily I rejoiced in his presence continually.”

Wisdom, as is very clear, is definitely referred to in the feminine pronoun. Those of you familiar with this web site will know that we believe the Holy Spirit to be the female representative of the trinity. Incidentally the Shekiniah Glory, which rested between the wings of the Cherubim on the mercy seat atop the Ark of the Covenant, was a feminine representation of the glory of God.

Genesis 1:26-27

“And God said, Let us make man according to our image and likeness, and let them have dominion over the fish of the sea, and over the flying creatures of heaven, and over the cattle and all the earth, and over all the reptiles that creep on the earth. And God made man, according to the image of God he made him, male and female he made them.”

Lets go back to the idea of a finite geocentric universe.

If the Bible is to be taken literally, outside the universe is some type of water surrounding the universe.

Genesis 1:6-8

“And God said, Let there be a firmament in the midst of the water, and let it be a division between water and water, and it was so. And God made the firmament, and God divided between the water which was under the firmament and the water which was above the firmament. And God called the firmament Heaven, and God saw that it was good, and there was evening and there was morning, the second day.”

Genesis 7:11

“In the six hundredth year of the life of Noe, in the second month, on the twenty-seventh day of the month, on this day all the fountains of the abyss were broken up, and the flood-gates (windows) of heaven were opened.”

Is it possible that the water that exists around the universe is representative or could actually be the womb of the Holy Spirit which the whole creation is groaning and travailing in pain together waiting to be delivered through the redemption by the second coming of Jesus the Messiah?

The womb of the universe, seen and unseen.

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