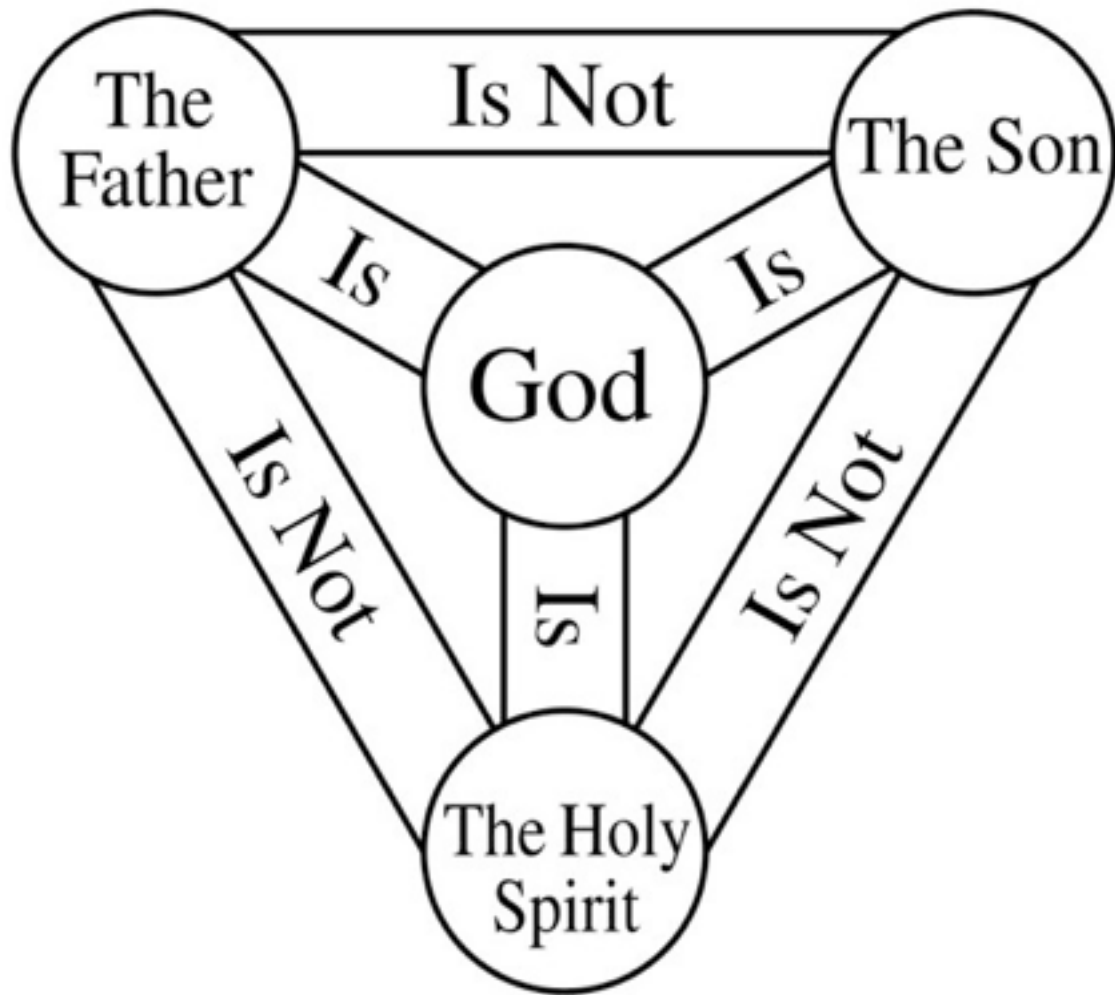


IS THE WORLD
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REAL?

Discovering our WORLD through the WORD of GOD

1. Does Elohim in Genesis 1:1 mean Trinity?



2. Does The Bible teach a Gap between
Genesis 1:1 and 1:2?

GAP THEORY



"In the beginning God created the heaven and the earth."

Genesis 1:1

Billions of years

"And the earth was without form and void; and darkness was upon the face of the deep."

Genesis 1:2

3. Does Genesis 1 and the rest of scripture describe the Earth as a Heliocentric spinning ball flying through space orbiting the Sun with other planets?



Mercury



Venus



Earth



Mars



Jupiter



Saturn



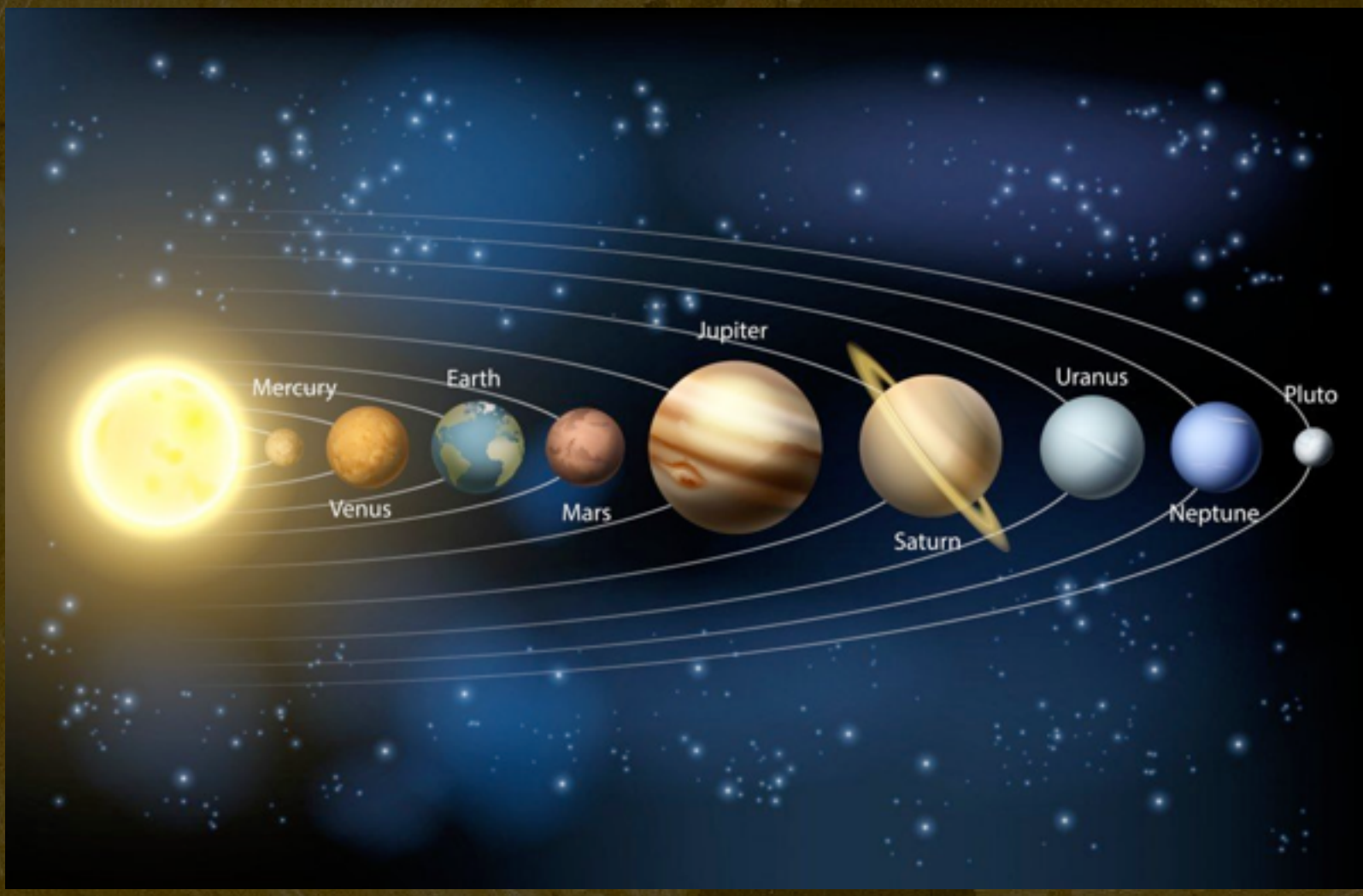
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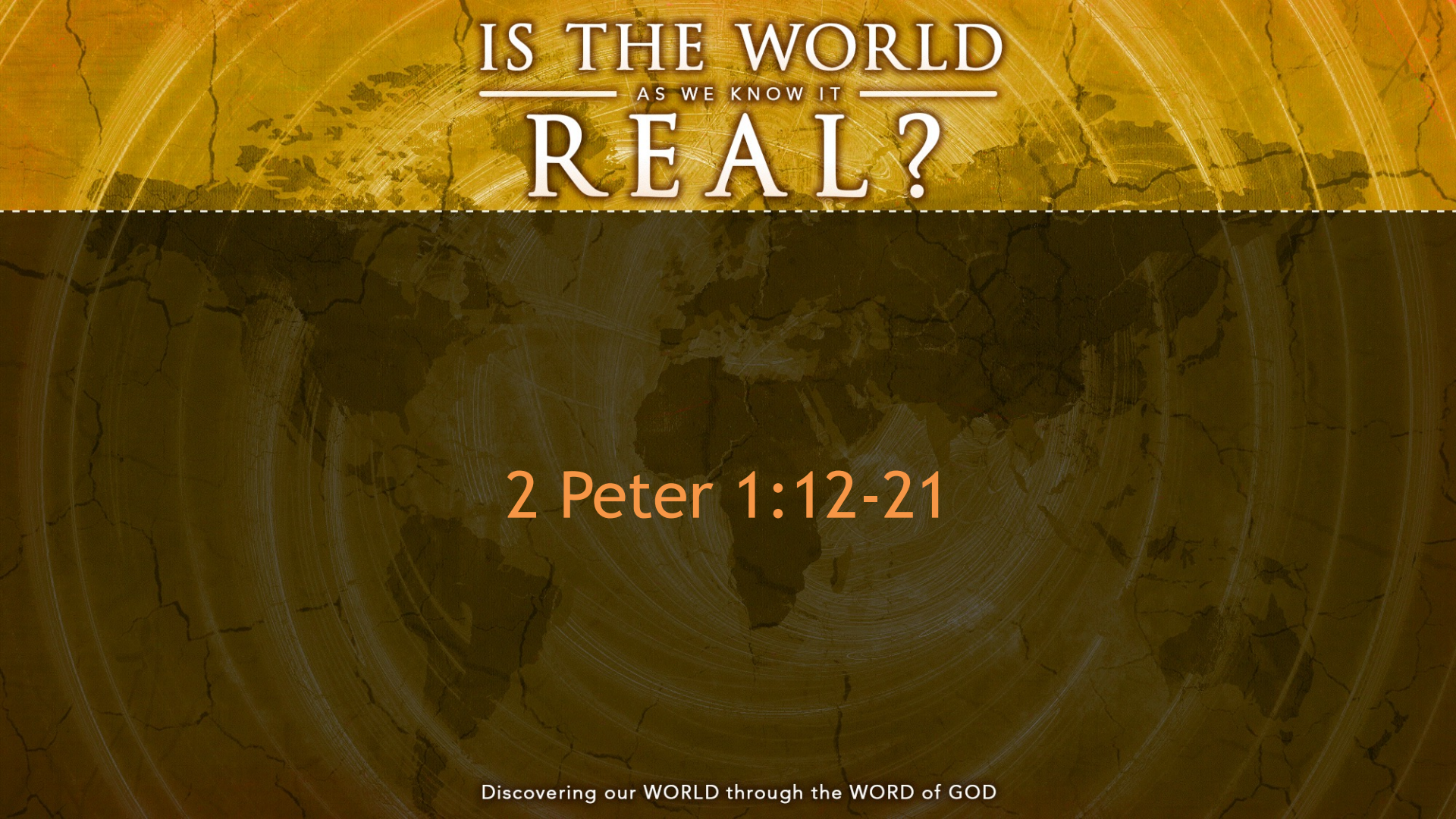
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1. Let Scripture interpret Scripture.

A correct interpretation will always be consistent with the rest of the Scriptures. Therefore, it is essential for us as students of the Bible to interpret a passage in light of what the rest of the Scriptures say on the topic. There are Scriptures that are somewhat confusing. Peter himself tells us that (2 Ptr. 3:16)! When that is the case, rather than seeking to make an interpretation based on one verse, it is essential to examine other, perhaps more clear, passages of Scripture.



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2 Peter 1:12-21

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12 Wherefore I will not be negligent to put you always in remembrance of these things, though ye know them, and be established in the present truth.

13 Yea, I think it meet, as long as I am in this tabernacle, to stir you up by putting you in remembrance; 14 Knowing that shortly I must put off this my tabernacle, even as our Master Yahshua Messiah hath shewed me.

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15 Moreover I will endeavour that ye may be able after my decease to have these things always in remembrance. 16 For we have not followed cunningly devised fables, when we made known unto you the power and coming of our Master Yahshua Messiah, but were eyewitnesses of his majesty.

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17 For he received from Yahweh the Father honour and glory, when there came such a voice to him from the excellent glory, This is my beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased.

18 And this voice which came from heaven we heard, when we were with him in the holy mount.

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19 We have also a more sure word of prophecy; whereunto ye do well that ye take heed, as unto a light that shineth in a dark place, until the day dawn, and the day star arise in your hearts: 20 Knowing this first, that no prophecy of the scripture is of any private interpretation. 21 For the prophecy came not in old time by the will of man: but holy men of Elohim spake as they were moved by the Holy Spirit.

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2. The meaning of a word, phrase, sentence, or paragraph must be derived from the context.

The context of a passage is absolutely critical to properly interpreting the Bible. Why? Well...

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- Every word in the Bible is part of a verse.
 - Every verse is part of a paragraph.
 - Every paragraph is part of a book.
 - Every book is part of the whole of Scripture.
- Because that is the case, no verse of Scripture should be divorced from the verses around it.

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3. Interpret the Scriptures knowing that the goal in interpretation is not to discover hidden, secret truths, or to be unique in your interpretation.

God has given us His Word in order to reveal Himself.

- It is not a book of dark mysteries, and riddles, it is a book of self disclosure.
 - He is not a God of confusion, but of clarity.
 - He has not spoken in order to conceal, but to be understood and known.
- Therefore, when we come to His Word we need to realize that it is the plain meaning of the text that we are seeking to understand.

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1 In the beginning Elohim created the heaven and the earth. ² And the earth was without form, and void; and darkness was upon the face of the deep. And the Spirit of Elohim moved upon the face of the waters.

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³ And Elohim said, Let there be light: and there was light. ⁴ And Elohim saw the light, that *it was* good: and Elohim divided the light from the darkness.

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⁵ And Elohim called the light Day, and the darkness he called Night. And the evening and the morning were the first day. ⁶ And Elohim said, Let there be a firmament in the midst of the waters, and let it divide the waters from the waters.

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⁷ And Elohim made the firmament, and divided the waters which *were* under the firmament from the waters which *were* above the firmament: and it was so. ⁸ And Elohim called the firmament Heaven. And the evening and the morning were the second day.

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⁹ And Elohim said, Let the waters under the heaven be gathered together unto one place, and let the dry *land* appear: and it was so.

¹⁰ And Elohim called the dry *land* Earth; and the gathering together of the waters called he Seas: and Elohim saw that *it was good*.

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¹¹ And Elohim said, Let the earth bring forth grass, the herb yielding seed, *and* the fruit tree yielding fruit after his kind, whose seed *is* in itself, upon the earth: and it was so.

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¹² And the earth brought forth grass, *and* herb yielding seed after his kind, and the tree yielding fruit, whose seed *was* in itself, after his kind: and Elohim saw that *it was* good. ¹³ And the evening and the morning were the third day.

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14 And Elohim said, Let there be lights in the firmament of the heaven to divide the day from the night; and let them be for signs, and for seasons, and for days, and years: ¹⁵ And let them be for lights in the firmament of the heaven to give light upon the earth: and it was so.

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¹⁶ And Elohim made two great lights; the greater light to rule the day, and the lesser light to rule the night: *he made* the stars also. ¹⁷ And Elohim set them in the firmament of the heaven to give light upon the earth,

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¹⁸ And to rule over the day and over the night, and to divide the light from the darkness: and Elohim saw that *it was* good. ¹⁹ And the evening and the morning were the fourth day.

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1:1 B'rëshiyt Bärä élohiym ët haSHämayim
w'ët hääretz

Genesis 1:1

in the summit Elohiym fattened the skies and
the land,

בְּרֵאשִׁית bê'rey'shit

in~SUMMIT

בָּרָא ba'ra

he~did~FATTEN (Verb)

(The skies and land are "fattened" In the sense
of being "filled up.")

אֱלֹהִים e'lo'him

Elohiym

אֵת eyt

AT

הַשָּׁמַיִם ha'sha'ma'yim

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וְאֵת wê'eyt

and~AT

הָאָרֶץ ha'a'rets

the~LAND

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—Hebrew Word Study (Transliteration-Pronunciation
Etymology & Grammar)

B'rëshiyt

1) first, beginning, best, chief

1a) beginning

1b) first

1c) chief

1d) choice part