



An “evolutionary” perspective on the Prologue:

The Movement of Awakening: from Spirit to Matter to Spirit

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| Spirit -- the beginning before any beginning (vs.1) | (“God is Spirit” Jn. 4:24) |
| Spirit – God and the Word “toward” one another: relationship (vs. 1, 2) | (“God is Spirit” Jn. 4:24) |
| Spirit – the Word was God: “Isness” or Identity (vs. 1) | (“God is Spirit” Jn. 4:24) |
| Matter (vs. 3) | (“all things,” “ <i>apart from</i> him became not even one”) |
| Life <i>in</i> the Word (vs. 4) | (“What became <i>in</i> him was life.” Incipient eternal Life [life to Life] in the creation/matter) |
| Light (vs. 4) | (incipient/emerging consciousness of eternal Life) |
| The Light shines on (vs. 5) | (the Light coming into the world & nothing could restrain it) |
| Born of God/Spirit (vss. 12-13) | (the creation/matter waking up) |
| Spirit becomes matter – matter fully awakens to Spirit (vs. 14ff) | (“the Word became flesh”) |
| The Word made flesh existing into the bosom of the Father (vs. 18) [The “Way”?] | (“into the bosom of the Father”) |
| The <i>telos</i> of all things? (vs. 18) | (“into the bosom of the Father”) |
| | (“that they all may be completed/perfected into one” 17:23) |

13.7 billion years