

We have been talking about the things that will be happening in the dispensation of the fullness of times, when the “things in heaven” and the “things in earth” will be brought together “into one” where the entire creation can fully and properly function. Finally, at that time, the heaven and the earth will be able to respond to each other.

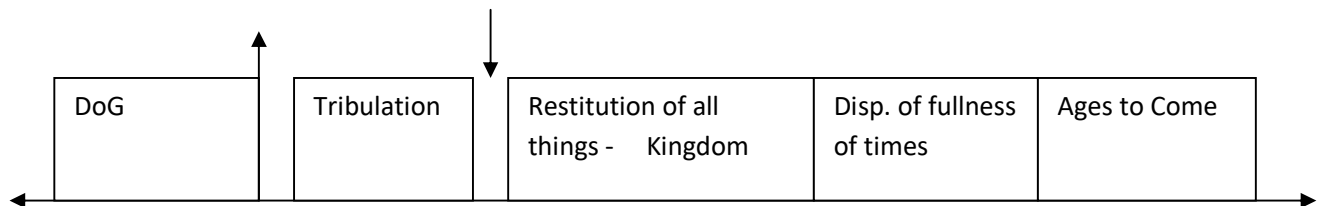
They cannot do so now because God has put some things in place to keep that from happening. Partly because of what man would do, if that barrier between heaven and earth was not in place and partly because of what Satan would do if that barrier was not in place.

For now, let’s get ourselves back to the overview of subtilty that we have been engaged in now for the last several sessions; subtilty as it applies to our heavenly Father’s business and our part in it.

Concerning the first aspects of our part in His business, there are only two entities that know how to deliver the creature from the bondage of corruption; God (in all 3 persons of the Godhead) and an educated member of the new creation, the church the body of Christ; a son who has been adopted and taken through the sonship curriculum. No one and nothing else in the universe can make the kind of decisions necessary to get that done, because no one else knows what all is involved in doing that.

That knowledge can only be gained through the sonship curriculum and its effectual working in the inner man of the son.

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The restitution of all things is spoken of as it pertains to Israel’s program in Acts 3.

Acts 3:19 Repent ye therefore, and be converted, that your sins may be blotted out, when the times of refreshing shall come from the presence of the Lord;<sup>20</sup> And he shall send Jesus Christ, which before was preached unto you: <sup>21</sup> Whom the heaven must receive until **the times of restitution of all things**, which God hath spoken by the mouth of all his holy prophets since the world began.

For Israel, that will be a time when some things on the earth get restored. For us, the 1000-year Millennium will be the time for us to restore some things in the heavenly places. This will include that dismantling of some things that the adversary has built up there along with the removal of some things that the Lord God put into place back when He saw what the Adversary was doing.

We’ll expand on this timeline in just a bit, but first, let’s go back and examine some things regarding the creature. The 2<sup>nd</sup> heaven is given to you in 2 different ways; as the body of a creature and as a structure. As you presented with information in the book of Romans, you are first of instructed to observe the heavens as a creature and more specifically, as the body of a

creature; a living organism. That isn't the way most of us were taught to look at the heavens, so we don't normally or naturally look at it that way. Add to that the fact of the creature's "paralysis" and the fact that you can't look up into the heavens and observe anything resembling a living creature and it's no wonder that we don't naturally see the creature for what it is.

In addition to seeing the heavens as a creature, secondly, we are taught to look at it as a physical structure with windows, doors, pillars, etc. And if you are wondering which it is, a creature or a structure, the truth is, it is both of those. You could look at the example of the church. The body of people is the church and we also talk about the physical building as the church.

Those decision-making skills give you the ability and the capacity to be involved in both aspects of what we will be doing as we are "judging angels" and "judging the world."

So what you are talking about us doing in the dispensation of the fullness of times is getting the earth to respond to the heaven and the heaven to the earth, reconnecting them so they operate as a single entity with a body, soul and spirit. Or to say it like Paul says it in Ephesians, we will "gather together in one all things in Christ, both which are in heaven, and which are on earth." And that will take a process of time.

When I say that God will utilize us to do that unifying work, I do not mean that we are the ones who will actually be doing the work, but that we are going to be giving that work to angels to accomplish. We will oversee the work, we will direct the work and we will make the judgment calls on the work, but when it comes to doing the actual work, that will be done by angels under our supervision. My understanding is that when Paul says we will "judge angels," this is what is being referred to.

And when this "gathering together into one" accomplished, that will mark the end of the dispensation of the fullness of times. It is that "fulness," when all things are made "one," from which the dispensation gets its name.

When you start looking at those decision-making skills that we're given in our sonship life, and you start perceiving closely what they're doing, then you'll notice that they fall into 2 descriptive categories, if I can say it that way.

That's why the heavenly places are both:

- 1) An architectural structure;
- 2) A creature—a living organism

The 1st skill sets we receive are primarily designed for the 'living organism' aspect of it, which is why, when we're first taught about the heavenly places where our Father's business is now, we're taught about it being a living organism, it's a creature.

It isn't very long after you discover the "creature" aspect of the heaven, until you learn that the body of Christ is going to make up an "intelligentsia" for that creature. We will bring divine life to the creature by being that intelligized body that inhabits it, but more than that, we will form an organized administration that will have its residence in the creature. And this is "architectural structure" part of it.

Since this is going to come out of the first parts of Ephesians, Philippians and Colossians, take a look at Ephesians 2. Now, all I'm after here is the terminology, so just pay attention to that for now.

Ephesians 2:19 Now therefore ye are no more strangers and foreigners, but fellowcitizens with the saints, and of the household of God; 20 And **are built** upon the **foundation** of the apostles and prophets, Jesus Christ himself being the **chief corner stone**; 21 In whom **all the building** fitly **framed** together groweth unto an holy **temple** in the Lord: 22 In whom ye also are **builded** together for an **habitation** of God through the Spirit.

Do you see all that building terminology. This is not without purpose. By this time, you already have an understanding of the heavens as a creature, but now, you begin to see it given to you in another way; such as building. And not just any building, but a governmental building wherein resides the people who comprise that government.

Think of it like Congress. Congress is a body of people who make decisions for the nation. Congress is also the building (or structure) in which that body of people carry out their business.

In the creature, this organized administration consists of principalities, powers, thrones, mights, dominions, etc. This kind of governmental breakdown breaks up the heavenly places into a territorial structure. It really is a government. But it is much more than that, so don't get to thinking that all there is to this is you filling a position in God's government. God does have a government and it is different from any government that has been on this earth, but there is more to it than that.

This government is accomplishing more than just bureaucracy. It is operating on more than human wisdom.

What I'm after here is to point out the fact that as you go along in your education as a son—you're learning that the place where you're going to be going about conducting your Father's business—that realm has these 2 functionalities to it—it's a creature, and it's a territory with administration to it that's housed within a building-type structure to it.

The kind of skills we receive through our sonship education is designed to deal with both aspects of that heavenly realm, because we're going to be involved with both aspects of that realm:

- We're going to be giving it its functional life as that creature
- We're also going to be involved in administering its government
- We are also going to be dealing with its architectural structure (because there's going to be some dismantling we're to oversee and get accomplished by means of utilizing the angels to do the work).

It's really not until you get out here in Level II of our sonship education that we begin dealing with the details of the creature or the heavenly places as the physical, architectural structure that is going to need to have all these adjustments made (the demolition that we've talked about) to it. You get issue of the building concept at the end of Ephesians chapter 2.

So when you talk about our understanding of the creation as it pertains to the heavenly places, we are to see that it is both a creature, and an architectural structure at the same time. Our heavenly Father teaches about the most important aspect first (the body concept) - and the one that would require our skills and our understanding & appreciation of first, because that one is going to naturally lead into us being able to wisely deal with the other one.

So then, as we view “outer space” today, in view of what God did at the judgment of the flood of Noah’s day, coupled with the issue of God subjecting the creature to vanity (which happened way back when sin entered that realm and it became the usurped possession of the Adversary), there is no physical evidence that the creature even exists. That can’t be observed at all, and no one would ever know that the heavenly places (outer space) are this creature unless God tells you about it in His word.

When God made the creature subject to vanity, that means that anything by which it could give evidence of that creature being functionally alive, is now being restrained from being given.

But you do see (when you look up there), and you do find God talking about the heavenly places as a physical structure (an architectural building) in a lot of places—(for instance in the book of Job) that gives you great insight as to the kind of structure that’s out there. To see this, we turn to Job 38 where God is going to ask Job a series of questions.

Unlike what most commentators write, God is not trying to dumbfound Job or to illustrate God’s superiority over Job. What God is doing is attempting to get Job’s thinking turned around by giving Job some “leading questions.” God isn’t trying overwhelm Job with a bunch of stuff that is so far over Job’s head that Job get convinced he is some kind of idiot. Job does know about the things God questions him on. And God needs to change Job’s thinking because his 3 friends have come along to counsel him and instead of really helping Job, they gave Job “darkened counsel.”

Job 38:1 Then the LORD answered Job out of the whirlwind, and said, <sup>2</sup> Who *is* this that darkeneth counsel by words without knowledge?

This is what the POE seeks to do. It will “counsel” you with words that appear to be words of wisdom. But they will be “darkening counsel.” Now, notice as God focuses on the earth.

Job 38:4 Where wast thou when I laid **the foundations of the earth**? declare, if thou hast understanding. <sup>5</sup> Who hath laid the **measures thereof**, if thou knowest? or who hath **stretched the line upon it**? <sup>6</sup> Whereupon are **the foundations** thereof fastened? or who laid **the corner stone** thereof;

These are not “words of accommodation” or anthropopathisms. The earth has an actual corner stone and Job knew where it was. Job knows the earth actually does have foundations and God did actually stretch a line upon the earth. Job knows he wasn’t around when God laid them, but he at least knows they exist. By the way, are you taking notice of the “building” terminology being used here?

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The angels saw this happening; when God laid the cornerstone of the earth. And when you get up there in the heavenly places, they expect you to know about all of this.

Job 38:8 Or who shut up the sea with doors, when it brake forth, as if it had issued out of the womb? <sup>29</sup> Out of whose womb came the ice? and the hoary frost of heaven, who hath gendered it? <sup>30</sup> The waters are hid as with a stone, and the face of the deep is frozen. <sup>31</sup> Canst thou bind the sweet influences of Pleiades, or loose the bands of Orion? <sup>32</sup> Canst thou bring forth Mazzaroth in his season? or canst thou guide Arcturus with his sons? <sup>33</sup> Knowest thou the ordinances of heaven? canst thou set the dominion thereof in the earth? <sup>34</sup> Canst thou lift up thy voice to the clouds, that abundance of waters may cover thee?

You can see those constellations mentioned in the passage and the truth is, that is going to be the place of your vocation. And it is in your Level 2 education that you are going to receive the subtilty that allows you to see the finer points of your Father's business and your part in it when you are in those heavenly places. You are going to function up there in that creature.

Job 38:16 Hast thou entered into the springs of the sea? or hast thou walked in the search of the depth? <sup>17</sup> Have the gates of death been opened unto thee? or hast thou seen the doors of the shadow of death? <sup>18</sup> Hast thou perceived the breadth of the earth? declare if thou knowest it all. <sup>19</sup> Where *is* the way *where* light dwelleth? and *as for* darkness, where *is* the place thereof, <sup>20</sup> That thou shouldest take it to the bound thereof, and that thou shouldest know the paths *to* the house thereof?

We're going to come back to this passage shortly, but notice, for now, that there is a place where darkness dwells. There is a path that leads to a house where darkness dwells. And your proper thinking about things up in the heavenly places depends upon you thinking about this the same way your heavenly Father does.

Job 38:21 Knowest thou it, because thou wast then born? or because the number of thy days is great?

How did Job know? Was it because he was around when it was done or because he has lived so long? Or was it because he was taught about it by the One who did it?

Job 38:22 Hast thou entered into the treasures of the snow? or hast thou seen the treasures of the hail, <sup>23</sup> Which I have reserved against the time of trouble, against the day of battle and war?

Job had never entered into the treasure houses of the heavens, but he knew they were there, he knew what was in them and he knew what they were for. By the way, part of that hail was poured out on a place on the earth in the past. Now, as you progress through the chapter, you will see God turn Job's attention from the earth and direct it toward the heavenly places.

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Take a look at that last phrase, “canst thou set the dominion thereof in the earth?” That is alluding to the way in which the heaven and the earth will one day respond to each other. In other words, vs. 33 is asking Job if he knows about the “ordinances of heaven” and then “can you, Job, set the dominion of those ordinances in the earth?”

Looking at the passage as a whole, you’ve got God talking to Job about certain, specific constellations that are very significant in connection with the physical structure of the realm of heaven. God brings these out because of how they specifically affect the physical structure of the heavenly places and even how some have an impact upon the earth itself.

You have heard me say that God did not stretch out the heavens before the tower of Babel incident. In the beginning, at the creation of the stars, there was no “crooked serpent” because Lucifer had not yet sinned. Remember, “all the sons of God shouted for joy” at the creation of the heaven and the earth. But in Job, you see that constellation being referred to.

Job 26:7 He stretcheth out the north over the empty place, and hangeth the earth upon nothing.<sup>8</sup> He bindeth up the waters in his thick clouds; and the cloud is not rent under them.<sup>9</sup> He holdeth back the face of his throne, *and* spreadeth his cloud upon it.<sup>10</sup> He hath compassed the waters with bounds, until the day and night come to an end.<sup>11</sup> The pillars of heaven tremble and are astonished at his reproof.<sup>12</sup> He divideth the sea with his power, and by his understanding he smiteth through the proud.<sup>13</sup> By his spirit he hath **garnished the heavens**; his hand hath **formed the crooked serpent**.<sup>14</sup> Lo, these *are* parts of his ways: but how little a portion is heard of him? but the thunder of his power who can understand?

Notice that God “formed” the crooked serpent. That is, when He stretched out the heavens, by His own hand, He arranged that pattern in the heavens to be viewed from the earth.

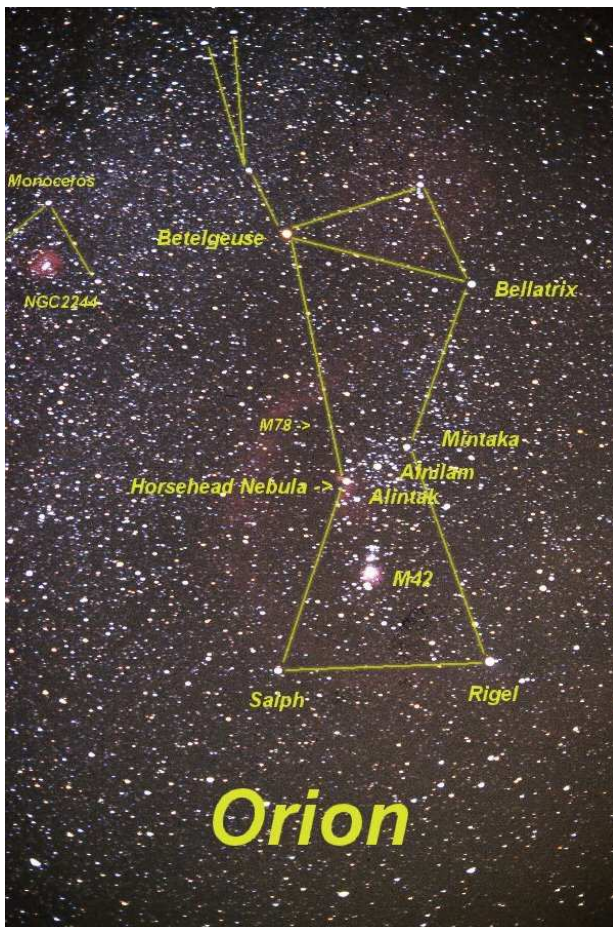
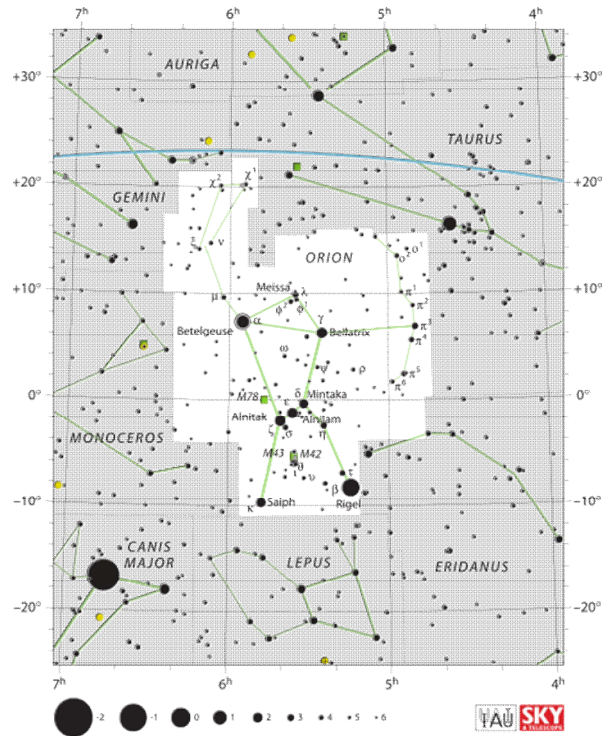
When God talks about these things, He isn’t just mentioning various things in the heavens. Neither is He referring to them as “signs for seasons,” though that is a legitimate role for them. They are being talked about as what it is that makes up that heavenly realm, and as they make up part of the “ordinances of heaven.”

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Before we get into this, let’s talk about these 2 constellations.



## (87-88) Sonship Orientation



One of the finest sights in the entire sky, **M42** is easily visible to the naked eye as the “fuzzy” star in the middle of Orion’s sword. It appears distinctly nebulous in binoculars or finder scopes, and shows an amazing amount of detail through the telescope.





**IC 434 - The Horsehead Nebula**



The Pleiades also known as M45 or the Seven Sisters, is the name of an open cluster in the constellation of Taurus.

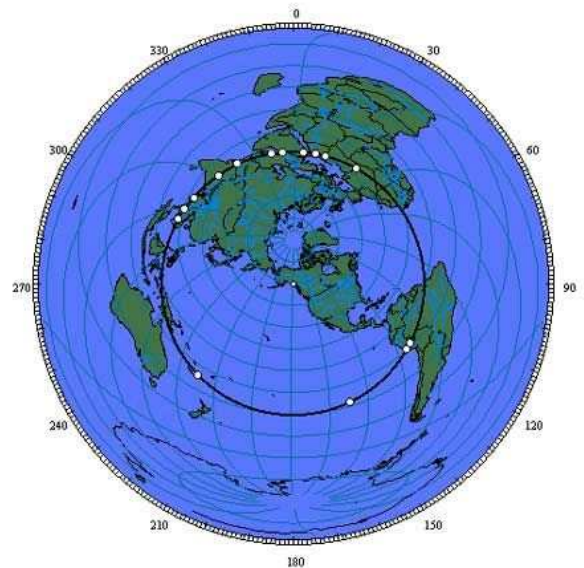
The U.S. Naval Observatory's Isabel Lewis identified that the seven stars of the Pleiades are in reality a grouping of 250 suns, like a flock of birds, all traveling together in one common direction. This is entirely unlike other constellations whose stars are moving in different directions and are far apart, only appearing to be together in a single group.



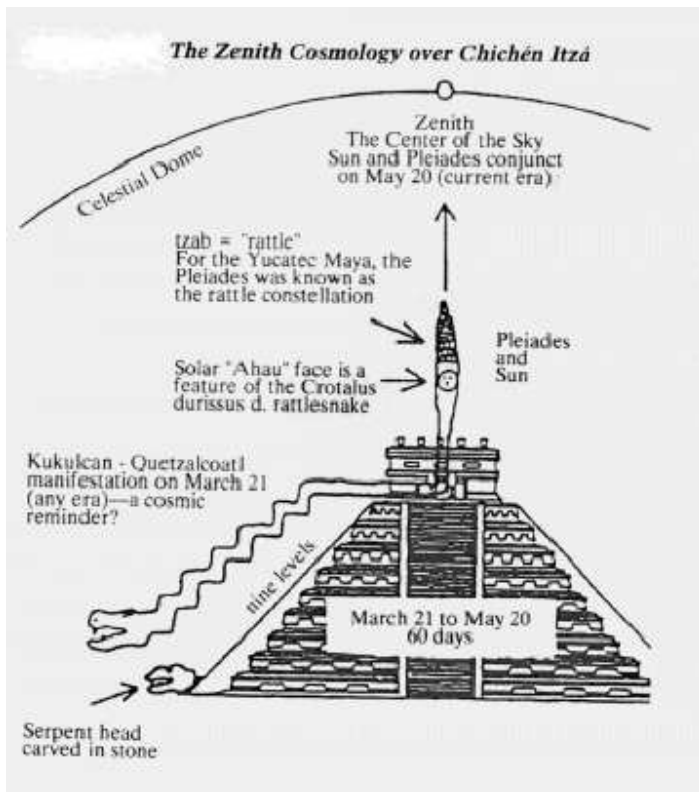


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We could waste a lot of time on this, so let me just pass over this quickly. There are many who see the 3 pyramids in Egypt lining up with the 3 stars in the belt of Orion. It is also interesting to note that all the pyramids are lined up on the same latitudinal line on a map of the earth.



Alcyone comes into direct alignment over the Chichen Itza, Pyramid -Temple of Kukulcan (Quetzalcoatl) in central Mexico. This is the Mayan Indian Pyramid that was built over 1000 years ago facing westward in direct alignment with the Pleiades central Sun, Alcyone.



During the time of this unusual Annular Solar Eclipse, as the Moon passes in front of the Sun, there will be a shadow image of a snake slithering down the 9 levels of the north side of the Mayan Pyramid/Temple in Mexico.

This shadow-serpent image of a snake slithering down the 9 levels of the north side of the Mayan Pyramid/Temple in Mexico. This shadow-serpent phenomenon is usually seen during the equinoxes, however, this particular event happens roughly every 26,000 years in May. Keep in mind, it is the Mayan Calendar that alerted the world to the year 2012 as the end of a 26,000 year cycle.

The prophecy says that Quetzalcoatl the feathered serpent would return. The sign would be the unusual astronomical events creating a shadow serpent slithering down the north side of the Temple/Pyramid during an alignment with the Pleiades.

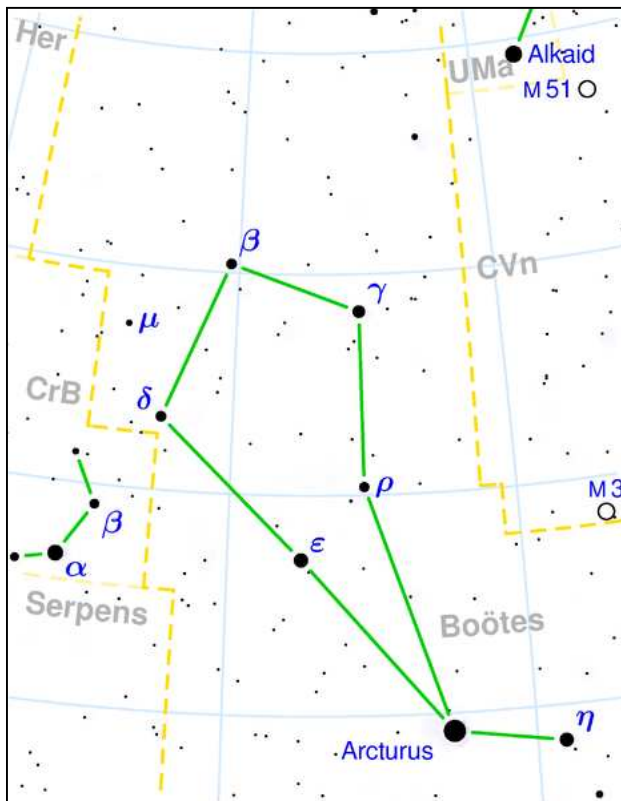
While this can be interesting, you can see how this can get off-track in a hurry and become a complete waste of time. So, to get ourselves back on track, let's go back and look at the verses under consideration.

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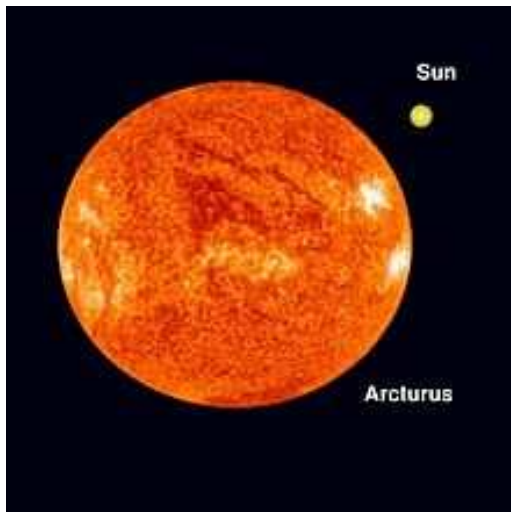
In the context of the passage, there are influences that the Pleiades have with regard to the dominion in the earth. You can't see them with your physical eyes, but they are there. And when the day of wrath comes and earth "reels to and fro like a drunkard" in which something will happen to Pleiades so that they no longer have their influences.

When you see Arcturus, which is the brightest star in the constellation Bootes, you will notice that Arcturus is the brightest star of all, located next to...guess what constellation? The Serpent! So the question to Job is, "can you guide Arctures and his sons?" I would love to talk about that guiding, but for now, let me just give you a couple of other interesting facts about Arcturus.

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Arcturus is visible from both hemispheres in the sky, as it is located less than 20 degrees north of the celestial equator. The star culminates at midnight on about the 30th April, being visible during the northern spring or the southern autumn. From the northern hemisphere, an easy way to find Arcturus is to follow the arc of the handle of the Big Dipper. By continuing in this path, one can find Spica, "Arc to Arcturus, then spike to Spica."



Arcturus, one of the greatest suns in the universe, is a runaway whose speed of flight is 257 miles per second. Arcturus, we have every reason to believe, possesses thousands of times the mass of our sun. Think of it! Our sun is traveling only 12 ½ miles a second, but Arcturus is traveling 257 miles a second. Think then of the prodigious momentum this motion implies.

Now, getting back to the passage, there are particular connective bands between Orion and the earth just as there are connective "bands" between certain parts of your body and your soul and spirit. Again, you can't see the "bands of Orion" with your physical eyes, but they are there just the same.

The “ordinances” of Job 38:33 need a comment. Ordinance, at its root is “order,” so an ordinance is an arrangement of parts. That fits a structure or building perfectly. In other words, the “ordinances of heaven” refer to the “structure of heaven.”

Ordinances are things which have been arranged and ordered, with a particular purpose in mind. Ordinances are a material apparatus, set in order for a particular plan of action to be carried out. Therefore, the ordinances of heaven provide for the orderliness and maintenance of the structure of the heaven. God set this up for more than just to be something pleasing to look at, but it has functionality to it.

Job 38 isn’t the only chapter to discuss these things. We aren’t going to spend much time over there, but you can go over to Job 26 and see the details for yourself.

Job 26:13 By his spirit he hath garnished the heavens; his hand hath formed the crooked serpent.

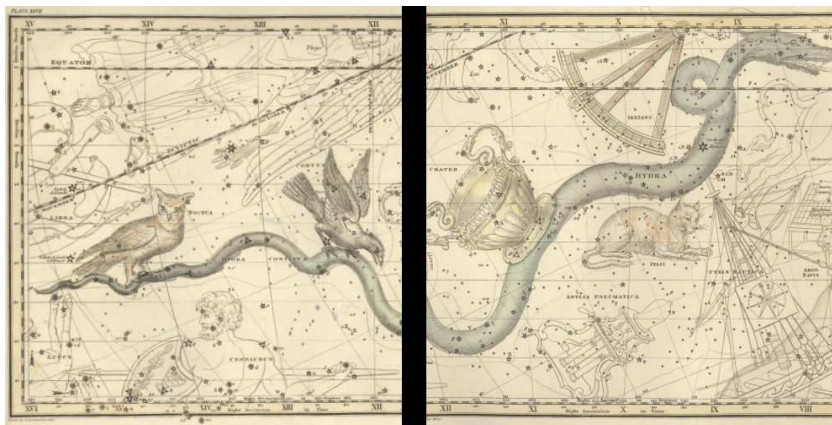
That “serpent” is referring to the constellation of the serpent. If you recall, as we were discussing subtilty and what it does for a son, I told you that it not only equips the son to see the finer points of the Father’s business and the son’s part in it, but it also allows the son the discern the finer points of the satanic policy of evil.

And since we are in the book of Job, this a good opportunity to take a look at the other side of the coin, as it pertains to the adversary and his plan of evil.

As Satan trafficked his iniquity in the sanctuaries of the heavenly places, he also built “strongholds” up there; fortresses which are strategically placed. When I say “strategically placed,” I mean that he built these fortresses in places that are “key” to the structure of the heavens; that hold the entire structure together. This is part of what God is talking about in Job 38.

Job 38:19 Where is the way where light dwelleth? and as for darkness, where is the place thereof, 20 That thou shouldest take it to the bound thereof, and that thou shouldest know the paths to the house thereof?

God is asking Job if he knows the “paths” that lead to the realm of darkness where Satan has erected his fortresses. If anyone is ever going to deal with Satan and his plan of evil, you have to know the way to his fortresses and you have to be able to get up there.



Hydra is the largest and longest constellation in the sky. It stretches fully one quarter of the way around the horizon, and takes up two full pages of Alexander Jamieson's 1822 *Celestial Atlas*.

Here is an interesting thought, what if the serpent was outlined in the heavens to locate the exact places he erected his strongholds? And what if those strongholds were the lynchpins for the heavenly places? Don't you know that Satan wants to control and protect the most important areas of the heavenly places? And God deals with those places as strongholds of the adversary. They are places of spiritual darkness. So when you go out at night and look up in the sky to locate "the serpent," then you may well be looking at the very areas that are going to be thrown down and dismantled by the body of Christ.

And just so you know, when God asks Job all those questions in Job 38, God isn't asking Job these questions rhetorically, for Job understood about the things God was referring to and he knew what the Adversary had done out in those heavenly places. Job had intelligence when it came to how those ordinances of heaven were set up and the importance of them. That is to say, Job knew how the entire heavens are held together.

So when God asks Job, "can you loose the bands of Orion," those "bands are part of what is holding the entire thing together. Just as there are key areas that if you destroy them, you could bring an entire structure down, so there is in the heavenly places.

This is also the same kind of thing the "sweet influences of Pleiades" is referring to. We will have plenty of opportunity to talk more about these things later on, and some additional details will be given to us, but for now, all I'm trying to do is fly you over the Level 2 territory and give you an idea of what is in store for you. More specifically, we have been looking at what "subtilty" does for a son as he engages in Level 2 of the education.

But subtlety will do more than that. It will also give you a discernment concerning spiritual issues, so that you will no longer be duped by various statements, doctrines or experiences that are meant to deceive you. And you will need that because there will be those who will come in to this assembly for the purpose of spreading doctrine that is not according to godliness.

Now, if some of this is unclear to you and you feel like you don't understand it all, then that is okay, because we haven't been through the doctrine on it yet. All I'm doing is just giving you a "rundown" of sorts of what is waiting for you in Level 2, Phase 1 of your education.