

different sources woven together. Anybody could fit things together and have the use of divine names reveal the fact that he is taking from this source and that.

Anybody could combine two stories together so that when you separated them you would find that you could read two separate stories. But if a person combines them together so that the same thing is told twice (without saying that it is the same thing), and it sounds like two different stories when it is really just one, then there must be some stupidity on the part of the man who combined it. That does not look very good for him. That would look like evidence against the Mosaic authorship because Moses was a very bright man and you would not expect him to do such a thing.

d. *The Argument from Style.* You find the first chapter of Genesis saying, "God created man, male and female, created he them." And in the second chapter or the third chapter it speaks of the man and his wife. Does one writer say, "male and female" and the other say, "the man and his wife?" One says "bring animals into the ark, male and female." The other says, "the animals came into the ark, and the man and his wife." Now, if you have two different usages that way, and one of your documents consistently used one and the other consistently used the other when there is no difference in sense to explain why one used one and the other used the other, that is a strong argument. But as you see, it is one which has to be handled with care in order to deal with it properly. The first argument might have been included under the fourth, because a difference of divine name could be called a difference of style. But we have given it a separate place because the whole argument began with the stylistic difference in regard to the divine names, and in later years it was claimed that other alleged stylistic differences supported the critical viewpoint. Some even made the unhistorical claim that the difference in divine names was a minor point in the style and not the principal basis for the theory. Actually the difference between whether you call God, "God" or "Jehovah" is a difference in style. The only different thing that this is the particular point of style that started it, but actually it is one of the alleged differences of style. A Methodist minister said, not so long ago, "the