

Bible where it is all clear that this meaning is held by the word. However, the word, Yom is used many times in the Bible in the general sense. It is also often used in our modern English before a ~~an~~ period of time.

When Jesus said, Abraham rejoiced to see my day, He certainly was not speaking of ~~the~~ the 24 hour day. When Genesis 2:4 says, These are the generations of the heaven and earth when they were created in the day that the Lord made the heaven and the earth, Here he is summarizing the whole six days of Genesis 1 as one day. In these and in many other instances, this word day simply means a period of time without specifying any definite way what its length is to be. A careful examination of Genesis 1 makes it quite clear that this is what is meant.

God certainly could have created the world in six ~~days~~ minutes or in six seconds, ~~if He chose~~ if He chose. The statement we must examine in ~~Genesis~~ Genesis one is not what God could have done, but what He did do. It is quite plain when we look at verse 2 that we already have the earth's existence, but not the existence, but not in existence in its present condition. The condition is quite different. There was darkness all around it. It is not organized, as ~~it is now~~ remaining it is now. There is no life upon it. God proceeds in the next ~~few~~ verses of this chapter to make certain changes in the constitution, situation of the earth, and to cause life to come into existence upon the earth. All of this and the omnipotent God ~~has~~ could have done in six seconds or in one second or in one hour or in one day. There is no need of his having to take six days for it. On the other hand, he could have spread the ~~process~~ process over whatever period He might use. As Bible students, if we are to learn ~~God's~~ God's ^{what} revealed, it is our duty to examine carefully what He says, and see what it suggests. When we do so,