

The
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of
ONE



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UNIT #3
G-D vs. MAN



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EPISODE 3: G-D vs. MAN

What is the meaning of dependent/conditional existence?

... He, who in his goodness, renews every
day, continuously, the work of creation ...
Daily prayers

המחדש בטובו בכל יום תמיד

סידור

Forever, O L-rd, Your words stand in the
heavens.
Psalms 119:89

לעולם ה' דברך נצב בשמים
תהלים קיט:פט

The world was created with ten utterances.
Ethics of Our Fathers 5:1

בעשרה מאמרות נברא העולם
פרקי אבות - א:ה

There are three levels of expression, referred to as the three levushim – garments:

Thought – Is the form of expression to oneself

Speech – Is the form of expression to others people

Action – Is the form of expression to the rest of the world

Form – חומר

The matter of any object is its tangible.

Matter – צורה

The form of an object is how the matter is
shaped to serve its particular purpose.

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G-D

Creates from nothingness the matter, which occupies space and possesses mass.

People

Gives form to pre-existing matter, to change its purpose or use.

G-d creates something from nothing; G-d brings matters into existence. Conversely, a person merely reshapes the mass, without making any inherent change or addition to the mass of the matter itself. The difference: G-d creates ex nihilo, something from nothing. A person can only reinvent what already exists.

And Moses stretched out his hand over the sea, and the L-rd led the sea with the strong east wind all night, and He made the sea into dry land and the waters split.

Exodus - 14:21

וַיֹּט מֹשֶׁה אֶת־יָדוֹ עַל־הַיָּם וַיִּנָּחֵם יְהוָה |
אֶת־הַיָּם בְּרוּחַ קָדִים עֲזָה כָּל־הַלַּיְלָה
וַיַּשֶּׁם אֶת־הַיָּם לַחֲרֹבָה וַיַּבְקְעוּ הַמַּיִם:

שמות - יד:כא

Water, by nature, does not hold solid form. At the splitting of the sea, G-d invested His creative energy to change the essential nature of water. G-d did not transform water into a solid matter; He recreated the nature of the water, so that it would hold the stationary position of a wall--while maintaining its makeup, a liquid without a stationary form.

The energy of the creator [is] constantly in the creation.

כח הפועל בנפעל תמיד

When something is created completely from nothing, ex nihilo, it must always be maintained by its original creative energy. Such a creation is possible only for G-d, the true and necessary existence.