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- "The Lord possessed me in the beginning of his way, before his works of old,—v. 22,
- "I was set up from everlasting, from the beginning, or even the earth was.—v. 23. (Say before the Combustion of the Gasses, as shown in this work.)
- "When there were no depths, I was brought forth; when there were no fountains abounding with water.—v. 24. (At the Combustion of the Gasses, as shown in this work.)
- "When he prepared the heavens, I was there; when he set a compass upon the face of the depth;"—v. 27. (Say after the Combustion of the Gasses, as shown in this work.)

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