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Contradictions in the quran

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Among the contradictions in the guran:

1) The day of Resurrection:

In <u>the Prostration chapter (Surat As-Sajdah) 5</u>:" then it will go up to Him, in one Day, the space whereof is a thousand years of your reckoning"

While in the Ways of Ascent chapter (Surat Al-Ma'arij) 4:" in a Day the measure whereof is fifty thousand years"

Al-Quortoby said in his exegesis:" in one Day, the space whereof is a thousand years" is the day of resurrection, and what mentioned in the Ways of Ascent chapter (Surat Al-Ma'arij):" in a Day the measure whereof is fifty thousand years" is a contradiction with what was mentioned in the Prostration chapter (Surat As-Sajdah) that said "a thousand years"

Abdullah Ibn Fayrouz asked Ibn Abbas about that verse, he replied: those are days mentioned by Al-Mighty God, I don't know what are those days? So I hate to say something that I don't know about

Then he asked Saeed Ibn Al-Mothiab about it, he replied, Ibn Abbas who is an eminent scholar refused to say anything about it, then what can I say about it? I have no knowledge of it

So even the great eminent scholars were confused about it, then how can we understand? How could the Muslim understand his quran?, and why did God send for us his verses, if they are vague and obscured

2) The days of creation:

It was mentioned in seven verses of the quran that the days of creation were six days Those verses are in the Prostration chapter (Surat As-Sajdah), Jonah chapter (Surat Yunus), Hud chapter (Surat Hud), The Criterion chapter (Surat Al-Furqan), The Heights chapter (Surat Al-A'raf), Qaf chapter (Surat Qaf) and the iron chapter (Surat Al-Hadid)

While in <u>distinguished chapter (Surat Fussilat) 9-12</u>:" "Do you verily disbelieve in Him, Who created the earth in two Days .., and measured therein its sustenance in four Days Then He *Istawâ* (rose over) towards the heaven when it was smoke, and said to it and to the earth: "Come both of you willingly or unwillingly." They both said: "We come, willingly." Then He completed and finished from their creation as seven heavens in two Days",

So the total number of days of creation in that verse is eight days: 2 + 4 + 2 = 8 days

While in the other seven verses they were six days only, so were they six or eight?

Imam Al-Nasfy said in his exegesis, part 4, and page 130: "God created the earth in two days, measured therein its sustenance in four Days Then He completed and finished from their creation as seven heavens in two Days" so that will be contradicting with his saying six days "in The Heights chapter (Surat Al-A'raf)

Now there were multiple qurans with different versions, contradictions among its text and also contradictions in its facts

So On what basis would the Muslim build his faith? Would he build his faith and his eternal life on uncertainty?