

GOD CREATES THE UNIVERSE

GENESIS 1:1, 1:3, 1:5-6, 1:9-11, 1:16, 1:20,
1:24, 1:27; EXODUS 20:11

LEARN THE WORD

Psalm 8:3-4

When I look at your heavens, the work of your fingers, the moon and the stars, which you have set in place, what is man that you are mindful of him, and the son of man that you care for him?

- God created everything in the universe in six days.
- Creation shows that God is the great, omnipotent Creator.

WHAT YOU HEARD IN THE WORD


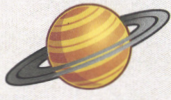










OUTWORD FOR FAMILY DISCUSSION

What if your friend asked you, "Why would God need to rest on the seventh day? I thought God could do anything—it doesn't make sense that He needed a rest already!"

What could you say?

You are right! God didn't need to rest—but we do need a day of rest—and God knew that! He was introducing our seven-day week. He worked six days, and He rested on the seventh day so we would learn to do the same.

Activity: Two things are pictured on each line below. Circle the one that was created first!

1.  or 	4.  or 
2.  or 	5.  or 
3.  or 	6.  or 

Answers: 1) Tree, 2) Bird, 3) Fish, 4) Flower, 5) Water, 6) Stars

HOMESCHOOL

FOR PARENTS

"In the beginning, God created the heavens and the earth." This first verse in the Bible answers many questions for us, such as "Where did everything come from?" "Is there a God?" "When did time begin?" These are questions Christians often have trouble answering—not because they lack faith, but because they don't realize that answers to questions like these can be found in Scripture when it is examined closely.

There are many opposing views of the Genesis account of creation that manipulate God's Word to include millions of years (the old-earth view). Many will try to persuade us that the creation account must be "proven" before being believed. Realistically, however, no account of origins can be proven—it must be accepted by faith. Christians must stand firm on biblical authority—God told us in His Word what happened and how He created: "By faith we understand that the universe was created by the word of God, so that what is seen was not made out of things that are visible" (Hebrews 11:3).

Does the order of creation matter? God specifically and systematically presents the order of His creation over a six-day period—so, yes, it does matter. The creation and evolution positions are in direct opposition to each other. Creationists believe God's Word as recorded. Evolutionists believe in millions of years of slow change, from non-life to simple cells, to more complex plants and animals, and eventually to the organisms that exist today, including man. This belief must reject God's Word in order to work. Because it does not harmonize with God's account of creation, we can confidently say it is not true. Believing the historical account of Genesis 1-11 is foundational to believing the rest of the Bible.