

THE CREATION ACCOUNT: WHERE IS IT?

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Listed on this page are Scriptural and Faith Doctrine references for the Creation accounts appearing in the Book of Genesis. The first account is [Genesis 1:1- Genesis 2:3](#); the second account runs from [Genesis 2:4- Genesis 2:25](#). The [New American Bible](#) links below align with the first creation account and are followed by [Catechism of the Catholic Church](#) references. Clicking on any of the links provided herein will re-direct you to the respective NAB link / CCC link.

With reference to Scripture text, a day was considered to begin at sunset in ancient Israel. In the literary structure of six days, the creation events in the first three days are related to those in the second three:

Day 1	light (day)/darkness (night)	=	Day 4	Sun (day)/Moon (night)
Day 2	arrangement of water	=	Day 5	fish + birds from waters
Day 3	a) dry land b) vegetation	=	Day 6	a) animals b) human beings

DAY 1

[Genesis 1:1-5](#)- A dividing of light from darkness brings forth Heaven and a formless, water-covered Earth, then Light.

References for [1:1- Genesis 2:1, 4](#); [2 Maccabees 7:28](#); [Psalms 8:4](#); [Psalms 33:6](#); [Psalms 89:12](#); [Psalms 90:2](#); [Wisdom 11:17](#); [Sirach 16:24](#); [Jeremiah 10:12](#); [Acts 14:15](#); [Colossians 1:16](#); [Hebrews 1:2-3](#); [Hebrews 3:4](#); [Hebrews 11:3](#); [Revelation 4:11](#).

References for [1:2- Jeremiah 4:23](#).

References for [1:3- 2 Corinthians 4:6](#).

DAY 2

[Genesis 1:6-8](#) - A dividing of the waters above from the waters below to create the Firmament of Heaven.

References for [1:7- Proverbs 8:27](#); [2 Peter 3:5](#).

DAY 3

[Genesis 1:9-13](#)- A dividing of the waters under the heavens to form dry land; then grass, herbs, and fruit trees.

References for [1:9- Job 38:8](#); [Psalms 33:7](#); [Jeremiah 5:22](#).

References for [1:11- Psalms 104:14](#).

DAY 4

[Genesis 1:14-19](#)- Creation of the Sun, Moon and Stars.

References for [1:14- Job 26:10](#); [Psalms 19:2-3](#); [Baruch 3:33](#).

References for [1:16- Deuteronomy 4:19](#); [Psalms 136:7-9](#); [Wisdom 13:2-4](#); [Jeremiah 31:35](#).

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[Genesis 1:20-23](#)- Creation of the creatures of the waters and of the air.

References for [1:20](#)- [Job 12:7-10](#).

References for [1:22](#)- [Genesis 8:17](#).

DAY 6

[Genesis 1:24-31](#)- Creation of the creatures of the land, then of human beings.

References for [1:24](#)- [Sirach 16:27-28](#).

References for [1:26 & 1:27](#)- [Genesis 5:1, 3](#); [Genesis 9:6](#); [Psalms 8:5-6](#); [Wisdom 2:23](#); [Wisdom 10:2](#); [Sirach 17:1, 3-4](#); [Matthew 19:4](#); [Mark 10:6](#); [James 3:7](#); [Ephesians 4:24](#); [Colossians 3:10](#).

References for [1:28](#)- [Genesis 8:17](#); [Genesis 9:1](#); [Psalms 8:6-9](#); [Psalms 115:16](#); [Wisdom 9:2](#).

References for [1:29 & 1:30](#)- [Genesis 9:3](#); [Psalms 104:14-15](#).

References for [1:31](#)- [1 Timothy 4:4](#).

DAY 7

[Genesis 2:1-3](#)- God rests.

References for [2:2](#)- [Exodus 31:13, 16, 17](#); [Exodus 25-31, 35-40](#).

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