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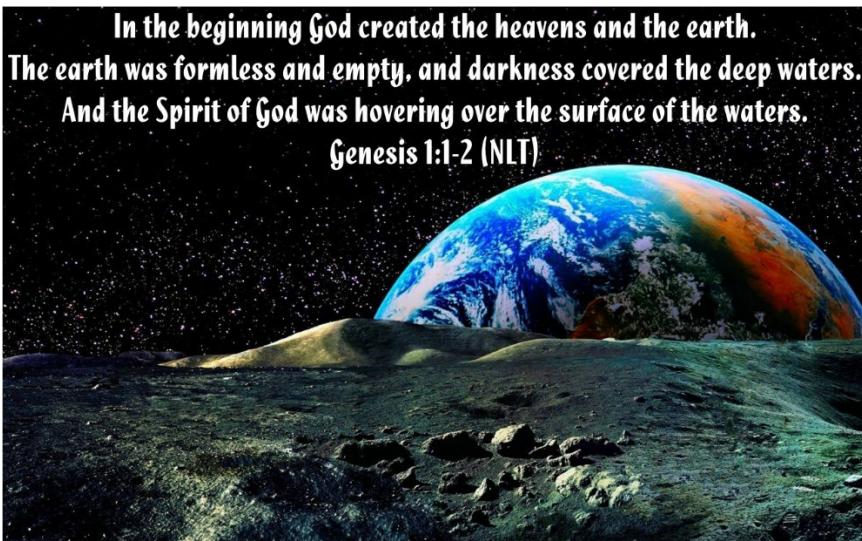
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"Of Issachar, men who had understanding of the times, to know what Israel ought to do, 200 chiefs, and all their kinsmen under their command" (2 Chronicles 12:32 ESV).

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Creation Ex Nihilo Through Jesus Christ

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Check out this excellent essay from Dr. Jeffrey Thompkins, who is Director of Research for the Institute for Creation Research in Dallas, Texas, and who earned his PhD in genetics from Clemson University. **Very Highly Recommended!!!**

The first verse of the Bible provides the foundational truth of our faith and the fundamental truth concerning the universe: "In the beginning God created the heavens

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and the earth" (Genesis 1:1). The phrase "heavens and the earth" means the entire universe.

In the Hebrews 11 list of what we are to understand by faith, the first thing noted is the creation of all things by the word of God: "By faith we understand that the worlds were framed by the word of God, so that the things which are seen were not made of things which are visible" (v. 3). Thus, we are to receive by faith the supreme truth that everything in this present universe was brought into existence literally out of nothing by the good pleasure and will of God.

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One of the great articles of Christian faith, penned by 121 Puritan clergymen in 1649, succinctly states this foundational truth of Genesis 1.

It pleased God the Father, Son, and Holy Ghost, for the manifestation of the glory of his eternal power, wisdom, and goodness, *in the beginning, to create, or make of nothing, the world, and all things therein, whether visible or invisible*, in the space of six days, and all very good.¹

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¹ Westminster Assembly. 1649. *The Westminster Confession of Faith: Edinburgh Edition*. Free Presbyterian Publications, reprinted 1985, 31. Emphasis added.