

# Creation

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The story of creation is all about the origins of the universe and life on Earth. Christians believe that important details about creation are revealed in the New Testament, in the Gospel of John, which go beyond the information provided in Genesis. Write a definition for "creation" and make a note about what Genesis and John reveal about it.

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Story of Creation	
Genesis	John

2. **How** does the story of creation work?

For Christians, the story of creation works by demonstrating that all three persons of God were present and active in the process of bringing the universe into being; God the Father and God the Holy Spirit in Genesis, and God the Son (or the Word of God) in John. Write a definition for "Word of God".

Word of God

Genesis 1:1 reveals God the Father at work during creation; John 1:1-3 introduces the role of God the Son in creation with the words, "In the beginning was the Word"; and God the Holy Spirit may be identifiable in the opening verses of the Bible. Make a note about how the Bible suggests each person of the Trinity was involved in creation.

How the Story of Creation Works		
God the Father	God the Son	God the Holy Spirit

3. **Why** is the story of creation important?

The story of creation is important because it forms a major faultline in Christianity: did God bring the universe into being precisely as described in Genesis 1, or is this passage merely a metaphor for a process that looked radically different? Make a note of three reasons why the story of creation is important.

Why the Story of Creation Is Important	
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