

Genesis Series

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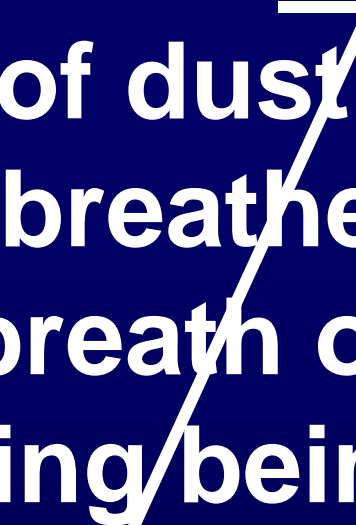
A cosmic background featuring a bright sun or starburst in the center, surrounded by numerous stars and several planets. One planet is visible in the upper right, and another is partially visible in the lower left. The overall color palette is dominated by blues and purples.

GENESIS

Book of Beginnings

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Yhwh Elohim,

**Isa. 43:1 But now, thus says the
LORD, your Creator, O Jacob,**

**And He who formed [*yatzar*]
you, O Israel,**

**“Do not fear, for I have
redeemed you;**

**I have called you by name; you
are Mine!”**

Isa. 29:16

You turn *things* around!

**Shall the potter be considered
as equal with the clay,**

**That what is made would say
to its maker, “He did not make
me”;**

**Or what is formed [*yatzar*] say
to him who formed it, “He has no
understanding”?**

Job 4:19

**How much more those who dwell
in houses of clay,
Whose foundation is in the dust,
Who are crushed before the moth!**

Job 10:9

**‘Remember now, that Thou hast
made me as clay;
And wouldst Thou turn me into
dust again?’**

Isa. 45:9, “Woe to the one who quarrels with his Maker — An earthenware vessel among the vessels of earth! Will the clay say to the potter, ‘What are you doing?’ Or the thing you are making say, He has no hands?”

**2 Cor. 4:7 But we have this
treasure in earthen vessels, that
the surpassing greatness of the
power may be of God and not from
ourselves;**

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spark of life”

Gen. 7:22 of all that was on the dry land, all in whose nostrils was the breath of the spirit of life, died.



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Deut. 20:16 “Only in the cities of these peoples that the LORD your God is giving you as an inheritance, you shall not leave alive anything that breathes.”



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Josh. 10:40 Thus Joshua struck all the land, the hill country and the Negev and the lowland and the slopes and all their kings. He left no survivor, but he utterly destroyed all who breathed, just as the LORD, the God of Israel, commanded.



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***Nishemah* is the basis for life,
God breathes a spark of his own
life into man.**

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whose breath *of life* is in his
nostrils;

For why should he be
esteemed?



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**Isa. 42:5 Thus says God the LORD,
Who created the heavens and
stretched them out,**

**Who spread out the earth and
its offspring,**

**Who gives breath to the people
on it**

**And spirit to those who walk in
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**Eccl. 12:7 then the dust will return
to the earth as it was, and the spirit
[*ruach*] will return to God who
gave it.**

Does God continue the same pattern of creation of life?

Does God still have one process for generating the material part of man and another process for generating the immaterial part of man?

Historical Background:

Traducianism,
from L. “traducere”

Creationism

Tertullian, AD 155–220

Jerome (AD 347–419)

Luther

Thomas Aquinas (AD 1225–

W. G. T. Shedd

John Calvin

L. S. Chafer

Charles Hodge

The Basis of Knowledge

Divine Autonomous Systems Viewpoint Of Perception	SYSTEM	STARTING POINT	METHOD
	RATIONALISM	Innate ideas Faith in human ability.	Independent use of logic & reason
	EMPIRICISM	Sense perceptions External experience; Scientific method; Faith in human ability	Independent use of logic & reason
	MYSTICISM	Inner, private experience; intuition Faith in human ability	Independent, Nonlogical, nonrational, nonverifiable.
	REVELATION	Objective revelation of God	Dependent use of logic and reason

3. What does Scripture say:

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Job 1:21 He said,

**“Naked I came from my
mother’s womb,**

And naked I shall return there.

**The LORD gave and the LORD
has taken away.**

**Blessed be the name of the
LORD.”**

**Job 33:4 “The Spirit of God has
made me,**

**And the breath of the Almighty
gives me life.”**

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to the earth as it was, and the spirit
[*ruach*] will return to God who
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1. Birth (noun) usually used with a preposition. There is no noun for birth in Hebrew. Thus when you have to express the prepositional phrase, you use *mibeten*, “from the womb,” or *bebeten*, “in the womb.” One synonym is *miracham*, used in Psa. 22:10; 58:4

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**Job 3:11 “Why did I not die at
birth,**

**Come forth from the womb and
expire?”**

**Job 10:19 'I should have been as
though I had not been,
Carried from womb to tomb.'**

**Psa. 22:9 Yet You are He who
brought me forth from the womb;
You made me trust *when* upon
my mother's breasts.**

**Psa. 22:10 Upon You I was cast
from birth;**

**You have been my God from
my mother's womb.**

**Psa. 58:3 The wicked are
estranged from the womb;
These who speak lies go
astray from birth.**

**Isa. 44:2 Thus says the LORD who
made you**

**And formed you from the
womb, who will help you,**

**‘Do not fear, O Jacob My
servant;**

**And you Jeshurun whom I
have chosen.’**

**Isa. 44:24 Thus says the LORD,
your Redeemer, and the one who
formed you from the womb,
“I, the LORD, am the maker of
all things,
Stretching out the heavens by
Myself
And spreading out the earth all
alone,”**

Birth (verb) *yalad*

2. Conceive (verb) *harah*

Gen. 4:1 Now the man had relations with his wife Eve, and she conceived and gave birth to Cain, and she said, “I have gotten a manchild with *the help* of the LORD.”



harah

Gen. 4:17 Cain had relations with his wife and she conceived, and gave birth to Enoch; and he built a city, and called the name of the city Enoch, after the name of his son.

**Job 14:1 “Man, who is born of
woman,
Is short-lived and full of
turmoil.”**

**Job 15:14 “What is man, that he
should be pure,**

**Or he who is born of a woman,
that he should be righteous?”**

**Job 38:21 “You know, for you were
born then,**

**And the number of your days
is great!”**