

30 Second Thought



If you asked people, "Where did human beings come from?" what kind of answers do you think you might get? Write three down.

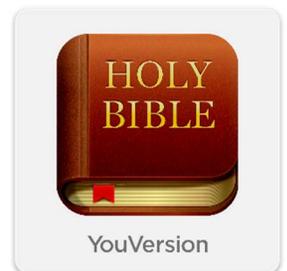
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In the box on the side you'll find some answers people might give. While people like to guess or maybe use their imaginations to come up with answers, we're not left guessing! God knew that this was important for us to know, so he wrote it down in the very first two chapters of the Bible.

Always been here; evolved from animals; no one really knows; someone made them;

Read

Read Genesis 1:26-28 and then Genesis 2:7-25. You can read it to yourself or you can read it with your family. Looking for a Bible? Ask your parents, or use a Bible app like the YouVersion Bible app, or go online to www.biblegateway.com. I'd suggest using the NIV version of the Bible if possible.



Review What You Read

1. How did God show that human beings were different than the other things he had created? Fill in the blanks by using the Bible passages.

- Genesis 1:26 God made mankind "in _____"
 - ***Adam and Eve were perfect and holy just like God! They were able not to do anything wrong!***
- Genesis 1:26 God made mankind to "_____ the fish in the sea and the birds in the sky, over the livestock and all the wild animals, and over all the creatures that move along the ground"

- **Adam and Eve were not the same as animals. They were to rule over the animals.**
- Genesis 2:7 God " _____ a man from the dust of the ground"
 - **God did NOT create Adam by saying, "Let there be a human." God personally formed Adam with his own hands!**
- Genesis 2:7 God " _____ into his nostrils the _____ of _____ "
 - **God personally breathed into Adam and gave him life!**
- Genesis 2:22 God "made a woman from the _____ he had taken out of the man"
 - **God personally formed Eve around Adam's rib! She was just as special as Adam!**

2. Describe the "home" of the Garden of Eden that God had made for Adam and Eve.

3. What does Adam and Eve's home in the Garden of Eden say about the God who made it for them?

4. What job did God give to Adam? Why do you think that God gave Adam this job?

5. Genesis 2:23 might be the very first song in the world! Put into your own words what Adam said when he first saw Eve.

6. Look again at Genesis 2:24. Do these words sound familiar? What special relationship did God give to Adam and Eve?

Answers

2. Had everything that they needed and more! Beautiful place that Adam and Eve could explore. Had plenty of food for them to eat. Gave them lots of different ways for them to use their time and abilities. It was the perfect home for Adam and Eve!

3. Just like you might do certain things to get ready for a special guest coming to stay at your house, God showed that he loved Adam and Eve very much by the home he made for them. All the things God created for Adam and Eve also showed his power. The way that everything perfectly worked together also showed God's wisdom.

4. Adam was to name all the animals. Adam realized that there was no one else like him. The animals always had a female partner, but Adam did not.

5. She's perfect for me! She's just like me, but different than me. This is awesome!

6. When a man and woman leave their families and promise to live together for the rest of their lives, we call that marriage. We often hear these words at weddings as a reminder of God's design for marriage.

His Word in Your Life

Imagine you are Adam and Eve. You're telling your great, great, great grandkids about what life was like in the Garden of Eden. What would you tell them? Write it down as a letter, to them or tell your parents as if they were the grandkids. (use the back side of this sheet)



Even though our world and the way God made you is different than what we read of in Genesis 1 & 2, there are some important things that are still the same. Look at the following Bible passages to see what is still the same.

 **Psalm 139:13** *For you created my inmost being; you knit me together in my mother's womb.*

☝ **God makes every human life!**

 **John 3:16** *For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life.*

☝ **God shows that humans are still the most important part of his creation!**

 **Matthew 19:4-6** *"Haven't you read," he [Jesus] replied, "that at the beginning the Creator 'made them male and female,' and said, 'For this reason a man will leave his father and mother and be united to his wife, and the two will become one flesh'? So they are no longer two, but one flesh. Therefore what God has joined together, let no one separate."*

☝ **Marriage and family are still God's gift for us today!**

Catechism Connection



Read through the First Article in your Catechism. It can be found on page 4 or top of page 130. Underline the parts that remind you of what we learned in Genesis 1 & 2 about God the Father.

Interested in volunteering?

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