

MAKE UP WORK

From: Article One of the Apostles' Creed (January 20, 2010)

Multiple Choice: (Circle the correct answer.)

1. According to Genesis 1, what was created on the fourth day?
 - a. Ants
 - b. Trees
 - c. Cows
 - d. Stars

2. The seventh day was set aside as a day for
 - a. Football.
 - b. Shopping.
 - c. Sabbath.
 - d. Calling friends.

3. Which of the following did God create?
 - a. Animals
 - b. Your clothes
 - c. Your house
 - d. All of the above

4. Which of the following was NOT in the Garden of Eden?
 - a. The tree of the knowledge of good and evil
 - b. A serpent
 - c. Fig leaves
 - d. Doughnuts

5. The first thing Adam and Eve realized after eating the fruit was that:
 - a. They should wait an hour before going swimming.
 - b. They had left the oven on.
 - c. They were naked.
 - d. Snakes don't have legs.

6. The Latin phrase creation ex nihilo means:
 - a. God created everything out of nothing.
 - b. God used an instruction manual.
 - c. Snakes with legs are call ex nihilo snakes.
 - d. Creating something with tempting trees.

Handbook Connection

Open The Lutheran Handbook to "How to Encounter the Holy Trinity as One God in Three Persons" (pages 134-135).

First Line: *The Trinity is a* _____.

What symbol is often used to represent the Holy Trinity? (see p. 134)

What metaphor has been used to describe the Trinity? (see p. 135)

Bible Connection: Father Creator

There are actually two "creation" stories in Genesis. The first one is Genesis 1:1—2:4a and the second one is Genesis 2:4b-25. Read both stories.

How are they the same?

How are they different?

How is God's role the same or different?

What does God think of creation in both stories?

Read Romans 8:19-25. Paul is emphasizing the relationship between creation and human beings. Both were created good, but both now suffer under the bondage of sin.

List some ways that creation suffers from human sin:

Key Words

Write a definition for each of these words:

CREATE

CREATION

SUSTAIN

EX NIHILO

STEWARDSHIP

Closing Questions

1. Have you ever made anything? What was it like to be a creator?
2. If God provides enough resources, food, water, and so forth for all people, why are so many people hungry?
3. What are some ways that we are partners with God in taking care of creation?
4. What are some ways that we fail to be good partners with God in taking care of creation?