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God tells us to search for wisdom and understanding (Proverbs 2:3–6). The best place to look is in the Bible! So grab your detective gear and let's investigate Scripture, inspect clues, and discover all that God's Word has to teach us.



The order of things is important. Think about when you get dressed. You put each piece of clothing on in a certain sequence—your socks before your shoes and your shirt before your coat.

Genesis 1 tells us the order that God created the world. But evolutionists believe the universe came into existence in a different order.

Let's take a look at what God's Word says and compare it to what evolutionists believe.

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Read Genesis 1:1-2:3. Then draw or write the order of events in the boxes.

DAY 1 Genesis 1:1-5

DAY 2 Genesis 1:6–8

DAY 3 Genesis 1:9–13

DAY 4 Genesis 1:14-19

DAY 5 Genesis 1:20–23

DAY 6 Genesis 1:24-31

DAY 7 Genesis 2:1-3

Use what you learned to figure out if the order below is from the created order in Genesis or the idea of evolution.

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1. Earth before sun

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2. Earth before stars

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3. Light before sun

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4. Dry land before oceans

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5. Water before land (reation Evolution

6. Plants before sun

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7. Sea creatures before plants

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8. Birds before land animals

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9. Land animals before trees and plants

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BIG QUESTIONS

Why was Jesus born in Bethlehem?

Verses to Read Micah 5:2, Matthew 2:1–2, Luke 2:4

JESUS WAS BORN in Bethlehem to fulfill a prophecy in the Old Testament (Micah 5:2). A prophecy is a statement in the Bible about something that will happen in the future. Over 400 years before Jesus was born, the prophet Micah wrote that Jesus would be born in Bethlehem. And it came true!

Mary and Joseph returned to Joseph's hometown of Bethlehem because of the census. The census required

Jewish families to return to their hometowns to be registered, or counted, by the government. While they were in Bethlehem, Mary gave birth to Jesus. Micah's prophecy about Jesus'

Micah's prophecy about Jesu birthplace is just one of many prophecies in the Bible that came true. Fulfilled

> prophecies are one way we can know that the Bible is God's Word.