LONG AGO, there was nothing at all. There was no universe, no sky, no sun, no moon, no stars, and no Earth. There was no water. There were no plants, no trees, no animals, and no people. Nothing existed. Nothing at all. Except, of course, God. He has always existed.

God decided that He wanted all these things to come into being. He would take six whole days to make them all, and He would create something different every day for a week. We call this week Creation Week. On Day 1 of Creation Week, God made four important things!

1. **Time.** You may be surprised to learn that God had to create ‘time’ itself. ‘Before’ then, even time did not exist. Only God existed. He is eternal.

   So ‘before’ the beginning (Genesis 1:1), there was no time or...

2. **Space.** God had to create space. This was so there would be somewhere for God to put everything after He had created it.

3. **Matter.** God also had to create the earth. To begin with, He created the stuff which makes up the earth, and lots and lots of water. God created all this material, and everything else too, from nothing. How could that be? Well, God simply commanded it all to come into being, and it did. His Word is so powerful that this was all that was needed.

   At first, the earth was all covered by water, so it wasn’t a molten blob. God’s Spirit was there. Over the next few days His power and energy would make the earth into a beautiful place for animals and people to live. But first God brightened the place up with …

   **Light.** In the beginning, it was very, very dark—inky black—everywhere. So, early on Day 1, having made time, space and matter, God then created light. How did He do this? He just said, ‘Let there be light!’ and there was light. No problem for God. Again, His Word was all that was needed.

   This light was not the sun, as God had decided that He would not make the sun until the fourth day. So where did this light come from?
Some people who believe in evolution try to tell us in TV programs and books that time, space, matter, energy, and everything else all made themselves, and by accident. But how could anything make itself before it existed? The sun and stars are all still here, so the universe could not have existed forever.

Some scientists, but not nearly all, suggest that there was once a big bang that made everything. But when did you ever see ‘an explosion’ produce anything other than a huge mess? And we know from God’s Word (the Bible) that God didn’t use evolution or the big bang to make everything. He didn’t use evolution or the big bang to make anything! He didn’t need to. He is almighty. This means that He is absolutely powerful. Powerful enough to do anything He wants to do. Like creating time, and space, and matter, and energy, and everything else. He created everything—just by His Word.

God didn’t need to experiment either. Everything He did, He did right the very first time.

Who made God?

Some people ask: ‘If everything needs someone to make it, then who made God?’ The answer is that everything that has a beginning needs someone to make it. But God did not have a beginning. He has existed forever. So He did not need anyone to make Him! Evolutionists like to say that the universe is billions of years old, but the Bible denies this. Adding up people’s ages and other time periods in the Bible (for example Genesis 5 and 11, 47:9; 1 Kings 6:1), we find that Creation Week was about 6,000 years ago. The creation account that God has given us in Genesis is neither a fairy story, nor poetry, nor a parable. It is a reliable record of what actually happened. It is the history of the earth and the universe from their very beginning, and of how everything came into being. It is scientifically accurate, and it shows us the power, wisdom and goodness of our almighty Creator God.