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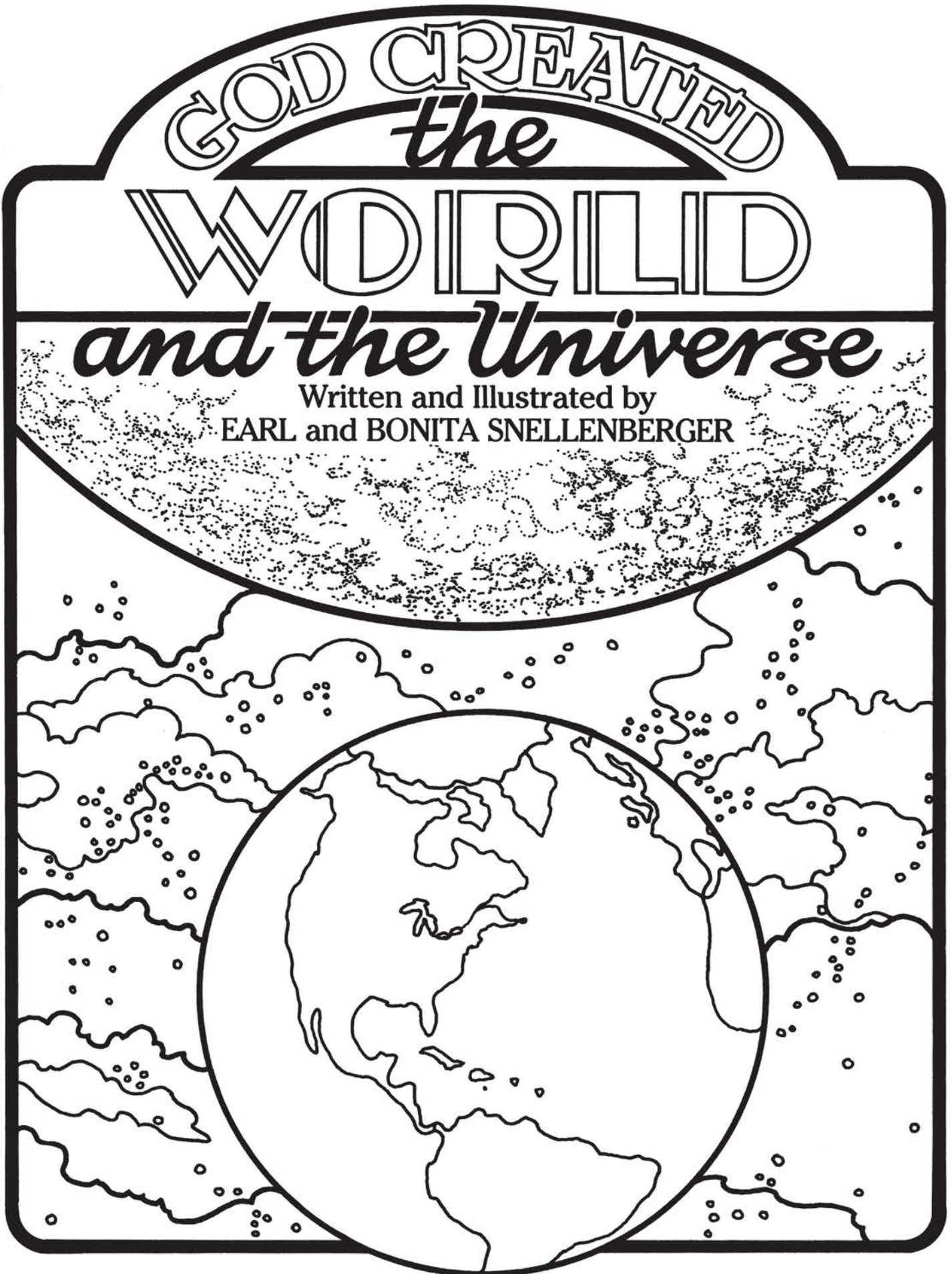


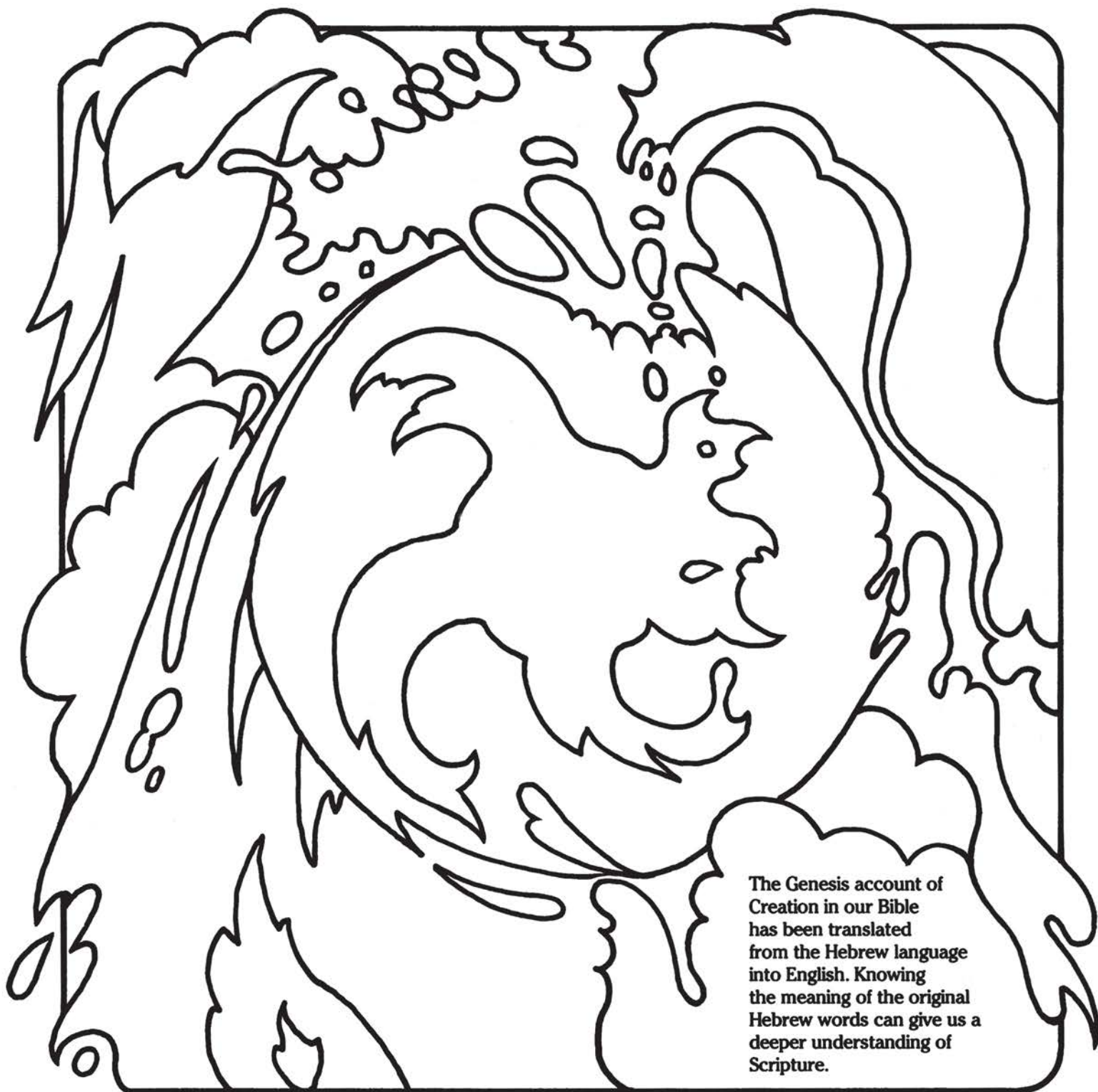
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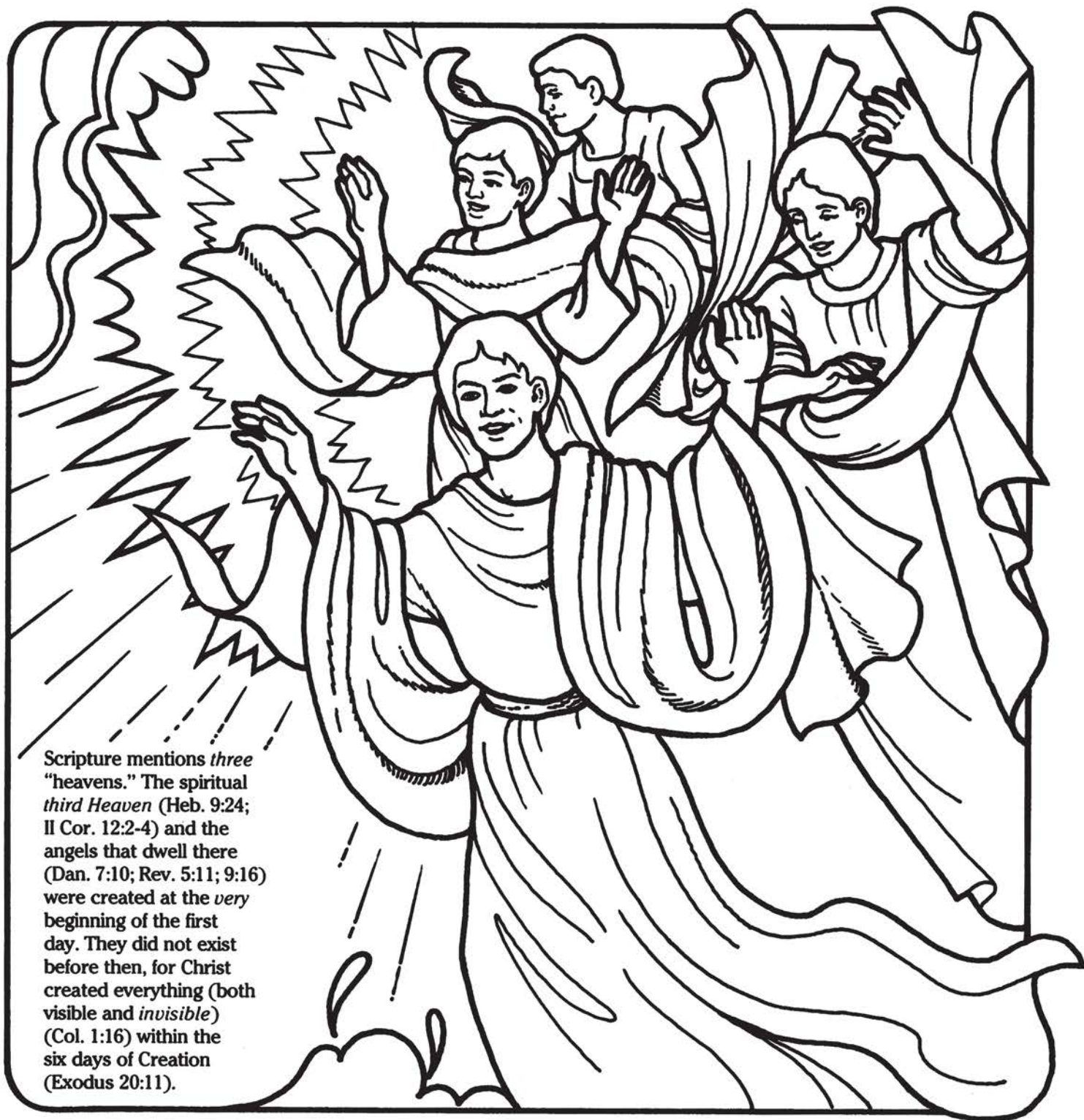




The Genesis account of Creation in our Bible has been translated from the Hebrew language into English. Knowing the meaning of the original Hebrew words can give us a deeper understanding of Scripture.

**IN THE BEGINNING GOD CREATED THE HEAVENS AND THE EARTH (Genesis 1:1).**

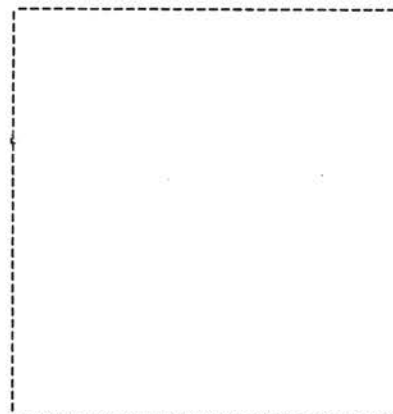
Time began when Eternal God created the heavens and the earth. *Shamayim*, the Hebrew word for “heaven (or heavens)” in Genesis 1:1, has the meaning of our modern term *space*. Just think, God even made the empty space in which He put the rest of His creations. God made earth, and *erets*, Hebrew for “earth,” means the *matter* of the universe. Outer space was still totally dark. The unformed, empty earth and the formless waters God made were in darkness until He said, “Let there be light” – and there was light. Light is a form of *energy*.



Scripture mentions *three* "heavens." The spiritual *third Heaven* (Heb. 9:24; II Cor. 12:2-4) and the angels that dwell there (Dan. 7:10; Rev. 5:11; 9:16) were created at the *very* beginning of the first day. They did not exist before then, for Christ created everything (both visible and *invisible*) (Col. 1:16) within the six days of Creation (Exodus 20:11).

### **THE ANGELS REJOICED WHEN THE WORLD WAS CREATED.**

*Space, matter, and energy* are the basis of the physical universe. And God made them *out of nothing!* How powerful and great God is. Little wonder that all of His angels shouted for joy to see Earth's creation (Job 38:4-7). God ended the first day of Creation Week by dividing the light from the darkness. The Sun had not yet been made, but God caused the light to shine upon the world and started the cycle of day and night. The Earth had been formed by the end of the first twenty-four-hour period, but was still not ready for life.





**GOD FORMED THE EARTH INTO A SPHERE AND PREPARED IT FOR LIFE.**

God "...set a compass upon the face of the depth (deep)" (Proverbs 8:27). "...He sitteth upon the circle of the earth" (Isaiah 40:22). On the second day, God separated "the waters above the *firmament*," meaning a stretched out space surrounding the world, from the waters below. On the third day, God gathered the waters under the firmament together to form seas and caused dry land to appear. Then God created grasses, herbs, and full-grown trees already bearing delicious fruit – each plant with seeds to reproduce its own kind.