

Question: *When did time begin?*

Sarah S.

Age 10 — Canada



In the beginning



Answer:

In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth (Genesis 1:1).

Time began when God started to create everything in the whole universe. He did this “in the beginning” of the Creation Week. According to the Bible, that was about 6,000 years ago. Before then, there were no days or weeks or years. It is hard for us to understand, but time, just like everything else God created, including you and me, had a beginning, and it wasn’t very long ago! God, on the other hand, is infinite. He has always existed, and He is not bound to time, like we are. In fact, the Bible says that to God a day can be like 1,000 years and 1,000 years can be just like a day. Time just doesn’t mean the same thing to God as it does to us. He’s “outside” of it. We do know, however that He created time on the first day of creation.



2 Peter 3:8; Revelation 1:8





Question: *How did God create everything from nothing?*

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Answer:

By faith we understand that the worlds were framed by the word of God, so that the things which are seen were not made of things which are visible (Hebrews 11:3).

We serve a mighty and powerful God! He created everything — the whole universe — in just six days! And in our Bible verse we learn that the things we see were made from things not seen, or invisible things. In other words, there was nothing (or maybe we should say “not even nothing”) when God began to create.



If you read the first chapter of Genesis, you will see the words “God said” eight times. Shelby, this explains how God created by His great power. For example, can you imagine how amazing it must have been when God said, “Let there be lights in the heavens?” The stars, sun, and moon appeared, just as God had planned. God needed only to speak and everything was created. He truly is worthy of our praise!

Exodus 20:11; Genesis 1:14–15



Question: *Did Adam and Eve have bellybuttons?*
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Age 7 — Georgia, USA





Answer:

And the LORD God formed man of the dust of the ground . . . and man became a living being. . . . Then the rib which the LORD God had taken from man He made into a woman (Genesis 2:7, 22).

You are not the first one to wonder about Adam's bellybutton! Do you know that our bellybuttons are scars left over from when we were born? When a baby is growing in her mommy's tummy, she needs food. She gets food through a cord attached to her mommy. We all needed that cord in order to survive and grow! Our bellybuttons are scars from the cord that once fed us.

The Bible tells us that our great God made the first man (Adam) directly out of dust. He was already an adult, so he didn't need a cord to get food. The Bible also tells us that God made the first woman (Eve) directly from the rib of the man. So she was an adult too. I think it is very possible they did not have or need bellybuttons.

Genesis 2:4-7, 15-23

