

The Creation

James Weldon Johnson 1871 - 1938

And God stepped out on space, And he looked around and said: I'm lonely-

I'll make me a world.

And far as the eye of God could see Darkness covered everything, Blacker than a hundred

midnights Down in a cypress swamp.

Then God smiled, And the light broke, And the darkness rolled up on

one side, And the light stood shining on the other,

And God said: That's good!

Then God reached out and took the light in his hands, And God rolled the light around

in his hands Until he made the sun: And he set that sun a-blazing in

the heavens. And the light that was left from

making the sun God gathered it up in a shining ball

And flung it against the darkness, Spangling the night with the moon and stars.

Then down between The darkness and the light He hurled the world; And God said: That's good!

Then God himself stepped down-

And the sun was on his right hand,

And the moon was on his left; The stars were clustered about

And the earth was under his feet. And God walked, and

where he trod His footsteps hollowed the valleys out

And bulged the mountains up.

Then he stopped and looked and saw

That the earth was hot and

So God stepped over to the edge of the world

And he spat out the seven seas-He batted his eyes, and the lightnings flashed-

He clapped his hands, and the thunders rolled-

And the waters above the earth came down,

The cooling waters came down.

Then the green grass sprouted, And the little red flowers blossomed,

The pine tree pointed his finger to the sky,

And the oak spread out his arms, The lakes cuddled down in the hollows of the ground,

And the rivers ran down to the sea;

And God smiled again, And the rainbow appeared, And curled itself around his shoulder.

Then God raised his arm and he waved his hand Over the sea and over the land, And he said: Bring forth!

Bring forth! And quicker than God could drop his hand, Fishes and fowls And beasts and birds Swam the rivers and the seas,

Roamed the forests and the

And split the air with their wings. And God said: That's good!

Then God walked around, And God looked around On all that he had made. He looked at his sun, And he looked at his moon, And he looked at his little stars; He looked on his world With all its living things, And God said: I'm lonely still.

Then God sat down-On the side of a hill where he could think;

By a deep, wide river he sat down; With his head in his hands, God thought and thought,

I'll make me a man!

Till he thought:

Up from the bed of the river God scooped the clay; And by the bank of the river He kneeled him down; And there the great **God Almighty**

Who lit the sun and fixed it in the sky,

Who flung the stars to the most far corner of the night, Who rounded the earth in the

middle of his hand; This great God,

Like a mammy bending over her baby,

Kneeled down in the dust Toiling over a lump of clay Till he shaped it in is his own image;

Then into it he blew the breath of life,

And man became a living soul. Amen. Amen.



The New Creation

Linda Gommel, April 13, 2025 with apologies to James Weldon Johnson

After a few eons passed by, God Almighty looked down on His Creation, And He said, I'm still lonely.

That lump of clay I created, That living soul, man, made in My image, Well, he up and left Me! He isn't any good anymore.

My Creation is spoiled! And God sat down -

could think; By that same deep, wide river He sat down;

On the side of a hill where He

With His head in His hands, God thought and thought, Till He thought, I'll make Me a new Man.

This new man will be just like the other men,

But this man will be Me, walking

around with all the others. He'll just be a man, with MY soul

and Spirit in Him, And He'll show other men how to live the right way.

So God found a woman, a good woman who wasn't spoiled yet,

He reached down deep insider her,

And He knit together a little baby, Who grew up to be the man with God's Spirit inside Him.

Then God thought, I can't just let these spoiled creatures go. These spoiled creatures must be

punished. But God couldn't think of a punishment that measured up,

Except for death, so He allowed men to use innocent animals.

They put some of them to death as punishment for being spoiled.

Then God thought, Instead of killing animals again and again, I'll take the Man with My Spirit

inside of Him and put Him

to death. In the place of the spoiled creatures, I'll put Him to death,

And then I'll put My Spirit inside of Him again,

And He'll rise to life again, So the spoiled creatures will know they can die and rise to life again, too.

God's new man came and told the story of how men became

He told how the spoiled soul had to die. Then the Spirit of God had to

come inside him So he could rise to life again and

restore his living soul.

This new man who came and died so He could rise to life again?

So the spoiled creatures could die inside and rise to life again? God breathed His Spirit

into the Man and called him Jesus.

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7 Surprising Findings From Trump's Physical



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President Trump completed his annual physical at Walter Reed yesterday, earning a

clean bill of health -- but with a few surprises along the way. Here are the seven most shocking findings from Trump's exam:

- 1. Blood type came back USA-positive: The world has never seen anything like it.
- 2. Became only person in history to correctly identify all the ink blots in the Rorschach test: Incredible.
- 3. Trump's skin actually has an odd orange hue: No one has noticed this before, but the doctors are looking into it.
- 4. His regenerated ear has developed super-hearing, like Daredevil: We feel a Netflix series incoming.
- 5. Unnecessary appendix has already been removed by DOGE: Those guys are good.

6. Even his small intestine is YUGE: The jury

is still out whether that's good or bad. 7. He is severely allergic to losing: The only prescription: more winning.

Well done, Mr. President!

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