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#### CHAPTER I.

#### THE CREATION OF THE WORLD.

Cre-ate. To form out of Fir-ma-ment. The region of nothing; to cause to exist. the sir; the sky.

- In the beginning Almighty God created the heavens and the earth. But the earth was a mere shapeless mass of matter covered with deep waters. And all around was darkness.
- 2. Then on the first day God said, "Let there be light; and there was light." The darkness was now all gone, and the earth became bright and cheerful.
- 3. On the second day God said, "Let the firmanent appear." And it was so. The beautiful bright blue sky arched over the earth, and a part of the waters of the sea were changed into clouds and went up to their place in the sky.

<sup>1.</sup> What did God create in the beginning? 2. What did He create on the first day? 3. On the second?

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- 4. On the third day God said, "Let the waters be gathered together in one place, and let the dry land appear." And it was so. And God gave the name of Earth to the dry land, and He called the water Sea.
- The earth now showed mountains, hills, valleys, and wide fields, while rivers, lakes and brooks freshened up the land and poured themselves into the sea.
- 6. And God spoke again and commanded the earth to bring forth grass and herbs and trees bearing fruit. And the earth became green as in spring-time with its grass and herbs and thousands of gay flowers and trees in blossom.
- 7. On the fourth day God said, "Let there be light in the heavens to divide the days and the years, and give light to the earth." And it was so. The golden sun rose in the heavens to give light to the day; and the silvery moon and countless stars shone at night.
- On the fifth day God said, "Let there be fish in the waters, and birds in the air." And at once the waters were filled with fish, and the air with birds of every kind.
- 9. On the sixth day God said, "Let the earth bring forth beasts of every kind." And it was done. Then on the seventh day God rested, and set apart this day for man to give to the worship of his Maker, and for a day of holy rest from his labors.

<sup>4.</sup> On the third? 5. What was now seen on the earth? 6. What did God also command the Earth to bring forth? 7. What did God command on the fourth day? 8. On the fifth? 9. On the sixth?