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Q. How are there all the things in the world?

A. God [Hanŭnim 하느님] made them.

Q. Who is God?

A. He is Spirit and has no face, so we cannot see Him. He has no beginning and no end; He is almighty; His omniscience is beyond our knowledge.

Q. Where is God?

A. There is no place in the world where God does not exist.

Q. What does God know?

A. He knows all our thoughts, behaviors, and known and unknown things.

Q. What is the relationship between Him and us?

A. As He grows us and cares for us, we should revere and worship Him.

Q. Can we worship other gods?

A. Others gods are evil spirits [kwishin]. Therefore, we have no relationship with them

and we should not worship them.

Q. How can we know God?

A. We can know Him through the Bible that He gave us.

Q. What is the Bible?

A. It consists of the Old Testament and the New Testament.

Q. What is the Old Testament book?

A. The Old Testament was given before Jesus.

Q. What is the New Testament?

A. The New Testament was given after Jesus?

Q. What was written in the Old Testament?

A. It is the writings about all the things in the world, the Fall of the human beings, the Great Flood, and the Way.

Q. How many days were all the things of the world made?

A. They were made in six days.

Q. How were they made?

A. God created them with only His words.

Q. How were human beings made?

A. God formed them of the dust of the ground.

Q. What is the difference between human beings and animals?

A. Any animal does not have a soul but a flesh, yet only human beings have a soul.

Q. How was the original nature of human beings?

A. The original human nature was good.

Q. Was it preserved as it was?

A. It was not preserved.

Q. Why did they lose it?

A. They lost it because they did not obey the order of God.