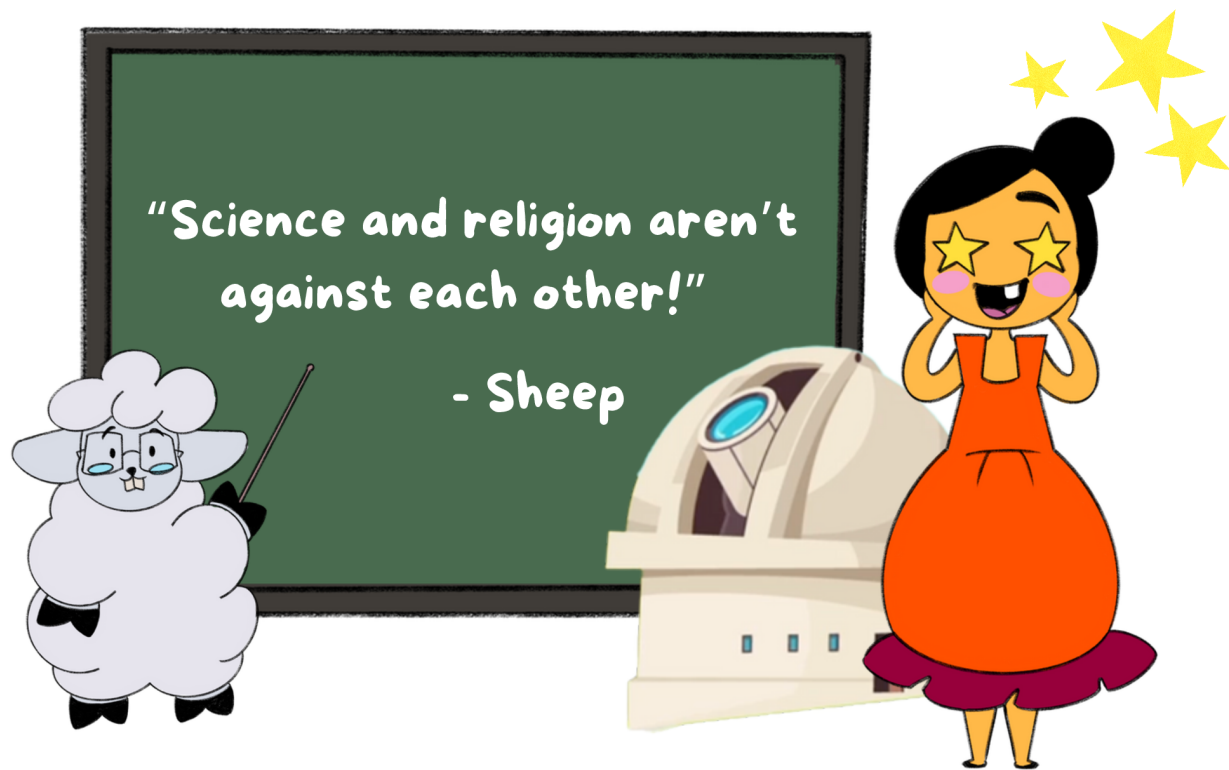
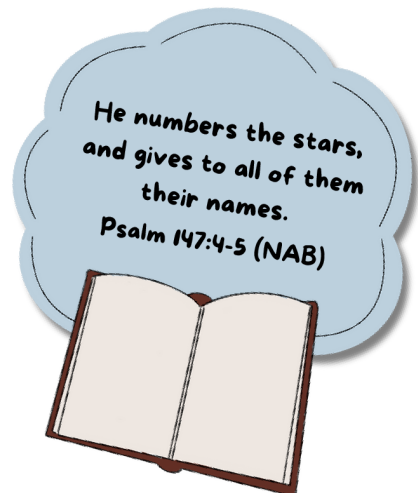
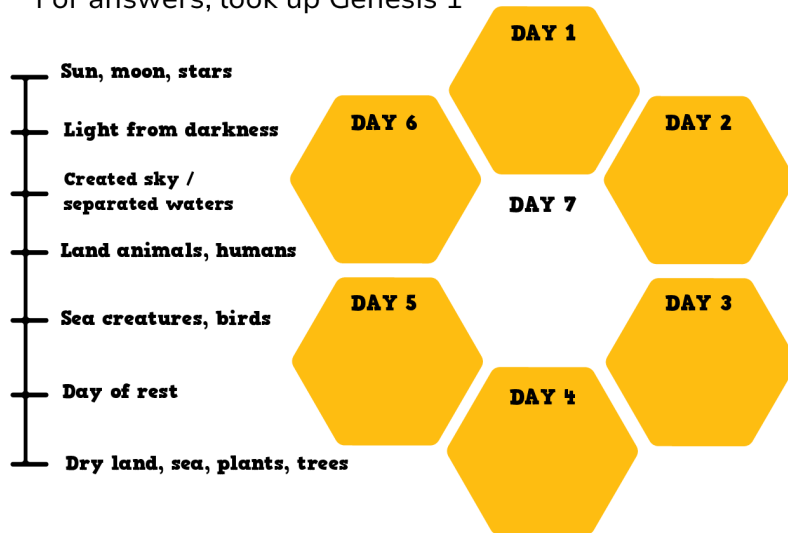


Vatican Astronomy Program



Order the Days of Creation

For answers, look up Genesis 1



Did You Know?

The Specola Vaticana is one of the oldest astronomical institutes in the world.

The Vatican has a second research center in the United States at Mt. Graham, Arizona.

The observatory hosts an annual summer school for college students.

Reflection Questions

Pause to reflect on how admiring nature strengthens your relationship with God.

What parts of God's creation fill you with wonder and awe?

If you could ask God one question about His creation, what would it be?

Response of Thanksgiving

Use your reflections to guide a gift of thanksgiving to God.

Take a moment to tell God how wondrous His works are...

Guided Imaginative Prayer

Follow the prompt to enter into imaginative prayer with God.

Close your eyes, and imagine that you are in total darkness. You hear a sound, and then there is a brilliant light. Your eyes adjust and you see the earth, but it is just land and sea. As you look closer, you see trees and plants spring forth from the ground of all shapes, sizes, and colors. In the distance, you see your favorite animal being created then thousands more animals after that. From the dirt, God forms the first human beings, and with His breath, brings them to life. Now, God imagines you, and with great love creates you.

Take a moment to thank God for making such a wonderful world for us to explore.

