

THIS WEEK'S CREATION MOMENT

The Delaware Creation



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The Wallam Olum is the story of creation and the history of the Delaware Indians. It predates the coming of white people or Christianity to North America. The Delaware creation legend reveals an all-powerful creator who began by creating an earth without dry land, and the heavens, including the sun, moon, and stars. After dividing the waters from the land, he made all living things, including the first mother. This world was full of joy and had no sorrow until the snake brought wickedness. It concludes by saying that all this happened beyond the great ocean.

The Delaware story of the Flood begins with the world filled with evil because of the activity of the evil snake. A few were saved through the Flood at an island called “Nana,” a name very similar to Noah.

While the Wallam Olum is not Genesis, the similarities with Genesis are too many to be accidental. This can only be explained by the fact that the Bible is accurate in describing how all cultures have shared this history together.

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