

### Catholic Trivia 3-4 Answers:

1. We believe that God created the world “out of nothing” (*ex nihilo*). The Catechism states: *We believe that God needs no pre-existent thing or any help in order to create, nor is creation any sort of necessary emanation from the divine substance. God creates freely ‘out of nothing;’ If God had drawn the world from preexistent matter, what would be so extraordinary in that? A human artisan makes from a given material whatever he wants, while God shows his power by starting from nothing to make all he wants.* (CCC 296) The Church does not have an official teaching on how the world came into being which leaves an opening to scientific theories. But we believe that creation was accomplished by a loving act of God and it came “from nothing.”
2. The first chapters of the Book of Genesis contain two stories of creation: a creation in six days with God resting on the 7<sup>th</sup> day (Gen. 1:1-2:3) and the story of the man and woman placed in the Garden of Eden (Gen 2:4-25).
3. The first five books of the Bible: Genesis, Exodus, Leviticus, Numbers and Deuteronomy.
4. The text of the Ten Commandments appears twice in the Hebrew Bible: Exodus 20:2–17 and Deuteronomy 5:6–21.
5. In similar but different form, the Beatitudes are found in Matthew’s Sermon on the Mount (5:1-12) and Luke’s Sermon on the Plain (6:20–23).