CHINESE

CREATION ACCOUNT



Taken From

Tong Sing

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Introduction

From the "*Tong Sing*", The Book of Wisdom based on The Ancient Chinese Almanac, the following account of the creation by Pangu is given.

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The Creation

Before the world began, there was nothing except an egg-shaped primeval mass and the universal principle of yin and yang, which is the origin and the spirit of all matter and life. Pangu, the creator of the world, was fashioned from yin and yang. Every day, during a period of 18,000 years, he underwent nine changes. He also laboured, with the help of four creatures - a dragon, a tortoise, a unicorn and a phoenix - to mould the mass into the shape which is now the earth. In this process, the clear and pure elements condensed to form the stars, sun and moon, and the dark and impure elements condensed to form the earth. The earth, the heavens and Pangu himself grew larger until, one thousand years later, he died. Then his body was amazingly transformed. His flesh became the soil, his blood the lakes and rivers, his breath the wind, his sweat the rain, his hair the plants, his left eye the sun, his right eye the moon, and his voice thunder. The parasites feeding on his body became the various members of the human race.

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