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Many Christians ask themselves whether the earth is young or old. Young earth-creationists must have faith that science is wrong when they find the earth to be billions of years old. While old earth-creationists must find a way to prove how plants survived for millions of years without the sun in those long “days” of the Genesis creation. There is another perspective which was quite popular before young earth-creationism re-emerged in the 20<sup>th</sup> century. This is known as the gap theory. The purpose of this paper will show in a concise manner, what the gap theory is, how it emerged and how it is scientifically, and primarily Biblically supported throughout the Bible. The exposé will also refute some of the assumptions that are made of the gap-theory which are false. The primary aim of this paper is to reconcile an old earth with a young creation, and how the misconception of this phenomenon leads to two separate beliefs which spark this common debate amongst Christians.

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