

Traducianism

From L. “traducere” meaning to transfer. This view teaches that both the material body and the immaterial soul are transmitted through physical procreation. This position was first developed by Tertullian, AD 155–220

Creationism

Teaches that only the body is generated through physical generation, the soul is directly created by God.

Hence, for Creationists, the body is created by God INDIRECTLY through intermediate means and the soul is created DIRECTLY by God through mediate means.

Gen 2:7, “And the LORD God formed man of the dust of the ground, and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life; and man became a living being.”

נְשָׁמָה *n^ešāmāh*, breath, usually breath of God,
breath related to life.

**Job 1:21, “He said,
‘Naked I came from my mother’s womb,
and naked I shall return there.
The LORD gave and the LORD has taken
away. Blessed be the name of the LORD’.”**

Job 33:4 “The Spirit of God has made [עָשָׂה] □ *āśāh*] me,

and the breath [נְשָׁמָה] *n^ešāmāh*] of the Almighty gives me life.

Eccl. 12:7, “Then the dust will return to the earth as it was, and the spirit [*ruach*] will return to God who gave it.”

Isa 2:22, “Sever yourselves from such a man,
whose breath [נְשָׁמָה *n^ešāmāh*] is in his
nostrils; for of what account is he?”

Isa 42:5, “Thus says God the LORD, Who created the heavens and stretched them out, Who spread forth the earth and that which comes from it, Who gives breath [נְשָׁמָה] *n^ešāmāh*] to the people on it, and spirit [רוּחַ] *rûah*] to those who walk on it:”

Isa 57:16, “For I will not contend forever, nor will I always be angry; for the spirit [רוּחַ *rûah*] would fail before Me, and the souls [נְשָׁמָה *n^ešāmāh*] which I have made.”

**Psa. 22:9 ¶ “Yet You are He who brought
me forth from the womb;**

**You made me trust *when* upon my
mother’s breasts.**

**Psa. 22:10, “Upon You I was cast from
birth [*mirechem*];**

**You have been my God from my mother’s
womb [*mibeten*].”**

**Psa. 58:3, “The wicked are estranged from the womb [*mirechem*];
These who speak lies go astray from birth [*mibeten*].”**

Isa 46:3, “Listen to Me, O house of Jacob, and all the remnant of the house of Israel, you who have been borne by Me from birth, and have been carried from the womb;”

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Job 3:11 ¶ “Why did I not die at birth
[*mirechem*],
Come forth from the womb [*mibeten*] and
expire?”

Job 10:19, “I should have been as though I had not been,

Carried from womb [*mibeten*] to tomb.”

**Is. 44:2, “Thus says the LORD who made
you and formed you from the womb [*mibeten*],
who will help you,
‘Do not fear, O Jacob My servant;
and you Jeshurun whom I have chosen’.”**

Is. 44:24, ¶ “Thus says the LORD, your Redeemer, and the one who formed you from the womb [*mibeten*],

‘I, the LORD, am the Maker of all things, stretching out the heavens by Myself and spreading out the earth all alone’,”

Birth (verb) dLy, *yalad*

VERB to bear, beget, used 388× of giving birth.

2. Conceive (verb) **hr'êh'**, *harah*

VERB to conceive; used 52× in the Old Testament.

Gen. 4:1 ¶ “Now the man had relations with his wife Eve, and she conceived and gave birth to Cain, and she said, ‘I have gotten a manchild with *the help of the LORD*’.”