On the creation of the cosmos and man.

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S A C R E D C A T E C H I S M O F T H E EASTERN ORTHODOX CHURCH I.E. OF THE ONE HOLY CATHOLIC AND APOSTOLIC CHURCH

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1. What is it that we call "cosmos" (i.e. ornament)?

The term "cosmos," meaning "ornament" (in its original Greek connotation), specifies the totality of the creation, because creation is characterized by an inherent order and harmony. The creation is divided into the visible and the invisible cosmos; ($\pi\epsilon\rho\iota\sigma\sigma\delta\tau\epsilon\rho\alpha...$)