Religion of Old Turks

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ABSTRACT Nature is a source and the origin of the Turk worldview. Without changing natural events and their rhythm, it has become their cornerstone of philosophical thought and worldview. The creator of nature is believed to be “Tengri” (God) and respect to it was shown by taking care of nature. This process still exists in the traditions followed by many nations. Only “Tengri” (God) is believed to be alone, and for many other creations are believed to exist in pairs, so they created a coupled worldview. The present Turkish people call it “iki yıldız” (two stars), Mongolians call it “arga bilig”, and Kazakhs “amal-bilik”. Nomadic tribes created a dual worldview based on approaches and the system of abilities. The dual worldview of nomads differs from the European dual worldview in terms of its quality. In European comprehension, existence involved struggling with each other, and originally Turks believed that existence develops through support and intense connection of approach and abilities to each other.