THE AGE OF THE EARTH

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Luke 16:31 "He said to him, 'If they do not listen to Moses and the Prophets, they will not be convinced even if someone rises from the dead."

Romans 1:20 "For since the creation of the world God's invisible qualities-his eternal power and divine nature-have been clearly seen, being understood from what has been made, so that men are without excuse."

Hebrews 11:3 "By faith we understand that the universe was formed at God's command, so that what is seen was not made out of what was visible"

Proverbs 18:17 "The first to present his case seems right, till another comes forward and questions him."

How old is the Earth?

I. WHAT THE BIBLE SAYS ABOUT CREATION.

Genesis 1:1 "In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth." NIV

1. A straightforward, plain reading of the Bible indicates the days to be LITERAL 24 hour periods. (Hebrew word "Yom")

Exodus 20:8-11 "Remember the Sabbath day by keeping it holy....11 For in <u>six days</u> the LORD made the heavens and the earth, the sea, and all that is in them." $\overline{\rm NIV}$

Exodus 31:17 "It will be a sign between me and the Israelites forever, for in <u>six day</u>s the LORD made the heavens and the earth, and on the seventh day he abstained from work and rested."

II. SCIENTIFIC EVIDENCE FOR A <u>YOUNG</u> EARTH.

(16 Limiting Factors)

Evidence from HISTORY...

1. Biblical ______ dates add up to about 6000 years.

2. Oldest known _____ less than 6000 years old.

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4. Nearly 300 ancient cultures have worldwide ______ stories.

Evidence from <u>SPACE...</u>

5. Interplanetary _____ rate is minimal.

6. _____ disintegrate too quickly.

7. The ______ is receding.

8. The ______ is shrinking!

Evidence from EARTH...

9. The Earth's _____ is decaying.

10. ______ is receding.

11. _____ rate is minimal.

12.______still high.

13. The ______ is slowing down.

14. _____ grow fast!

Evidence from **BIOLOGY**...

15. Oldest ______ is only 4800 years old.

16. Oldest ______ is 4200 years old.

CREATION World-View History			
Creation	Flood	Jesus	Today
6000 Y.A.	4400 Y.A.	2014 Y.A.	0 Y.A.

Next Week: "The Garden of Eden" — Did people really live to be 900 years old?