## 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 six days the LORD made the heavens and the earth, the sea, and all that is in them." NIV
Exodus 31:17 "It will be a sign between me and the Israelites forever, for in six days the LORD made the heavens and the earth, and on the seventh day he abstained from work and rested."

## II. SCIENTIFIC EVIDENCE FOR A YOUNG EARTH.

(16 Limiting Factors)

## Evidence from HISTORY...

1. Biblical $\qquad$ dates add up to about $\underline{\mathbf{6 0 0 0}}$ years.
2. Oldest known $\qquad$ less than $\underline{6000}$ years old.
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4. Nearly 300 ancient cultures have worldwide $\qquad$ stories

## Evidence from SPACE...

5. Interplanetary $\qquad$ rate is minimal.
6. $\qquad$ disintegrate too quickly.
7. The $\qquad$ is receding.
8. The $\qquad$ is shrinking!

## Evidence from EARTH...

9. The Earth's $\qquad$ is decaying.
10. $\qquad$ is receding.
11. $\qquad$ rate is minimal.
12. $\qquad$ still high.
13. The $\qquad$ is slowing down.
14. $\qquad$ grow fast!

## Evidence from BIOLOGY...

15. Oldest $\qquad$ is only 4800 years old.
16. Oldest $\qquad$ is 4200 years old.


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

