

The Bible record of time verses Charles Darwin’s theory of time

Our children are being taught that their ancestors were apes and monkeys. How much of the Bible do we believe? Let us examine the Biblical record concerning the age of the universe.

When did it all begin?

- Genesis 1:1 – “In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth”.
- Genesis 1:5 – “And God called the light Day, and the darkness He called Night. And the evening and the morning were the first day.”
- Genesis 1:6-30 – God created an environment suited for living things—plants, animals, and people.
- Genesis 1:31 – “And God saw every thing that He had made and behold, it was very good, and the evening and the morning were the sixth day.

Note: Everything was created very quickly and systematically so that all the creation could function.

Adam and Eve were created full grown, able to reproduce children like themselves.

Genesis 3:20 – “And Adam called his wife’s name Eve; because she was the mother of all living.”

Genesis chapter 4 tells of the birth of Cain and Abel.

Genesis 4:17-22 tells us that Cain married and had children. Cain’s wife had to be one of his sisters.

Genesis 4:25 – “And Adam knew his wife again; and she bare a son, and called his name Seth...”  
Seth was the son born to Adam by which the Bible record of time began.

Bible reference	Father’s name	Age when son was born	Son’s name
Genesis 5 verse 3	Adam	130	Seth
Genesis 5 verse 6	Seth	105	Enos
Genesis 5 verse 9	Enos	90	Cainan
Genesis 5 verse 12	Cainan	70	Mahalaleel
Genesis 5 verse 15	Mahalaleel	65	Jared
Genesis 5 verse 18	Jared	162	Enoch
Genesis 5 verse 21	Enoch	65	Methuselah
Genesis 5 verse 25	Methuselah	187	Lamech
Genesis 5 verse 28	Lamech	182	Noah

Genesis 7:11 tells us that Noah was 600 years old when the flood came.

Note: The Bible records, from the time of the creation of Adam to the time of the flood was a total of 1656 years.

Genesis chapter 11 records the years from the flood to Abraham

Genesis 11:10, “These are the generations of Shem: Shem was an hundred years old, and begat Arphaxad, two years after the flood:”

Bible reference	Father’s name	Age when son was born	Son’s name
Genesis 11 verse 12	Arphaxad	35	Salah
Genesis 11 verse 14	Salah	30	Ebor
Genesis11 verse 16	Eber	34	Peleg

Genesis 11 verse 18	Peleg	30	Ren
Genesis 11 verse 20	Reu	32	Serug
Genesis 11 verse 22	Serug	30	Nahor
Genesis 11 verse 24	Nahor	29	Terah
Genesis 11 verse 26	Terah	70	Abraham

The Bible records the time from the flood to Abraham a total of 292 years.

**The New Testament Book of Matthew records the time from Abraham to Christ**

Matthew 1:17, “*So all the generations from Abraham to David are fourteen generations; and from David until the carrying away into Babylon are fourteen generations; and from the carrying away into Babylon unto Christ are fourteen generations.*”

Based on the generations from Shem to Abraham a generation equals 36 years each.

If this is a reasonable equation,  $42 \times 36 = 1,512$  years.

When we total the years listed above, we can see that the number of years from the Biblical record of the creation until this year is approximately 5,491 years ( $1,656 + 292 + 1,512 + 2,021 = 5,491$ ). This is far short of the billions of years taught by those who believe in the theory of evolution.

May we seriously consider the Bible record as being true.

The world book encyclopedia (volume 5, page 172) tells us that dinosaurs lived on the earth for almost 140 million years and died out 65 million years ago.

We must decide which information we choose to believe. I choose to believe the Bible because it is true. II Timothy 3:16-17 says, “*All scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness: that the man of God may be perfect, thoroughly furnished unto all good works.*”

On August 27<sup>th</sup> we had corresponding lessons on this topic. Check our website for sermons titled “Whom does God consider a fool (Psalm 19)” from the AM service and “The Age of the Earth Supports God (Genesis 5:1-5)” from the PM service. Also, you can find our worship services on our Facebook page.