

## “The Truth About ... Dating” (The Earth, That Is)

Psalms 33:6-9

\_\_\_\_\_ dating uses the chronology given by \_\_\_\_\_.  
(Gen. 5:1-3,6,9,12,15,18,21,25,28,29; 11:10,26; Jude 1:14)

Biblical dating concludes that mankind is about \_\_\_\_\_  
years old, and the Earth, \_\_\_\_\_ years + \_\_\_\_ days old.

\_\_\_\_\_ use \_\_\_\_\_ main dating techniques  
and conclude that the Earth is 4.5 \_\_\_\_\_ years old and  
modern humans \_\_\_\_\_ years old.

1. \_\_\_\_\_ dating:
  - \* Carbon 14: allegedly measures \_\_\_\_\_  
of years.
  - \* Potassium-Argon (K-Ar) or Uranium-lead (U-Pb):  
allegedly measures \_\_\_\_\_, even  
\_\_\_\_\_ of years.

2. The \_\_\_\_\_ column  
The geologic column is a series of \_\_\_\_\_  
of sedimentary rock believed to have been laid down  
in a certain order over \_\_\_\_\_ of years.

### Problem #1

The sediment layers are dated by the \_\_\_\_\_  
that are found in them, and the fossils are dated by  
the \_\_\_\_\_ they are found in.

### Problem #2

The complete geologic column only exists in  
\_\_\_\_\_, not in \_\_\_\_\_.

## Discussion Questions

1. Look over your sermon notes and share something you learned with your group.
2. Describe either your best or your worst date.
3. Were you surprised to learn that the scientific dating methods are unreliable and even deceptive? Why or why not?
4. Do you believe the Earth is only about 6,000 years old? Why or why not?
5. Does the age of the Earth matter? Why or why not?
6. Pastors who don't believe in a literal five-day Creation also don't believe in a literal worldwide flood. How are these two things connected and why if you reject a literal five-day Creation must you also reject a literal worldwide flood?
7. Read Genesis 1:27,28. What are the two huge differences between mankind and all other creatures that are mentioned in these verses? How does that make you feel :-)?