

The Age of the Universe: What does the Bible Say?

Reference	From	To	Years Between	Years Since Beginning	Gregorian Date
Genesis 1:1,27,31	The Beginning	Adam (man)	6 days	Day 6 of Year 1	4004 BC
1. In the beginning God created the heaven and the earth.					
27. So God created man in His own image; in the image of God He created them; male and female He created them.					
31. And God saw everything that was made, and behold it was very good. And the evening and the morning were the sixth day .					
5:3	Adam	Seth	130	130	3874 BC
And Adam lived an hundred and thirty years , and begat a son in his own likeness, and after his image; and called his name Seth:					
5:6	Seth	Enos	105	235	3769 BC
And Seth lived an hundred and five years , and begat Enos:					
5:9	Enos	Cainan	90	325	3679 BC
And Enos lived ninety years , and begat Cainan:					
5:12	Cainan	Mahalaleel	70	395	3609 BC
And Cainan lived seventy years and begat Mahalaleel:					
5:15	Mahalaleel	Jared	65	460	3544 BC
And Mahalaleel lived sixty and five years , and begat Jared:					
5:18	Jared	Enoch	162	622	3382 BC
And Jared lived an hundred sixty and two years , and he begat Enoch:					
5:21	Enoch	Methuselah	65	687	3317 BC
And Enoch lived sixty and five years , and begat Methuselah:					
5:25	Methuselah	Lamech	187	874	3130 BC
And Methuselah lived an hundred eighty and seven years , and begat Lamech.					
5:28-29a	Lamech	Noah	182	1056	2948 BC
And Lamech lived an hundred eighty and two years , and begat a son: And he called his name Noah...					
7:6	Noah	Flood	600	1656	2348 BC
Now Noah was six hundred years old when the flood of water was upon the earth.					
11:10	Flood	Arphaxad	2	1658	2346 BC
These are the generations of Shem: Shem was an hundred years old, and begat Arphaxad two years after the flood					
11:12	Arphaxad	Salah	35	1693	2311 BC
And Arphaxad lived five and thirty years , and begat Salah:					
11:14	Salah	Eber	30	1723	2281 BC
And Salah lived thirty years, and begat Eber:					
11:16	Eber	Peleg	34	1757	2247 BC
And Eber lived four and thirty years, and begat Peleg:					
11:18	Peleg	Reu	30	1787	2217 BC
And Peleg lived thirty years, and begat Reu:					
11:20	Reu	Serug	32	1819	2185 BC
And Reu lived two and thirty years, and begat Serug:					
11:22	Serug	Nahor	30	1849	2155 BC
And Serug lived thirty years, and begat Nahor:					
11:24	Nahor	Terah	29	1878	2126 BC
And Nahor lived nine and twenty years, and begat Terah:					
Genesis 11:32;12:1,4 Acts 7:4	Terah	Abraham	130	2008	1996 BC
Genesis 11:32 And the days of Terah were two hundred and five years : and Terah died in Haran. 12:1 Now the LORD had said unto Abram, Get thee out of thy country, and from thy kindred, and from thy father's house, unto a land that I will shew thee: Genesis 12:4 So Abram departed, as the LORD had spoken unto him; and Lot went with him: and Abram [was] seventy and five years old when he departed out of Haran.					
Acts 7:4 Then came he out of the land of the Chaldaeans, and dwelt in Charran (or Haran): and from thence, when his father was dead, he removed him into this land, wherein ye now dwell,					
Summary: Terah was 205 when Abram was 75 , so Terah was 130 at Abram's birth; 205 - 75 = 130					

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Gen 12:4-5	Abraham	Moved from Haran to Cainan	75	2083	1922 BC
4. So Abram departed, as the LORD had spoken unto him; and Lot went with him: and Abram [was] seventy and five years old when he departed out of Haran. 5. And ... went forth to go into the land of Canaan; and into the land of Canaan they came.					
Gen 12:10, Ex 12:40, Gal 3:17	Moved from Haran to Cainan	Exodus & the Law	430	2513	1491 BC
Genesis 12:10 And there was a famine in the land: and Abram went down into Egypt to sojourn there; for the famine [was] grievous in the land. Exodus 12:40 Now the sojourning of the children of Israel, who dwelt in Egypt, [was] four hundred and thirty years . Note: All Israel was in Abraham when he first sojourned to Egypt. Galatians 3:17 And this I say, [that] the covenant, that was confirmed before of God in Christ, the law, which was four hundred and thirty years after, cannot disannul, that it should make the promise of none effect.					
1 Kings 6:1	Exodus & the Law	Start of Temple	479	2992	1015 BC
And it came to pass in the four hundred and eightieth year (or after 479 years: inductive counting*) after the children of Israel were come out of the land of Egypt, in the fourth year of Solomon's reign over Israel, in the month Zif, which [is] the second month, that he began to build the house of the LORD.					
1 Kings 6:1; 11:42; 12:all	Start of Temple	Division of the Kingdom	37	3029	975 BC
6:1 And it came to pass in the four hundred and eightieth year after the children of Israel were come out of the land of Egypt, in the fourth year (or after 3 years: inductive counting*) of Solomon's reign over Israel, in the month Zif, which [is] the second month, that he began to build the house of the LORD. 11:42 And the time that Solomon reigned in Jerusalem over all Israel [was] forty years . 40-3=37 12:all This Chapter shows that the Solomon's Kingdom split right after he died, thus equating Solomon's death with the Division of the Kingdom.					
Ezekiel 4:4-6	Division of the Kingdom	Destruction of Jerusalem & Temple	389	3418	586 BC
4. Lie thou also upon thy left side, and lay the iniquity of the house of Israel upon it: [according] to the number of the days that thou shalt lie upon it thou shalt bear their iniquity. 5. For I have laid upon thee the years of their iniquity, according to the number of the days, three hundred and ninety days: so shalt thou bear the iniquity of the house of Israel. 6. And when thou hast accomplished them, lie again on thy right side, and thou shalt bear the iniquity of the house of Judah forty days: I have appointed thee each day for a year . Note: Israel had been in sinful rebellion for 390 years: "...the house of Israel, the ten tribes, had borne 390 years (inductively counted* as 389 years) , reckoning from their first apostasy under Jeroboam to the destruction of Jerusalem..." Matthew Henry					
Gregorian Calendar	Destruction of Jerusalem & Temple	BC/AD Division Date	586	4004	0 or the start of 1 AD
The fixed anchor point is 586 B.C for the destruction of Jerusalem and Solomon's Temple. This date synchronizes Biblical and secular history. "Five lunar eclipses, the tombstone inscription of Belshazzar's grandmother (<i>Jones, pp. 194, 238</i>), along with about 30 verified observations of the moon and the then five known planets made in Nebuchadnezzar's 37th year – all occurring within the 130 year span from 621 to 491 BC. (<i>Jones, pp. 238-239</i>) – absolutely fix 586 BC as the year of the fall of Jerusalem. This perfectly fits with the numerical values preserved in slightly over 100 Bible verses (<i>Jones, p. 310</i>). Solomon's Temple was dedicated in 1004 BC, the 3000th year after Creation (<i>Jones, p. 279</i>). Our Lord was born in the 4000th year after the universe was created (<i>Jones, pp. 256, 280</i>)." Jesus' birth was not at the start of 1 AD. It was actually 4 BC. The Calendar is off by four years due to a miscalculation. "In AD 525 Pope John I commissioned Dionysius Exiguus the Little, a Roman abbot, to prepare a standard calendar...He calculated...the birth of Christ about 4 years after the fact (i.e. too late)." (<i>Jones, p. 208</i>) Reference: Dr. Floyd Nolen Jones, <i>The Chronology of the Old Testament</i> , Master Books: 2009 edition.					
Gregorian Calendar	BC/AD Division Date	Last Complete Year	2009	6013	2009 AD
To calculate how long ago the universe was created add 4004 to the last calendar year completed (Inductive counting*). Formula: Last Complete Year + 4004 = Present Age of Universe					

***Inductive counting** results in one less than the number of years sighted. Example: a child in his second (but incomplete) year is counted as a one-year-old. Only a complete year is counted.

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