

### Grades 2-3 · Lesson 17 The Age of the Earth

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Genesis 5:1

#### How Old Is the Earth?

Ve learned from the Bible that the earth s really only about 6,000 years old—NOT villions of years old. Find and circle the vords we used in our lesson today.

> Learn the Word Write the letter "o" in the empty spaces to finish our memory verse.

**Psalm 8:5–6** Yet y\_\_\_\_u have made him a little l\_\_\_\_wer than the heavenly beings and cr\_\_\_wned him with gl\_\_\_ry and h\_\_\_n\_\_r. Y\_\_\_u have given him d\_\_\_\_mini\_\_\_n \_\_\_ver the w\_\_\_rks \_\_\_f y\_\_\_ur hands; y\_\_\_u have put all things under his feet.

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## What You Heard In the Word

- The Bible tells us the age of the earth! We can figure it out through the genealogies in Genesis 5 and 11.
- Radiometric dating is used to date the earth as billions of years old. It is not accurate.

### **OutWord** For Family Discussion

Suppose one of your friends said to you, "I don't remember ever reading anything in the Bible that said the earth is 6,000 years old." **What would you say?** 

The Bible does indicate that the earth is 6,000 years old—but you need to dig a little to get it. God has recorded some very detailed genealogies—or family trees—in the book of Genesis. God gives us the ages of people born from Adam to Abraham—that is a period of about 2,000 years. And more studying shows us that Abraham lived 2,000 years before Jesus. And Jesus was born about 2,000 years ago. It all adds up to 6,000 years!

# **Justin & Jessie**

"Wow! Mr. Johnson's old. I wonder if there were really 100 candles on his cake," said Jessie. "Yeah. He must have been born a long, long time ago. Like maybe when Adam and Eve were living," Justin said.



When the town celebrates Mr. Johnson's 100th birthday, Justin and Jessie find out the Bible tells about some very interesting birthdays, too. Learn all about it in "Mr. Johnson and Methuselah."

Go to **KidsAnswers.org/jj17** to read the rest of the story and print out this week's Justin and Jessie coloring sheet.