

The Flood - Trivia Quiz

- 1) When God sent the Flood, how many people did he save from death?
- 2) Historically speaking, when did the Flood occur?
 - a) 2350 BC
 - b) 4500 BC
 - c) 6000 BC
 - d) 10000 BC
- 3) How old was Noah when he entered the ark?
- 4) What was the estimated population of the earth at the time of the Flood?
 - a) Between 500,000 and 1,000,000
 - b) Between 1,000,000 and 5,000,000
 - c) Between 500,000,000 and 1,000,000,000
 - d) Between 1,000,000,000 and 5,000,000,000
- 5) According to the genealogy in Genesis which reveals the life spans of the Patriarchs from Adam to Noah, which patriarch died in the same year as the Flood?
- 6) According to the Genesis genealogy, how many years passed between the Creation and the Flood (called the First Age)?
 - a) 3525 years
 - b) 1656 years
 - c) 4004 years
 - d) 7582 years
- 7) Based on the research of Bishop Ussher (16th century) and others who have studied genealogical data from the Bible, how old is the earth?
 - a) Many millions of years
 - b) About 10,000 years
 - c) About 6000 years
 - d) About 4000 years
- 8) Did dinosaurs exist during the antediluvian era (before the Flood)?
- 9) Jesus referred to the Flood in Matthew 24, comparing it to the coming of the Last Day. Which apostle (after Jesus' resurrection) compared the Flood to baptism?
- 10) What percentage of Americans today believe the Biblical account of the Flood?
 - a) 20%
 - b) 40%
 - c) 60%
 - d) 80%

Answers and comments to The Flood - Trivia Quiz

- 1) Eight - Noah and his wife, and Noah's three sons (Shem, Ham, and Japheth) and their wives.
- 2) 2350 BC

After the Flood, one researcher calculated the following time periods elapsed during the years before the birth of Christ (BC):

422 years - from the Flood to Abraham's departure from Chaldea
430 years - from Abraham's exit to the year of the Israelites' exodus from Egypt
480 years - from the Exodus to the completion of Solomon's temple
419 years - from the temple's completion to the beginning of the Babylonian captivity
70 years - years of exile in Babylon
483 years - from end of Babylonian captivity to birth of Christ

This calculation totals 2304 years; Ussher's chronology said it was 2349 years; others are all in the same general vicinity of 2350 years.

Generally, the age of the earth has been estimated as about 6000 years: 2000 from Adam to Abraham + 2000 from Abraham to the birth of Christ + 2000 from the birth of Christ to the present.

- 3) Noah was 600 years old when he entered the ark (see Genesis 7:11).
- 4) 1 billion and 5 billion.

It may seem impossible, but given the extended time when women could bear children, it is possible. Many calculations have been done, some claiming that during the age of the patriarchs women might have been capable of bearing children for 400 years or more (for example, even though the ages of the women at the time they had children are generally not revealed, the men's age are: e.g., Enoch "begat" Methuselah at age 65; and Noah had his sons at age 500!). One researcher conservatively estimated that the average family could have been 18-20 children. We can do the math (Rehwinkle did!) and see that a population of much more than one billion is not only plausible, but probable. Dr. E. A. Ross of the University of Michigan, an authority on population in the middle years of the 20th century (when the earth's population was about 2.5 billion), claimed that the population would triple by 2023 (in roughly three generations). Today's earth population is estimated at over 8 billion - over three times as much as in 1950. And this growth happened during a historical time period when the average family has far fewer than 18-20 children.

- 5) Methuselah died at age 969 in the year of the Flood. It's also interesting to note that Lamech, Methuselah's son, died five years before the Flood at age 777.
- 6) According to the years given in Genesis, 1656 years passed. Some skeptics say that the day of the Creation should be considered longer time periods because the Bible says "With the Lord a day is like a thousand years ..." Some have used this to justify their belief in much longer periods of time, like millions of years. We must hold to the belief that each day of the Creation was a 24 hour day. After each day of the Creation, Genesis 1 says, "And there was evening and there was morning ..." (see Genesis 1:5,8,13,19,23, and 31).
- 7) About 6000 years.
- 8) Fossil evidence indicates with little doubt that dinosaurs existed.
- 9) Peter (see 2 Peter 3:5-7).
- 10) In 2003 the number was 60% and declining rapidly, according to Gallup analytics; however, fewer than 40% believe in the Genesis account of creation, and only 20% believe the Bible is inerrant.