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Did Adam and Noah Live with Dinosaurs?



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Did you know that we have a written record of the history of the universe, past, present, and future, from someone who sees and knows EVERYTHING?

The infinite Creator of the universe made sure that all the most important events of history were recorded in a special series of books that together make up one book, the Bible. In fact, we could call the Bible *The History Book of the Universe*. It is the ONLY 100 percent accurate history book in the world! Using the Bible, we can actually read about the past (that enables us to correctly understand what we observe in the present in this world), and the future!

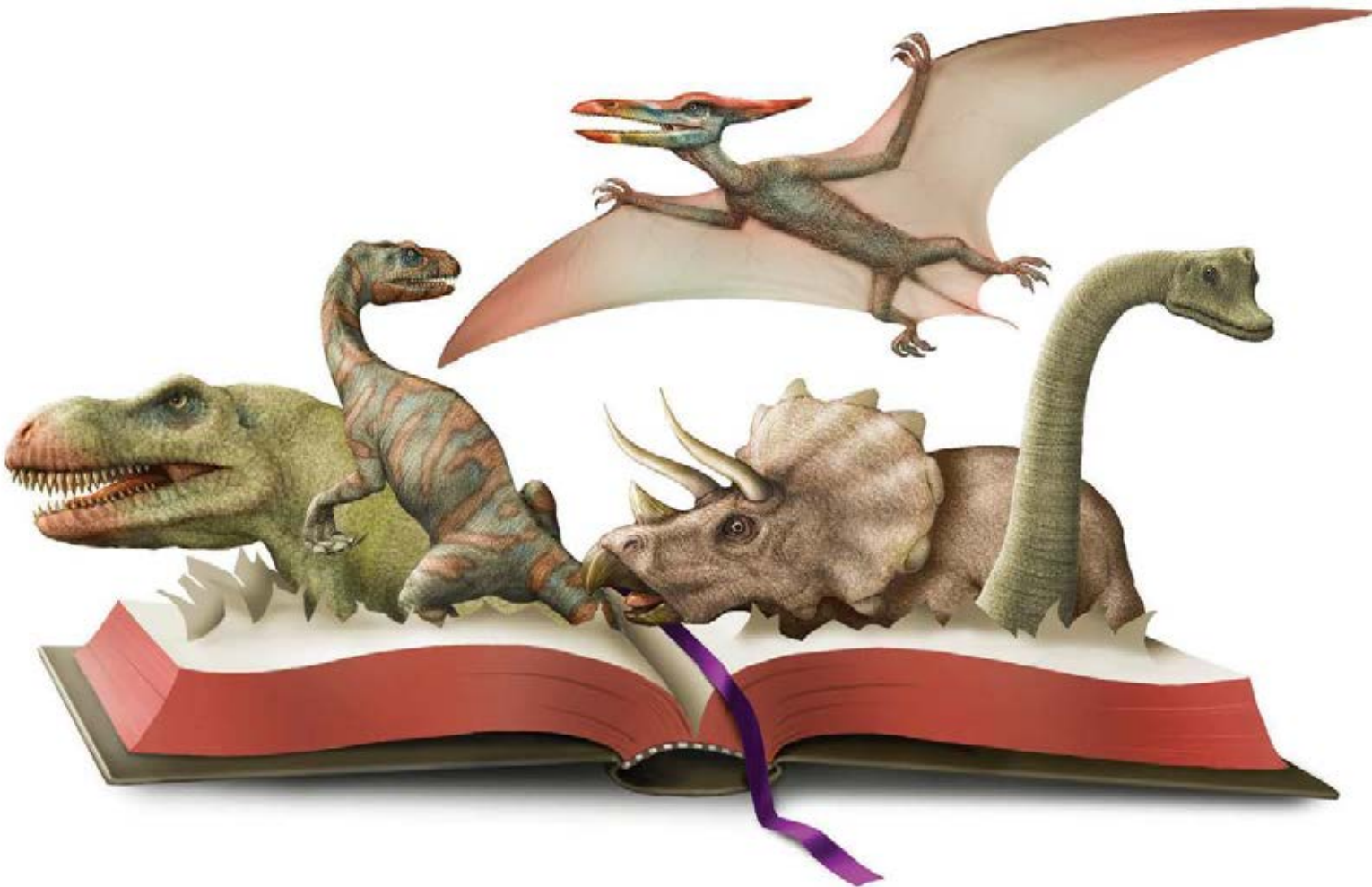
You are going to learn how *The History Book of the Universe* (the Bible) enables us to understand all about dinosaurs: when they lived, what they ate, why we find their bones, what happened to them, and much more!

Before you read on, look up the following verses in the Bible that will help you understand that the Bible really is very special. It IS the Word of God, who ALWAYS tells the truth, and who has always existed. Studying God's Word is the only way we will know the truth about the past concerning dinosaurs.



Bible Memory Verse

1 Thessalonians 2:13;
 2 Peter 1:19–21
 2 Timothy 3:14–16
 Psalm 119:160
 Proverbs 30:5–6
 Hebrews 4:12
 2 Timothy 2:15



What do these verses have to do with creatures like a Dilophosaurus or Cryolophosaurus?



Bible Memory Verse

All Scripture is breathed out by God and profitable for teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness.

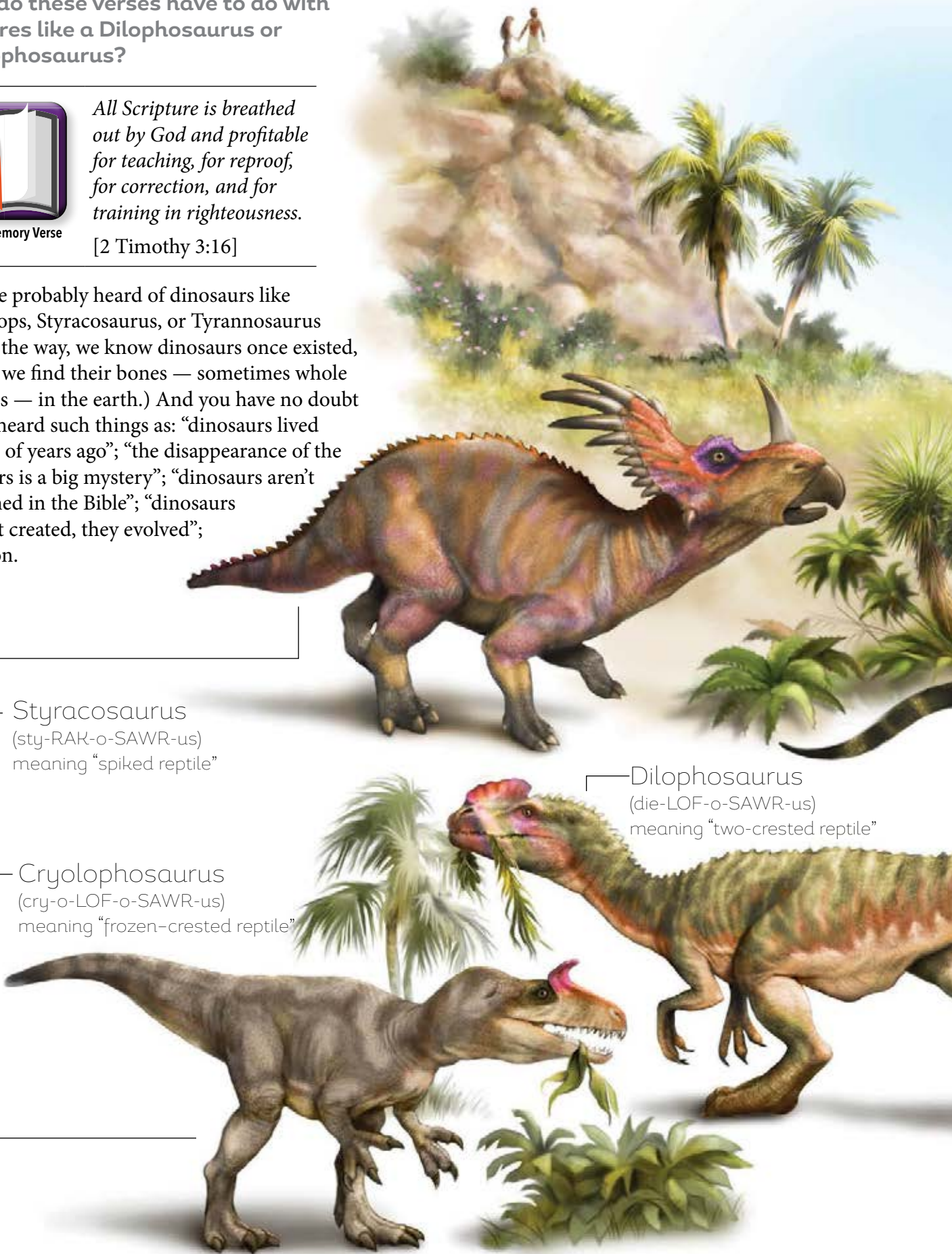
[2 Timothy 3:16]

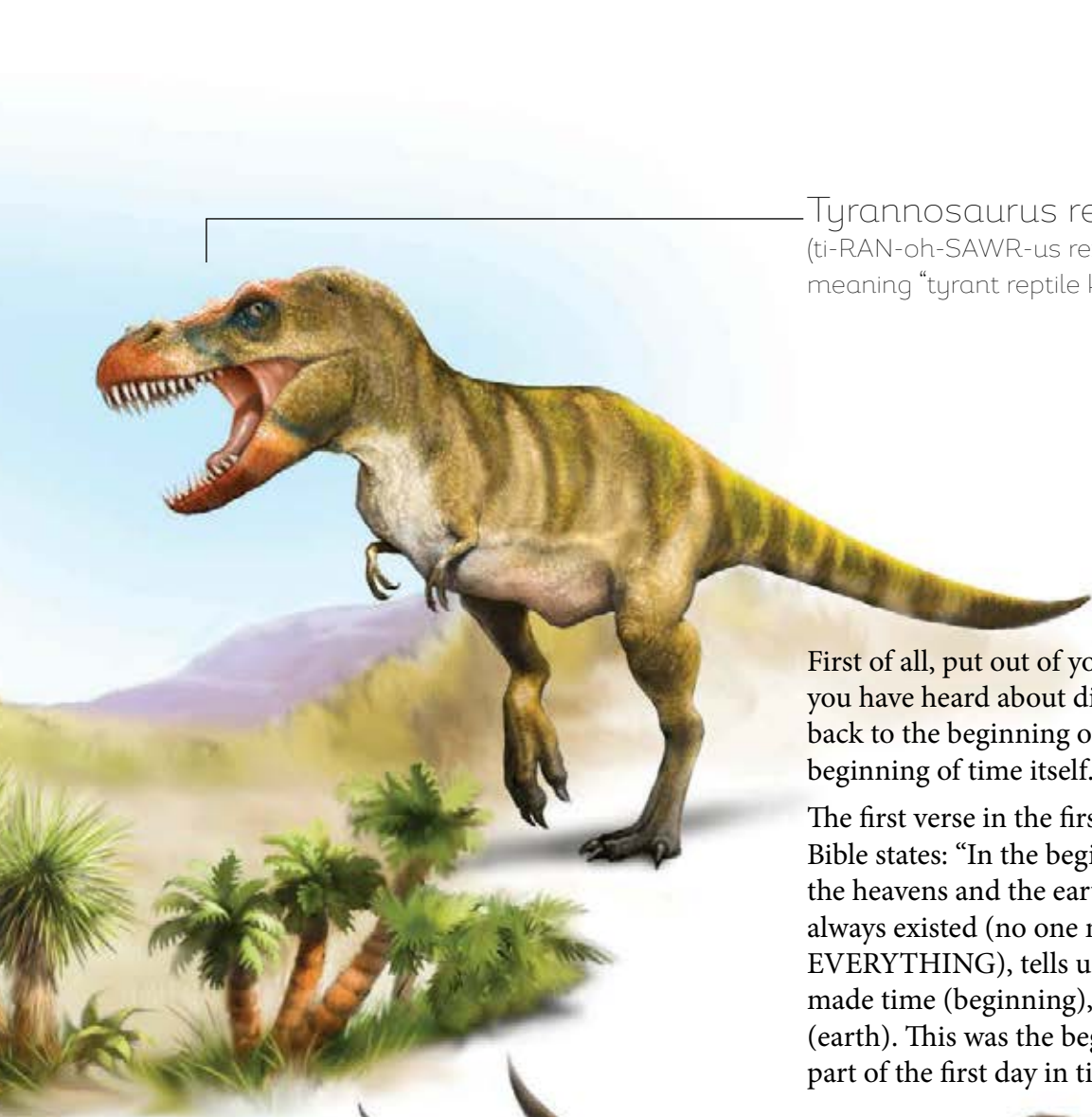
You have probably heard of dinosaurs like Triceratops, Styracosaurus, or Tyrannosaurus rex. (By the way, we know dinosaurs once existed, because we find their bones — sometimes whole skeletons — in the earth.) And you have no doubt read or heard such things as: “dinosaurs lived millions of years ago”; “the disappearance of the dinosaurs is a big mystery”; “dinosaurs aren’t mentioned in the Bible”; “dinosaurs were not created, they evolved”; and so on.

Styracosaurus
(sty-RAK-o-SAWR-us)
meaning “spiked reptile”

Cryolophosaurus
(cry-o-LOF-o-SAWR-us)
meaning “frozen-crested reptile”

Dilophosaurus
(die-LOF-o-SAWR-us)
meaning “two-crested reptile”

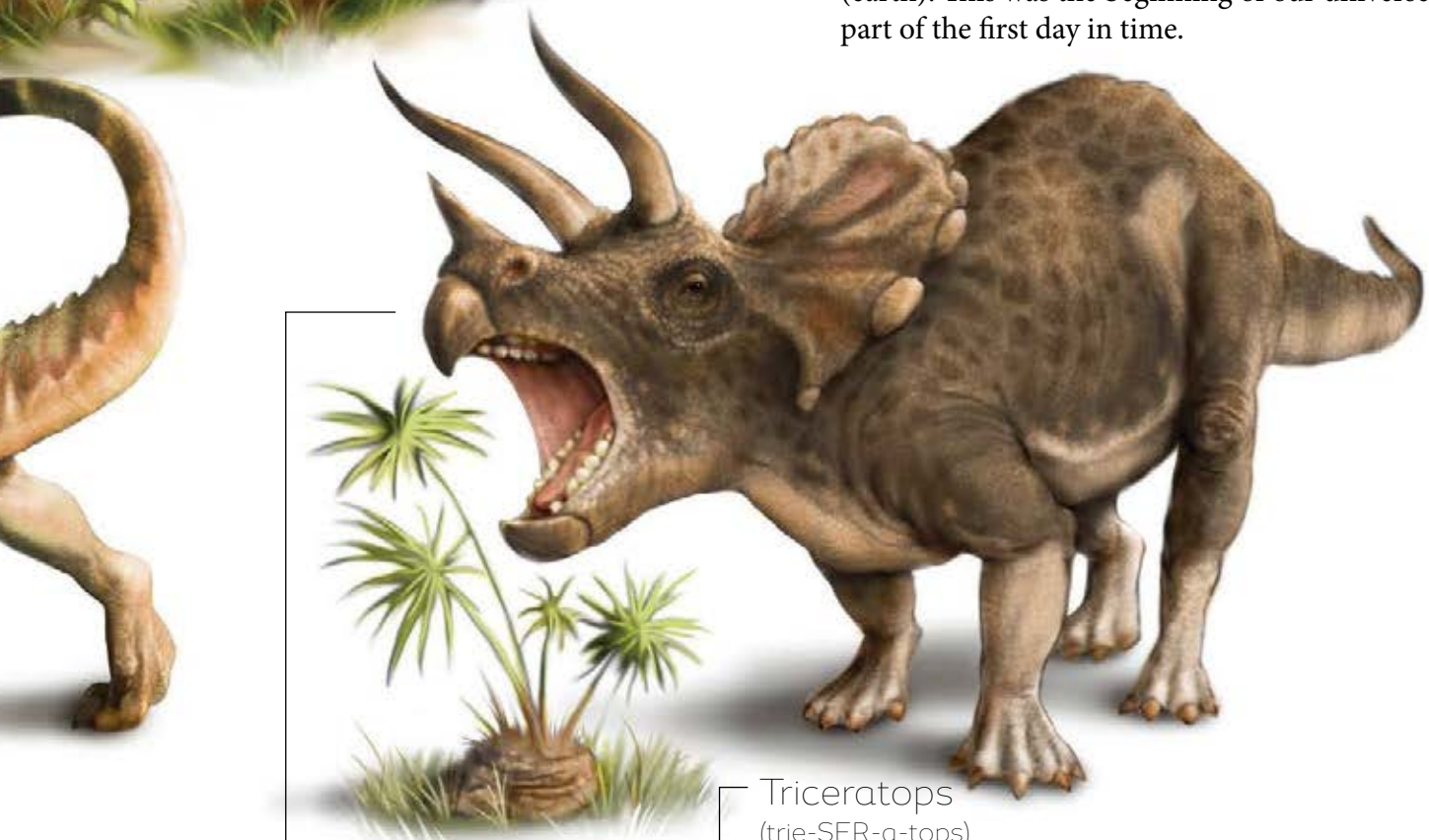




Tyrannosaurus rex
(ti-RAN-oh-SAWR-us rex)
meaning “tyrant reptile king”

First of all, put out of your mind all these ideas you have heard about dinosaurs. Instead, let’s look back to the beginning of history, and even to the beginning of time itself.

The first verse in the first book (Genesis) of the Bible states: “In the beginning, God created the heavens and the earth.” God, who has always existed (no one made God, for He made EVERYTHING), tells us in this first verse that He made time (beginning), space (heaven), and matter (earth). This was the beginning of our universe, all part of the first day in time.



Triceratops
(trie-SER-a-tops)
meaning “three-horned face”

As you read the first chapter of Genesis, you discover that God gives us a summary of what happened on each of the six days of Creation.

Day 1		time, space, Earth, light;
Day 2		atmosphere;
Day 3		the dry land appeared and God made the plants;
Day 4		God created the sun, moon, and stars;
Day 5		God created the sea creatures and the flying creatures;
Day 6		God created the land animals and the first two people — Adam and Eve.

By the way, some people think that the six days of Creation were not ordinary days as we know them, but were long periods of time. However, the Hebrew word for “day” (yom) always means an ordinary day when it is used with the words “evening” or “morning” or used with a number. When you read Genesis 1, you will see that the word “day” is used with “evening,” “morning,” and a number for each of the six days. This means they must have been ORDINARY days as we know them. They were not long periods or millions of years.

Let's read Exodus 20:11:

For in six days the LORD made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that is in them, and rested on the seventh day. Therefore the LORD blessed the Sabbath day and made it holy.

This is part of the Ten Commandments that God himself wrote on stone (Exodus 31:18). This verse tells us why we have a seven-day week: God worked for six days (when He created everything) and rested for one. This is where our seven-day week comes from! If God created everything in six long periods (or millions of years), our week would be millions of years long! That wouldn't make any sense whatsoever.

Now you might be saying, “What has all this got to do with dinosaurs?”



Bible Memory Verse

And he gave to Moses, when he had finished speaking with him on Mount Sinai, the two tablets of the testimony, tablets of stone, written with the finger of God.

[Exodus 31:18]

In the Bible, in the Book of Colossians, we read that God (through His Son, Jesus Christ) created EVERYTHING:

For by him all things were created, in heaven and on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or authorities—all things were created through him and for him

[Colossians 1:16].

We know that dinosaurs once existed on Earth (we find their bones, which we will discuss later), so God must have created dinosaurs. An Englishman, Sir Richard Owen, invented the word “dinosaur” in 1841. He had the bones of two creatures called Iguanodon and Megalosaurus, and he realized these were from a group of animals different from any other group he had studied. Owen recognized that they needed a special name. As these bones came from very large types of reptiles that lived on the land, he made up the word “dinosaur,” which means “terrible lizard.”

So the word “dinosaurs” refers to a special group of reptiles that lived on the land. Now, on what day did God make the land animals? Day 6 of the Creation week. Since God created everything, and since He created land animals on Day 6 (an ordinary day) — and dinosaurs were land animals — then dinosaurs were made on the sixth day of Creation!



Bible Memory Verse

God is not man, that he should lie.

[Numbers 23:19]

And God said, “Let the earth bring forth living creatures according to their kinds—livestock and creeping things and beasts of the earth according to their kinds.” And it was so (Genesis 1:24).

But that’s not all God did on Day 6. Genesis 1:27 states:

So God created man in his own image, in the image of God he created him; male and female he created them.

The first two people, Adam and Eve, were ALSO made on the sixth day of Creation.

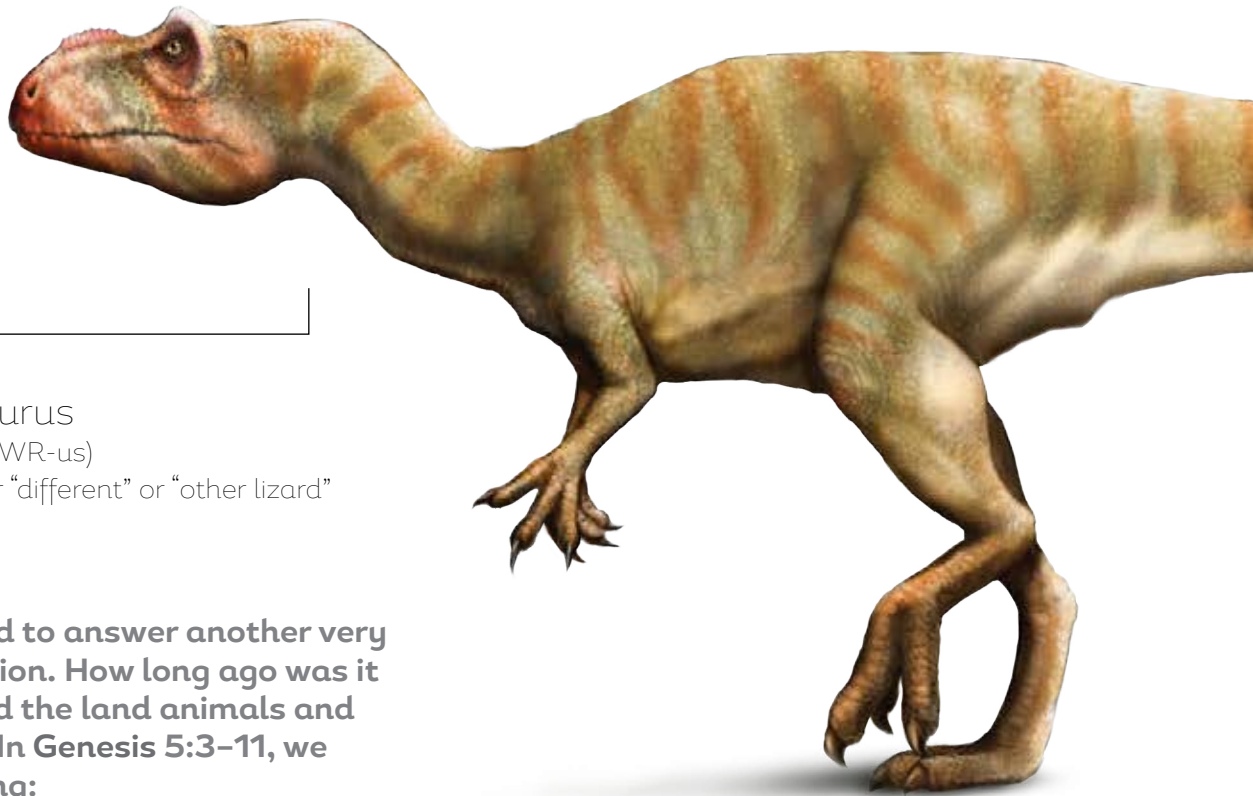
Do you know what this means? We can say 100 percent, absolutely for sure, that people lived with dinosaurs! The reason we can be so sure is that God, who doesn’t tell a lie, told us in His Word that land animals and Adam and Eve were made on the sixth day of Creation!



Sir Richard Owen, famed anatomist and founder of the British Museum of Natural History, originated the name Dinosauria.



Based upon the few fossil remains of Iguanodon found at first, Sir Richard Owen mistakenly placed a thumb spike on its snout in an early reconstruction.



Allosaurus

(Al-lo-SAWR-us)

Greek for “different” or “other lizard”

And now we need to answer another very important question. How long ago was it that God created the land animals and Adam and Eve? In Genesis 5:3–11, we read the following:

When Adam had lived 130 years, he fathered a son in his own likeness, after his image, and named him Seth. The days of Adam after he fathered Seth were 800 years; and he had other sons and daughters. Thus all the days that Adam lived were 930 years, and he died. When Seth had lived 105 years, he fathered Enosh. Seth lived after he fathered Enosh 807 years and had other sons and daughters. Thus all the days of Seth were 912 years, and he died. When Enosh had lived 90 years, he fathered Kenan. Enosh lived after he fathered Kenan 815 years and had other sons and daughters. Thus all the days of Enosh were 905 years, and he died.

Have you ever wondered why lists like this, that tell us about when people had children and when they died, are all through the Bible? God did this so we could trace the history of the world back to the beginning! When we add up all these dates, and the dates of other events given in the Bible, we find that God created the universe around 6,000 years ago.

This means that Adam and Eve and the dinosaurs were also created about 6,000 years ago!



Allosaurus was a typical large theropod, having a massive skull on a short neck.



Bible Memory Verse

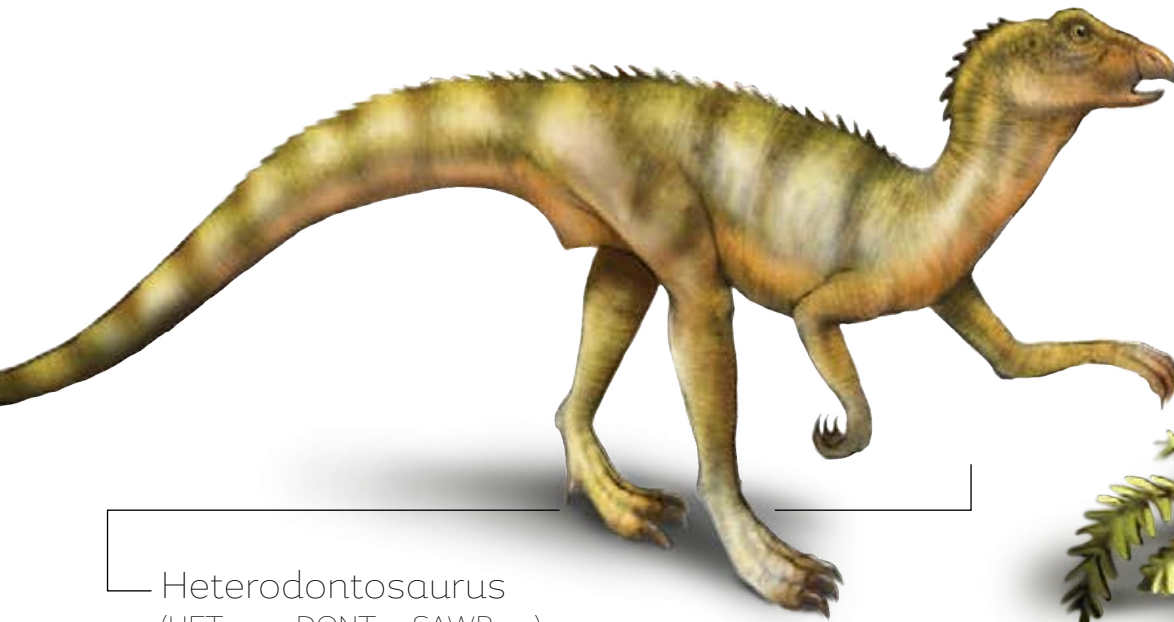
Where were you when I laid the foundation of the earth? Tell me, if you have understanding.

[Job 38:4]

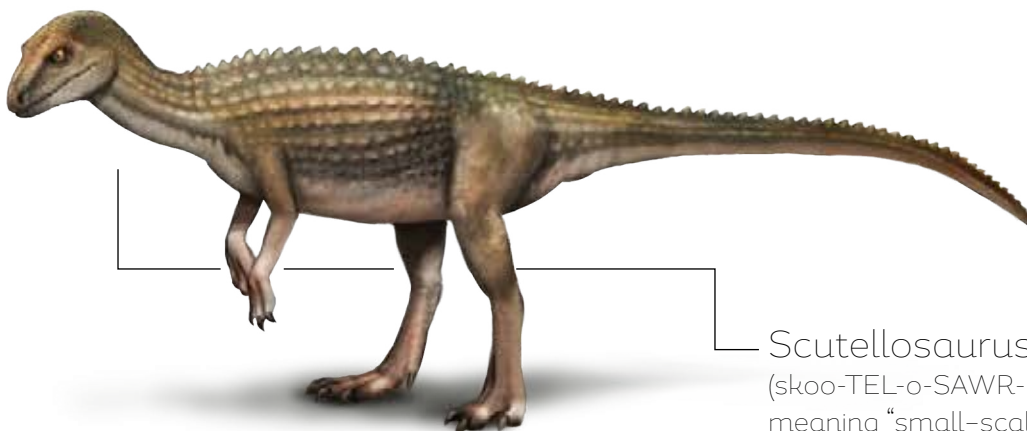


This is a totally different view of history from the one we usually see on television, read in newspapers, or hear in almost all schools. Most of us are constantly bombarded with the idea that dinosaurs lived millions of years before people. Later, we will see why this evolutionary view of history is not correct. When we believe God, who was there, then we realize that dinosaurs and people first came into existence only thousands of years ago.

Why then do we not find the word “dinosaur” in the Bible?



Heterodontosaurus
(HET-er-o-DONT-o-SAWR-us)
meaning “reptile with different teeth”



Scutellosaurus
(skoo-TEL-o-SAWR-us)
meaning “small-scaled reptile”

As we said earlier, the word “dinosaur” was not coined until 1841. You might be wondering: What were dinosaurs called before the word was invented? It is interesting to note that the word “dragon” occurs a number of times in the Old Testament in some older translations. When you replace it with the word “dinosaur” (except for dragons that lived in the sea), it seems to fit very nicely in most instances. The word “dinosaur” only refers to a group of animals that lived on the land!

We have all heard of the word “dragon,” and you might be familiar with dragon legends from around the world. For instance, some legends tell us the Chinese people bred dragons. Many of the descriptions of these “dragons” really do fit the descriptions of some of the dinosaurs we all know about.

In a glass case in the British Museum in London, there is a very old history book, the *Anglo-Saxon Chronicles*, which records events that occurred nearly 1,000 years ago. In this book there are accounts of dragons that lived alongside people. The fascinating thing is that the descriptions of these dragons fit the descriptions of some dinosaurs.





Iguanodon
(i-GWAHN-o-don),
meaning "iguana tooth,"
was the second dinosaur
to be named scientifically



The country of Wales has a picture of a dragon on its flag. Maybe the story about St. George fighting a dragon is really an account of a fight with a dinosaur. So some dragons were most likely what we call dinosaurs today!

Baryonyx
(BAR-ee-ON-icks)
meaning "heavy claw"



Bible Memory Verse

*It is better to take refuge
in the LORD than to
trust in man.*

[Psalm 118:8]

Did dragons only live on the land?

There is something else about dragons that is important to understand. Look at the following Bible passages:

... *and he will slay the dragon that is in the sea* [Isaiah 27:1].

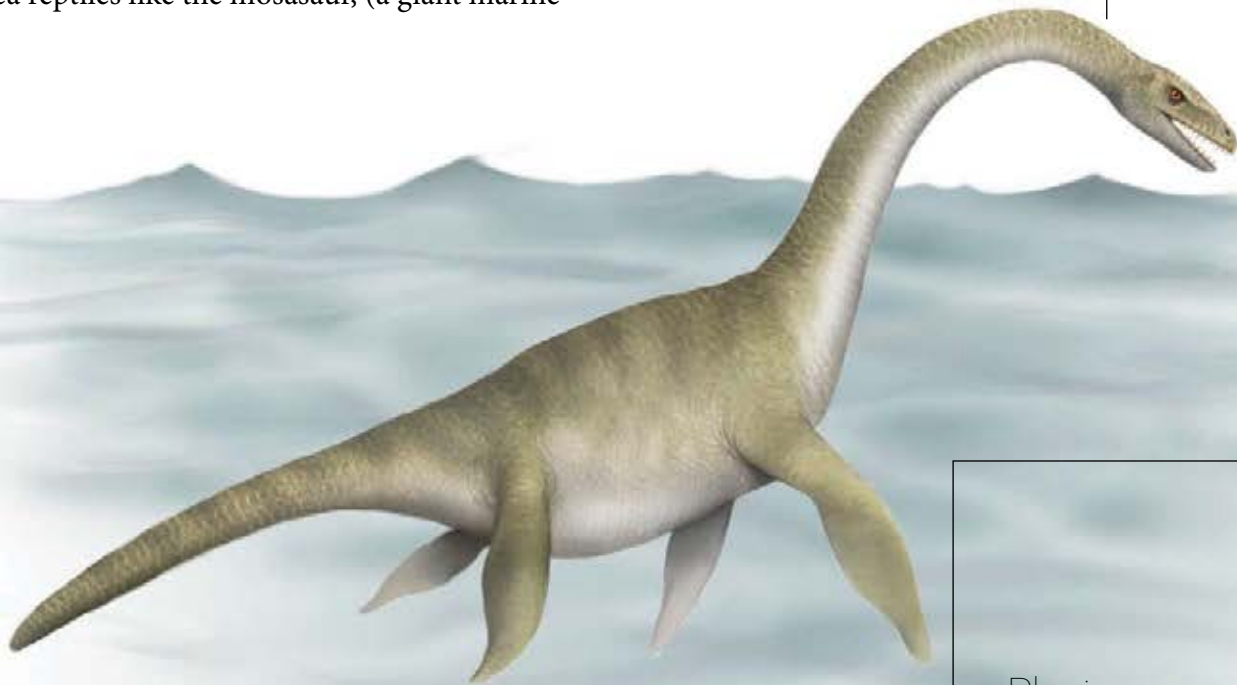
... *you broke the heads of the sea monsters on the waters* [Psalm 74:13].

What were these dragons and sea monsters that lived in the water? They were probably the great sea reptiles like the mosasaur, (a giant marine

version of the monitor lizard,) the thalattosuchian (a kind of sea crocodile), the Plesiosaurus or the huge Kronosaurus. These are NOT dinosaurs — the word *dinosaur* is used for the particular group of reptiles that lived on the land and walked with their legs under their bodies.

The Bible even talks about creatures that were possibly reptiles that flew in the air:

... *and the flying fiery serpent* [Isaiah 30:6].



Plesiosaurus
(PLEE-zee-uh-SAWR-us)
meaning "near reptile"

Kronosaurus
(KRO-nuh-SAWR-us)
meaning "time reptile"

