

**Scriptures and Doctrine :: Dino's****Dino's - posted by lovegrace, on: 2007/3/13 17:02**

Awesome! I was just simply gonna ask about Dino's and I looked on SI and it has some material on it, Praise God!!!

But, I'm still gonna ask the question.

How do Dino's line up with SCIENTIFIC fact?

Please, keep in mind, the reader (me!), isn't too bright. I won't understand greek or the scientific jargon. So PLEASE..... use your scientific jargon but DUMB IT DOWN for me.

Thanks.

Re: Dino's - posted by jordanamo, on: 2007/3/13 17:27

What?! I don't know what you're asking. They line up with "scientific fact" insofar as there are fossils, aka. bones, of these "reptiles" in the ground.

What do you want to know? About Dinosaurs and their place in history? I honestly don't know. Most "creationists" propose they were around before the flood, and thus the flood made them "fossilized" or whatever. I don't know. Imagining velociraptors roaming around with man is hard to imagine. Some think God put all those fossils there to "test" us-- nonsense, I would suppose.

So, I don't really know. The Bible doesn't tell us much about them or their place in the plan of God.

Why even create the dinosaurs? It seems absurd almost. What were God's thoughts upon doing so? Most of the animals around now I can see why, but, dinosaurs? Their huge! Hah.

Jordan

Re: - posted by jordanamo, on: 2007/3/13 17:44

Maybe, they are God's response to the Fall. This isn't mentioned in the Bible, but it is something to think of. He cursed the ground and presumably the animals etc., and Man. . .

What if somehow Dinosaurs started roaming the Earth then? Like, as a response to the Fall, Dinosaurs came about. They are pretty nasty animals insofar as what they are capable of. And they would make Man pretty tremble-some and weary-some.. knowing all these reptile-animals are roaming around. I'm sure God was able to keep them safe from them, but just so they could live in remembrance maybe of what happened with Adam.

And with the Flood, God wanted to start back clean with what was originally there insofar as animals, before the Fall.

Haven't heard this expounded upon, but seems logical to me. Anyone else got any ideas?

Jordan

Re: Dino's - posted by ginnyrose (), on: 2007/3/13 22:24

Have you checked out this site? <http://www.icr.org/articles/>

This is the website for Institute for Creation Research. They have a ton of interesting articles to read....have fun!

ginnyrose

Re: dinosaurs - posted by JennRich (), on: 2007/3/14 0:13

Also, here is an *excellent* article explaining all kinds of stuff about dinosaurs. And it's so much more logical-sounding than anything I ever heard in secular science classes. . .

"How do dinosaurs fit in the Bible?" by Ken Ham (of Answers in Genesis):

<http://www.answersingenesis.org/docs/2.asp>

Re: Dino's - posted by HomeFree89 (), on: 2007/3/14 15:08

Quote:

lovegrace wrote:

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How do Dino's line up with SCIENTIFIC fact?

Not sure what you what to know, but here's some verses that talk about dinosaurs.

"Behold now behemoth, which I made with thee; he eateth grass as an ox. Lo now, his strength is in his loins, and his force is in the navel of his belly. He moveth his tail like a cedar: the sinews of his stones are wrapped together. His bones are as strong pieces of brass; his bones are like bars of iron. He is the chief of the ways of God: he that made him can make his sword to approach unto him. Surely the mountains bring him forth food, where all the beasts of the field play. He lieth under the shady trees, in the covert of the reed, and fens. The shady trees cover him with their shadow; the willows of the brook compass him about. Behold, he drinketh up a river, and hasteth not: he trusteth that he can draw up Jordan into his mouth. He taketh it with his eyes: his nose pierceth through snares." - Job 40:15-24

Don't let people tell you that the behemoth is a hippo or elephant. Just look at the verse about his tail, I have yet to see a hippo or elephant with a tail like that. :-D

Jordan

Re: - posted by polo247uk (), on: 2007/3/14 16:04

I found Kent Hovind very good and easy to follow

<http://www.sermonindex.net/modules/mydownloads/viewcat.php?cid=337>

Re: - posted by letsgetbusy (), on: 2007/3/15 22:12

Dinosaurs were created with all the other animals during the first six days. Behemoth and Leviathan, from the book of Job clearly fall into this category of today's dinosaur.

You may hear that Job is a parable, but Ezekiel clearly shows that Job, along with Daniel and Noah, was a true to life man:

Ezekiel 14:

13a:Son of man, when the land sinneth against me by trespassing grievously, then will I stretch out mine hand upon it

14: Though these three men, Noah, Daniel, and Job, were in it, they should deliver but their own souls by their righteousness, saith the Lord GOD.

18a: Though these three men were in it, as I live, saith the Lord GOD

20a: Though Noah, Daniel, and Job, were in it, as I live, saith the Lord GOD

...interesting is that all three men; Job, Daniel, and Noah, all saw dinosaurs with their own eyes:

---NOAH---

Gen 6:18-19 thou shalt come into the ark, thou, and thy sons, and thy wife, and thy sons' wives with thee. And of every living thing of all flesh

---JOB---

Job 40:15a Behold now behemoth, which I made with thee

Job 41:1a Canst thou draw out leviathan with an hook?

---DANIEL---

non-canonical book of Bel and the Dragon 26-27 But give me leave, O king, and I shall slay this dragon without sword or staff. The king said, I give thee leave. Then Daniel took pitch, and fat, and hair, and did seethe them together, and made lumps thereof: this he put in the dragon's mouth, and so the dragon burst in sunder : and Daniel said, Lo, these are the gods ye worship.

Re: - posted by jordanamo, on: 2007/3/16 0:26

I'm still having a hard time imagining people co-existing with dinosaurs.

Sure, we've "co-existed" with animals such as lions, tigers, and bears (oh my! hehe) but those are nothing compared to dinosaurs.

All I've seen are scripture references... no discussion on the actual implications of dinosaurs having co-existed with man.

So, does anyone care to offer some "insight" into this seemingly absurd notion? Why did God even create such abnormal, disproportionate (comparatively!), almost "super," grotesque creatures?

Also, why are the Dinosaurs not around anymore?

That Ken Ham article didn't really answer any of my thoughts or questions concerning the matter.

Jordan

Re: foundations - posted by ChrisJD (), on: 2007/3/16 6:11

Hi everyone.

Jordan,

"I'm still having a hard time imagining people co-existing with dinosaurs."

I can understand that.

I think something that gives us trouble with this is the way in which the secular media and education have informed and formed our views in so many ways.

For instance, it might seem like it to them that *all things continue as they were from the beginning of the creation*, or, as it may apply here, to say that *this is the way things have always been*. But it isn't so.

We know from scripture that God works in history and has intervened in history, for example. **The present is not the key to the past.** So we can't assume anything about what these creatures were like in the original creation, except what the Bible hints at or tells us clearly.

The scripture claims to be the eyewitness testimony of God. What we are shown in the media and in text books, with computer assisted animations and high quality graphics and drawings, no matter how impressive, are still going from the assumptions and speculations of fallen men, and even those of people that hate God and despise His word, you know?

I can empathise with you in this Jordan. After I was converted I really struggled with trying to understand what I had been taught with what I read in the Bible. I remember one night reading in Genesis and feeling so conflicted. I remember saying in my heart to God something like 'God, I just don't understand this, I just want to know the truth, whatever it is.' The things I was reading in Genesis just did not match what I believed from being taught in public schools.

Well, soon after this I was looking around on the web and *happened* upon a link to an article from Answersingenesis that was refuting some claims about Noah's Ark being found. At first I thought, hey...why are you trying to disprove this..isn't this supporting the Bible? But after I kept looking around the site, I realised they were just answering with integrity and truthfulness.

And the more I looked around, the more I found answers to all those questions I had. :-)

I wish you well in this,

Chris

Re: - posted by letsgetbusy (), on: 2007/3/17 1:27

We can discuss dino's co-existing with man. I just wanted to put out there what the Scripture references are, as the Bible points to where are focus should be.

"I'm still having a hard time imagining people co-existing with dinosaurs."

The reason we tend to have a hard time imagining man and dino's together is that we have been programmed to think otherwise. Revelation says that Satan deceives the whole world. One way is for him to confuse the foundation of the world, and the foundation of our faith. Every children's book about dino's starts off, "millions of years ago"...in others words saying, 'long before man was here'. The Bible says that everything was created in 6 days.

"Why did God even create such abnormal, disproportionate (comparatively!), almost "super," grotesque creatures?"

Dinos are overgrown reptiles. Fossils of many, many types of animals and plants that are many times larger than we see today have been found. Just type in "gigantic _____ fossil" in a search and you will find that giant animal bones and giant plant and animal fossils are common.

Seagull-sized dragonfly: <http://www.nick-lane.net/Extract%20chapter%205.html>

10 foot tall predatory bird: <http://www.npr.org/templates/story/story.php?storyId=6381194>

7 foot rodent: <http://www.npr.org/templates/story/story.php?storyId=1435280>

Debated by scientific scholars, is the difference with reptiles, in that may have grown their entire lives:

"Alligators and many other reptiles don't have such a big initial spurt. Instead, they grow slowly for their entire lives": Part 2; <http://discovermagazine.com/2005/apr/cover>

"Goodwin's conclusions about the lifelong growth of Triceratops will be published later this year": http://www.berkeley.edu/news/media/releases/2006/03/06_triceratops.shtml

"What is above all astonishing is that all the other dinosaurs seemed to show very steady growth.": <http://www.astrobio.net/news/article1811.html>

By the way, I filter all of the evolutionary junk from their research, taking out their assumptions, and just listen for the findings. They make good observations, and we should listen to what they are, without swallowing the evolutionary conclusion.

"Also, why are the Dinosaurs not around anymore?"

This is also a hot debate. Some say that many are still alive, ie: smaller ones, Loch Ness, Lake Champlaine, etc. Some say they were all killed. The Bible says of Behemoth: "he that made him can make his sword to approach unto him." The killing of the great lizards could be a foreshadowing of the fall of "the dragon" from Revelation.

One of the interesting things with the dinosaur, or dragon, is that around the globe, many tribes and tongues have carved and drawn similar images of large reptiles:

<http://cellar.org/iotd.php?threadid=12909>

<http://www.answersingenesis.org/Home/Area/AnswersBook/images/19DinoOnRock.jpg>

<http://www.answersingenesis.org/creation/v25/i4/bishop.asp>

Re: - posted by free2bee63 (), on: 2007/3/17 1:32

The Bible doesn't say everything was created in 6 days. Genesis chapter 1.

Re: - posted by enid, on: 2007/3/17 5:11

Quote: There is something wrong with you whenever you quarrel with the word of God.

Charles Haddon Spurgeon.

Re: - posted by free2bee63 (), on: 2007/3/17 20:06

Quote: "Be fruitful, and multiply, and *replenish* the earth...."

God

Gen 1:28

How come there are two different creation stories; one in Gen 1 and another in Gen 2? Man was *created* in Gen 1 after beast, and man was *formed* in Gen 2 before beast.

Re: - posted by ChrisJD (), on: 2007/3/17 20:37

Hi free2bee63.

About Genesis chapter one and two. I can remember having some questions about this also.

I've come to believe that they are talking about the same events though. One reason for this is that I believe the Lord Jesus combines Genesis 1:27 and Genesis 2:24 together into one event, where He says

...from the beginning of the creation God made them male and female. For this cause shall a man leave his father and mother, and cleave to his wife; And they twain shall be one flesh: so then they are no more twain, but one flesh. Mark 10:6-8

Hope this is helpfull,

Chris

EDIT: when I say *one event* I mean these things, the creation of man and woman and the whole creation for that matter, and the *marriage* or bringing together of Adam and Eve appear very closely related in time, where the Lord Jesus says ..
.from the beginning.

Re: - posted by free2bee63 (), on: 2007/3/19 12:06

Thanks ChrisJD

I've never noticed that in Mark 10.

Re: - posted by lovegrace, on: 2007/4/7 13:30

Does any one know any good resources (audio/video wise) from SI or any other Sermon Database?

I'm looking for teachings on Creation vs. Evolution (stressing the Creation side, of course).

So far, I have audio from these people:

John Murray

Dr. A-E Wilder-Smith

Welcome Detweiler

Kent Hovind

I've looked a little on Answers in Genesis but they only have 1 min 30 second clips of short answers. I'm looking for more.

Are there any other downloadable teachings on SI or any other website?

Re: Two accounts of Creation???, on: 2007/4/7 15:40

Quote:

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Gen 1:28

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I was taught to write essays with an introduction, then the body of the essay, then a conclusion. Sermons are the same. "Say what your going to say. Say it. Then say that you've said it!"

Genesis 1 to chapter 2:4 gives an introductory summary of the process of Creation, while the next section goes into more detail on the specific aspect of creation of mankind. The first section ends with a concluding sentence, (or maybe this is the beginning of the next section) "This is the history of the heavens and the earth when they were created"

Good literary style!

You also said:

Quote:

-----Man was *created* in Gen 1 after beast, and man was *formed* in Gen 2 before beast.

Oh, you mean verse 19? "Out of the ground the Lord God formed every beast of the field and every bird of the air, and brought them to Adam to see what he would call them"

I don't know much Hebrew, but understand that the tenses are not mainly to do with time. In fact the word "formed" seems to be "future" tense, describing a *process*, whether past, present or future.

We really need some Hebrew scholars on this detail, but I'm almost certain this is a reasonable explanation.

Anyway, this part of the account has nothing to do with *when* the beasts were created. The emphasis is on the fact that Adam was to name them.

Hope that helps.

jeannette

Re:, on: 2007/4/7 15:43

Quote:

-----free2bee63 wrote:

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Have I missed something here? :-? Unless you have a different Bible that's exactly what it does say!

Doesn't it????

Jeannette

Re: Behemoth and co, at a cave near you?, on: 2007/4/7 15:56

As others have said, there is evidence that dinosaurs existed in historical times. Such as tales of knights of old fighting "dragons". There are even pictures engraved on the tomb of a 15th Century bishop that closely resemble a kind of dinosaur (they look like sauropods, the massive plant-eating creature with a tiny head, and long neck and tail, that had a "brain" above its hind legs, apparently to work the rear end, because the real brain, in its head, was too small to do the job!) Wish I could post the picture (don't think we're allowed, are we?) but here's the link, fascinating!
<http://www.creationontheweb.com/content/view/133>

The engravings are unlike any creature known today. They are even shown standing with tail held off the ground. Until recently modern scientists thought they dragged their tails behind them, so these 15th Century pictures, if truly representing dinosaurs, are more accurate!

I can easily imagine dinosaurs co-existing with Man before the Fall, because all animals were plant-eating to begin with, and man had authority over them all, so they wouldn't have attacked anyone. The only danger would have been if a large one stepped on you by mistake!

I love the thought of having a pet dinosaur (as in the Flintstones!) or maybe a small pterodactyl, (could some of them mimic speech like parrots perhaps???) trained to fly to the wrist like a falcon. Cool :-D

Probably some dinosaurs, as well as man, only began to eat meat after the Flood. Many plants would have been destroyed or become genetically and nutritionally poorer, so meat eating would have been almost essential for animals lacking special plant digesting powers (a cow has a special stomach to digest grass, while a panda, which is more of a meat eating kind, has to eat bamboo almost non stop to get enough nourishment!)

I was watching a wildlife programme about the Antarctic, where there is a kind of DUCK that eats carrion! Simply because there isn't any other kind of food around most of the time, so it has to.

The large to medium sized carnivorous dinosaurs would have been far too dangerous for man to leave alone, so no wonder they became extinct - probably hunted to death by "dragon slayers". After all, African pygmies used to (maybe still do) hunt and kill elephants, so why not large dinosaurs? Size would be no match for man's ingenuity.

Blessings

Jeannette

Re: - posted by lovegrace, on: 2007/4/7 16:16

When reading the bible, you should also keep in mind it wasn't written by an American or Greco-Roman but instead a Jew/Hebrew from the Orient. Two entirely different thought-processes.

Why do you think that the gospels don't have everything in chronological order? Cause they focused on the events, not the timeline of the events.

Genesis is the same way. So is Revelation. 2 Samuel isn't in chronological order either.

It's not that one or the other is right (referring to the thought processes: Greco-Roman or Orient) but that they are different.

In seminary you learn that this is called 'Block logic' or 'Hebrew logic' when it's rooted from people that are in Asian cultures, or the 'Orient'.

So, step 1 comes before step 2 is the Greco-Roman thought. And walking up the stairs is the Asian thought. Both are correct, but two different ways to look at the same event.

Just remember the LATTER was how the Word of God was written.

Re: dinosaur poem, on: 2007/4/7 16:17

Quote:

LittleGift wrote:

sauropods, the massive plant-eating creature with a tiny head, and long neck and tail, that had a "brain" above its hind legs, apparently to work the rear end, because the real brain, in its head, was too small to do the job

Can't resist posting a funny poem I learned, about this type of dinosaur (ignore the last bit - not true!):

The Riddle of the Dinosaur

*Behold the mighty dinosaur,
Famous in prehistoric lore,
Not only for his power and strength
But for his intellectual length.
You will observe by these remains
The creature had two sets of brains-
One in his head (the usual place),
The other at his spinal base.
Thus he could reason 'A Priori'
As well as 'A Posteriori.'
No problem bothered him a bit
He made both head and tail of it.
So wise was he, so wise and solemn,
Each thought filled just one spinal column.
If one brain found the pressure strong
It passed a few ideas along.
If something slipped his forward mind
'Twas rescued by the one behind
And if in error he was caught*

*He had a saving afterthought.
As he thought twice before he spoke
He had no judgment to revoke.
Thus he could think without congestion.
Upon both sides of the question.
Oh, gaze upon this model beast,
Defunct ten million years at least.*

It amuses me anyway!:-P

Jeannette

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Jeannette

Re: - posted by lovegrace, on: 2007/4/7 21:37

Quote:

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Thank you so much for this great summary. More or less on the lines of what I wanted to say but didn't know how!

It's just something profound that I learned over the past year. It's changed the way I look at Scripture. Now, I have a more accurate view of how and what ways they were written.

Plus, it makes things like the Trinity easier to understand. That it's a 3 in one and not a '1 comes before 2.....etc' thing or a 'Father comes before the Son...etc.' Nope, they are all one in the same. :-P

Re: - posted by letsgetbusy (), on: 2007/4/7 23:31

"The Bible doesn't say everything was created in 6 days."

Yes, dear brother, it does.

Exodus 20:11a For in six days the LORD made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that in them is