



#15 - What About The Dinosaurs? Job 40:15-24

PICTURES NEEDED

15-2 Sauropod dinosaur

REVIEW

- **Big Question:** What can we learn from the animals?

God made dinosaurs along with people.

- **Lesson Rhyme:** Review the lesson rhyme.

A—A

Animals

Found everywhere
on earth

A—A—Animals

To their own kind
they give birth

Make sign of "A"

Make "A" with both hands, knock together in front of body

Move "A" hands around in large circle

Put both arms together in circle over head

Same as above

Continue animal sign

Put arms together like rocking a baby.



A

LESSON CONTENT

- **Introduction:** Show visual (picture 16-1)

What is this a picture of?

God created dinosaurs on the same day he created all the other animals. Even though they no longer live on earth, God had a plan and purpose for them. When we look at dinosaurs, we should think about what an amazing creator God is.

The big question for this week is: What can we know about dinosaurs from the Bible?
Listen as I read the lesson book and see if you can answer the question afterwards.

- **Lesson Book:** Read the book. Refer to the discussion questions.

Title: What about the dinosaurs?

Page 1—Job 40:15-16

(picture of a person and dinosaur)

Dinosaurs roamed the earth
quite some time ago.
What really happened to them,
no one seems to know.
But we know our God created
every living thing.
On the same day he created man,
he brought them into being.

Page 2—Job 40:17-18

(picture of dinosaur fossil)

There are fossils found around the earth,
buried in the ground.
That is how we know for sure
that dinosaurs did abound.
Paleontologists will dig up the bones
from a great big pit.
Then they put the bones together
to see if they all fit.

Page 3—Job 40:19

(picture of dinosaur)

From the fossils we can know
there were dinosaurs of all size.
But we cannot know their skin type
or the color of their eyes.
And just like other animals,
they demonstrate design.
God had a purpose for them,
as he planned them in his mind.

Page 4—Job 41:1-3

(picture of an Apatosaurus)

From the Bible we can know
dinosaurs lived with man,
As God described to Job
some animals in the land.
God talked about behemoth,
whose tail was like a tree.
And the great leviathan,
raging in the sea.

Page 5—Job 41:20-23

(picture of a Chinese dragon)

People round the world

have stories from of old.

Of dinosaur-like dragons,

strange tales are often told.

Why don't these different dinosaurs

still roam about the land?

That's something we should think about,

and try to understand.

Page 6—Genesis 7:20-21

(picture of the flood)

The Bible says that long ago

there was a world-wide flood

Because of all the water

things were buried deep in mud.

That explains quite reasonably

the fossils in the ground.

And why the mighty dinosaurs

no longer can be found.

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

Page 1: How do we know God created dinosaurs? How do we know that people and dinosaurs lived on earth together?

Page 2: What shows us that dinosaurs lived on earth at one time? What are fossils?

Page 3: What can we know about dinosaurs from fossils? What can't we know about dinosaurs from fossils? Why?

Page 4: What are the behemoth and leviathan?

Page 5: What do old stories from around the world describe? Why do you think that is?

Page 6: What is a reasonable explanation as to what happened to the dinosaurs and why there are fossils buried around the world?

Review: Select a couple questions from above to ask the students again.

Prayer: Thank God that he is the almighty creator that brought all things into being. Thank him for the dinosaurs that show his amazing power and strength. Pray that you would understand dinosaurs from God's point of view and not the way the world thinks about them.

The Big Question: What can we know about dinosaurs from the Bible?

God made dinosaurs along with people.

Any age appropriate activity can be included which fits into the club time. The activities with a star are included on the class notes handout sheet.

★ **Lesson Rhyme:** Practice the lesson rhyme with movements.

D—D	Make sign of "D"
Dinosaurs	Move "D" across front of body like large dinosaur
Once roamed	Move "D" like going down a road
throughout the land	
D—D—Dinosaurs	Same as above
Were made	Fists on top of one another, twist opposite
by God's command	Lift arms up in air and look up



★ **Activity:** Drawing
Draw a picture of your favorite dinosaur

★ **Coloring:** Color the lesson picture

★ **Letter/Sound Recognition:** Say the sound of and trace over each letter in the boxes.
With which sound does dinosaur begin?

• **Craft:** Dinosaur Fossil

As a reminder that God created the dinosaurs that once roamed the earth, make a dinosaur fossil skeleton.

Materials: card stock paper, 1 large shell and 15 pieces Mezze Penne pasta for each child, sand, glue, cookie sheet or large tray

Preparation: Run off craft 15 on card stock paper

Instructions:

1. Glue penne pasta on lines and the large shell on the circle.
2. Smear glue over the rest of the paper.
3. Sprinkle sand on top of paper and shake off excess over tray.

★ **Song:** My God Is So Great

My God is so great, so strong and so mighty,
there's nothing my God cannot do.

My God is so great, so strong and so mighty,
there's nothing my God cannot do.

The mountains are his, the rivers are his,
the stars are His handiwork, too.

My God is so great, so strong and so mighty,
there's nothing my God cannot do, for you!

JOURNAL

The journal is passed out at the end of class for the students to complete at home. It has six poetic readings and related Bible verses. It would be beneficial for the teacher to read through and be familiar with its content.