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- Dinosaurs really existed. The first recorded discovery of a fossilized dinosaur was in 1842.
- Most scientists today assume that the earth is about 4.5 billion years old and that dinosaurs lived between 245 and 65 million years ago.
 - The assumption is based on secular philosophy (naturalism) and not on physical evidence (science).
 - There is ample evidence—biblical and historical—that dinosaurs lived only a few thousand years ago and that they coexisted with human beings.

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- Secular history attests to human knowledge of dinosaur-like creatures – e.g., mythology, petroglyphs, burial stones, figurines, fossils.



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- Like other animals, many species of dinosaurs have gone extinct—probably because of climate changes and human involvement.
- Do dinosaurs disprove the Bible? By no means! The biblical and historical evidence supports creationism and human-dinosaur coexistence.
- Faith allows us to know that God is Creator, but it is not a blind belief but reasonable trust. We must do our homework – Hebrews 11:1–3.

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- Dinosaurs are a point of interest for many. We should, therefore, study and use them for good.
 - Rather than employing conversation stoppers (e.g., “Were you there?”), we should utilize conversation starters (e.g., “Why do you believe that?”).
 - We need to expose faulty assumptions (e.g., naturalism, scientism) and defend the truth (e.g., creationism = cosmology, teleology, morality).
- When we teach others about our Creator, we teach them about Jesus Christ – John 1:1–3, 14.



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