



# DINOSAURS AND THE BIBLE

## part 1: "Are Dinosaurs a Mystery?"

### Leader's Guide

#### Overview

What's the big deal about dinosaurs? With so many other important topics to discuss like abortion, family values, promiscuity, porn, tsunamis, etc. Why talk about these seemingly extinct giant reptiles? One reason is that Dinosaurs have been used more than anything to indoctrinate kids against what the Bibles says about creation. All of our lives earth "Millions and millions of yrs old." But is this really true? In this lesson we will discover what the Bible says about dinosaurs and see evidence of actual historical records describing what we c all dinosaurs.

#### Specific Session Tips

- Ice breaker. Ask each person: "What is your favorite 'Dinosaur-genre movie? Why?" (Note: This will lead into a discussion about whether dinosaurs are important and if they really existed ;-)
- Once again, keep in mind that most people in your group have ONLY heard one side of this story. Don't be surprised if they react negatively – or strongly to this session. Make sure to give grace and encourage them to consider what God may say about this area.
- Just a reminder – Do not to answer every question yourself. Your job is to draw people out.
- Possibly do some extra research using Ken Hamm's Answers In Genesis, <https://answersingenesis.org/>

#### Suggested Format (90 minute meeting)

- **15 minutes – Greet & Treat.** Welcome people and encourage them to mingle before the meeting.
- **35 minutes – Intro & Video.** Introduce the topic, hand out blanks and then show the video.
- **35 minutes – Discussion.** Lead the group through an honest discussion using questions below.
- **5 minutes – Prayer.** At the end of your time, ask for prayer requests, and have several people pray.

#### Weekly Reminders

- Pray! Before each meeting, pray for each person by name and ask God to speak to their hearts!
- At the end of the meeting, remind people of who is on for treats the next week & what your topic will be.
- Pray at the end. Make sure to end ON TIME (You can always tell people they are welcome to stay – but give those who need to leave the option to make an exit as soon as the class time expires).

#### Possible Discussion Questions

1. What is your reaction to this video? What impressed you the most? Why?
2. What have you personally been taught about the importance of dinosaurs? Have you ever heard what Bill shard before? Is what Bill shared hard to believe? Why or why not?
3. Discuss the implication of the statement/hypothesis: "Dinosaurs lived with man – at the same time!" Why do so many people absolutely fight resist this idea?
4. Read Genesis 1:24 out loud. If this verse is true, why should we believe that dinosaurs lived with man? How would a belief in human evolution influence this Biblical concept?
5. The word dinosaur wasn't even invented until 1841. Discuss the implications of the word "dragon" in the Bible possibly referring to what we call dinosaurs, and how that lines up with a biblical worldview.
6. We all have the same evidence when it comes to dinosaurs. Discuss how different WORLDVIEWS (starting points) affects your conclusions. Which "Bible Glasses" are you currently wearing?