



# My Ready Defense

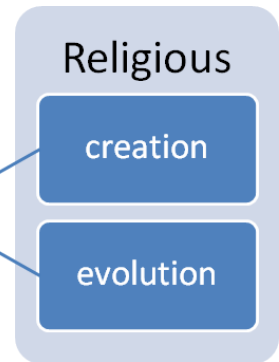
## Week 7 - Paleontology

### Two Views of Historical Paleontology

1. Creationists understand that most fossils were formed 4300 years ago during the catastrophic global flood, when billions of living things were quickly buried in sedimentary rock layers, laid down by water, producing large fossil graveyards.

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**Genesis 7:19-21:** And the waters prevailed exceedingly on the earth, and all the high hills under the whole heaven were covered... and all flesh died that moved on the earth: birds and cattle and beasts and every creeping thing that creeps on the earth, and every man.

2. Evolutionists believe that most fossils were formed from living things that died before mankind evolved, and were buried slowly over millions of years at the rate in which we see sediments accumulating in nature today.

<b>SCIENTIFIC PALEONTOLOGY</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>3. Polystrate fossils of trees without roots or branches, apparently ripped up by the Flood, are found to go through many layers of strata, indicating that the layers were formed <u>quickly</u> before the trees could <u>rot</u>.</li> <li>4. Perfectly preserved fossil graveyards are found around the world and include shell creatures, fish, birds, plants and insects all in the same place. This is indicative of the <u>Flood</u> that carried all of these dead things to the same place where they were <u>rapidly</u> buried.</li> </ol>
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5. Carbon-14 ( $^{14}\text{C}$ ) from the atmosphere is continually absorbed by every living organism until it dies and then all the existing  $^{14}\text{C}$  eventually decays to nitrogen-14 ( $^{14}\text{N}$ ).
6. We can measure the remaining amount of  $^{14}\text{C}$  in dead bones, fossils, coal or other organic matter that was once alive to calculate its age.
7.  $^{14}\text{C}$  decays quickly, so it can only be used to date material up to 95,000 years old, after which there would be no detectable  $^{14}\text{C}$ .
8. Radiocarbon dating assumes that the amount of  $^{14}\text{C}$  in the atmosphere and organisms has been constant, which is false due to changes in the earth's magnetic field.
9. Creationists estimate that the changes in the earth's magnetic field and the pre-flood vegetation could inflate the radiocarbon dates by a factor of 10 times.

9. The RATE project carbon dated:
  - a. fossilized wood less than 45,000 years old, found in rock that was supposedly 40 - 250 million years old
  - b. coal at about 50,000 years old, found in rock that was supposedly 34 - 318 million years old
10. If radiocarbon dates are inflated by 10 times, the wood and organic matter that formed the coal were less than 5,000 years old, which fits perfectly with the time of the Flood.
11. Radiocarbon in “deep earth” diamonds and fossils is consistent with a young earth and the recent Genesis Flood.
12. We should not be afraid of radiocarbon dating, as it shows more support for creation than evolution.

## Jurassic Prank

1. What we see in God’s world agrees with what we read in God’s Word.
2. The fossil record provides no evidence of the evolutionary tree found in textbooks.
3. What the fossil record does show is evidence of creatures reproducing after their own kind, as described in the Bible.
4. On day six of creation, God created man and land animals, which would include dinosaurs, meaning man and dinosaurs lived on the earth at the same time.
5. The word “dinosaur” is not found in the Bible because it wasn’t invented until 1841, 230 years after the King James Bible was translated into English.
6. Behemoth and Leviathan are dinosaurs described in the Bible in Job 40:15-24 and Job 41:1-34.

7. There are pictures of dinosaurs in cave drawings found all around the world, indicating that dinosaurs lived alongside man (search dinosaur pictographs and petroglyphs).

8. There was lots of room on Noah’s ark for small dinosaurs that were young and just entering their reproductive years.

9. Most paleontologists believe that dinosaurs evolved into birds and have worked hard to promote that idea, yet birds are found earlier in the fossil record than the dinosaurs they were supposed to have descended from.