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

with thee; he eateth grass as an ox. Lo now, his strength is in his loins, and his force is in the

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 he 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 KJV. This creature named *behemoth* sounds like a very big and powerful creature. He was so big he thought he could drink up a river. He was the "chief of the ways of God," perhaps the biggest land animal that God created. Some people have guessed that maybe behemoth was an elephant

or a hippopotamus. But have your ever seen the tail of an elephant? It certainly doesn't look like a cedar tree. It looks more like a willow bush. The tail of a hippo? It looks more like a stump. A tail that moves as a

cedar tree sounds like the tail of a dinosaur, maybe an *Apatosaurus* or a *Brachiosaurus*.

Several times in the Old Testament the word *dragon* is used. Most of the time the word *dragon* could be changed to the word *dinosaur*. There are a lot of old history books that also speak of dragons and people together. Stories of dragons have been told from people all over the world. Even though the stories come from people from so many different places in the world, the stories are very similar. The more we study dragons from stories and from historical books, the more dragons sound like real creatures that existed in the past. Most descriptions of dragons of dragons are not fairy tales but descriptions of creatures that lived along side man. Dinosaurs and man *must* have lived together!

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DINOSAURS AND THE BIBLE

In the last issue of Kid's Think and Believe Too, we talked about how man and dinosaurs were created together on day six of creation, and how man and dinosaurs lived together. Because of man's sin, God sent a flood to destroy the Earth. He told Noah to build an Ark to save his family and some animals. Two of every kind of animal (seven of some) went into the Ark. Therefore dinosaurs *must* have been on the Ark. All the other dinosaurs (and land animals) not on Noah's Ark were drowned in the flood.

Was there enough room on the Ark for dinosaurs? Remember that the Ark was a huge boat; as long as one and a half $(1 \ 1/2)$ football fields, or 450 feet. So

yes, there was plenty of room on the Ark for big dinosaurs (and other large animals too.) But God probably put younger,

smaller dinosaurs on the Ark; they would have taken up less space and they would have a longer life span ahead



of them to have babies and repopulate the Earth with their own kind after the flood.

If dinosaurs were on the Ark during the flood, then they must have gotten off of the Ark after the flood. Does the Bible talk about dinosaurs after the flood? The word "dinosaur" is not found in the Bible, because that name wasn't invented until 1841. The Bible was written thousands of years ago, and translated into English in 1611 (KJV.) But there is a creature which sounds like it could be a dinosaur. In Job it says: **Behold now behemoth**, which I made

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ACROSS

- 2 creature with tail like a stump that lives in the water most of the time
- 4 lots of water over Earth
- 7 type of dinosaur with tail like a cedar tree
- 9 word for dinosaur in Job 40:15
- 12 type of big tree

DOWN

- 1 type of dinosaur with tail like a cedar tree
- 3 creature with tail like a willow and with a trunk for a nose
- 5 terrible lizard
- 6 old word for dinosaur
- 8 type of animal
- 10 created on day 6 along with dinosaurs
- 11 big boat that Noah built

ASK EUGENE

Dear Eugene, Why are animals made with such sharp claws and teeth (just perfect for killing) when God created them to eat plants??? Ariane (Largo, Fl. -7 years old.)



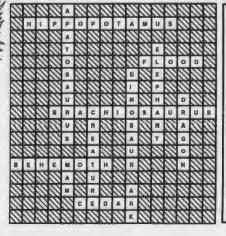
Dear Ariane: Those sharp claws are """""""""" just perfect for digging up potatoes and root type vegetables. Those sharp teeth are perfect for chewing plants and tough fruits like pineapples and coconuts! God knew ahead of time that man would sin and that the animals would later need those sharp claws and teeth to survive. He also knew that man was going to need a Savior. He knew ahead of time that He would have to sacrifice His Son for us, yet He loved us so much he made us anyhow! Excellent question! Thanks for writing me. Love ya...Eugene.

Jesus loves the little children All the children of the world Purple and Pink, Yellow and Blue Jesus will save each one of you Jesus loves the little children of the world Michel Rambert

Dear Eugene, Thank you so much for showing my boys that Creation is wonderful and exciting. They are so excited when they get out of your class! But they always drop into bed as soon as we get home at 10:00! I appreciate all the effort and the extras you have done for the children. May the Lord bless you and His work as you continue. C. Jackson

Dear C.: Wow a parent writing to me! That's wonderful! We love the praise, but the praise has to go God. It is His work that we do, and believe me, we have to call on his strength all the time. It takes a lot of energy to work with kids! But we have an awesome God. Just think, if he hadn't created all this and sent His Son Jesus to save us for our sins, we wouldn't have a job! His word really is exciting! Love ya...Eugene.

Q: What do you get when you cross a pot and a dinosaur? A: An a-"pot"-a-saurus!



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