

We have a problem !

2 Thessalonians

2:11

*** It's the dominant idea of today, ***

*** Promoted by the media in films & documentaries ***

*** with friendly “evangelists” of integrity ***

(they genuinely believe it to be true)

**All the kinds of life on earth started from a single organism
that spontaneously emerged millions of years ago.**

Meet the dinosaurs:

Job 40:15 -24, 41:1 – 34

Look at Behemoth.

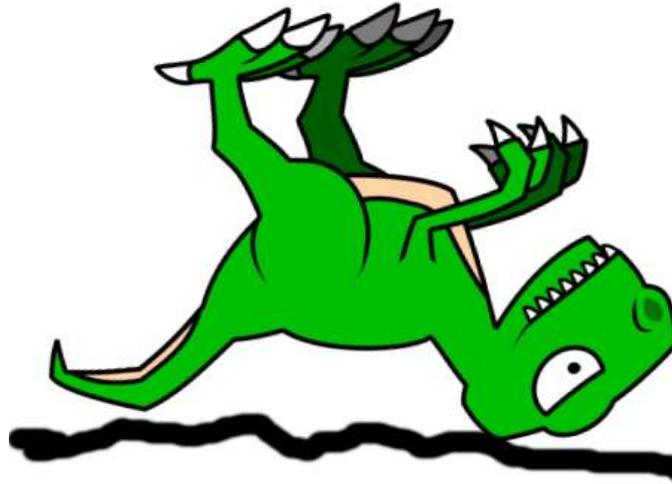
Can you pull in Leviathan with a fishhook ?



Job was alive at the time they were on earth!

Lie No.1

They died out before humans evolved.



Lie No. 2

**Present rates of change
can be used to tell us about the past**

Eg . a large hour glass can tell the time when it started
Eg soil build up, erosion, radioactive decay rates, speed of light

A problem !

A car journey takes 1 hour

We measure its speed on the by-pass as 60 mph.

How far away does the driver live? 60 miles?

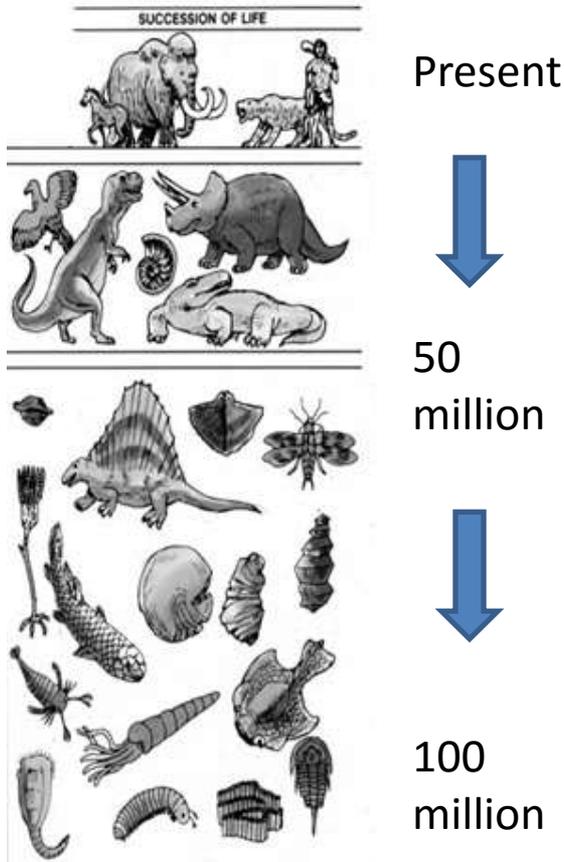
(We didn't include his being stuck behind a tractor !)

**How things are today may not be the same as in the past.
When God acting in creation/judgement things can move fast!**

Lie No. 3

Fossil layers tell us

The lower you go the older you get



They are found in sedimentary rocks
Sedimentary rocks are formed from a
water suspension

Different things sink at different rates
(add in turbulence for an interesting
mix)

We are looking at it the wrong way ... it's a gigantic graveyard! They all died then! When ever 'then' was ! (2 Peter 3: 3 -7)



Look into the skies



Light travels at 300,000 kilometres per second
(186,000mph)

It takes about 15 minutes for the light from the sun to reach earth.

If the sun were 16 billion (16,000,000,000) miles away, it would take 1 year for its light to reach us .

That distance is called a “light year” = 16 billion miles

Some of the stars and galaxies are billions of light years away from us! That’s a lot of space around us!

Lie No. 5

The further away they are the older they are.

The light from the most distant stars started its journey to us billions of years ago.

That assumes :

- 1, light has always travelled at the same speed
- 2, time has passed at a steady rate

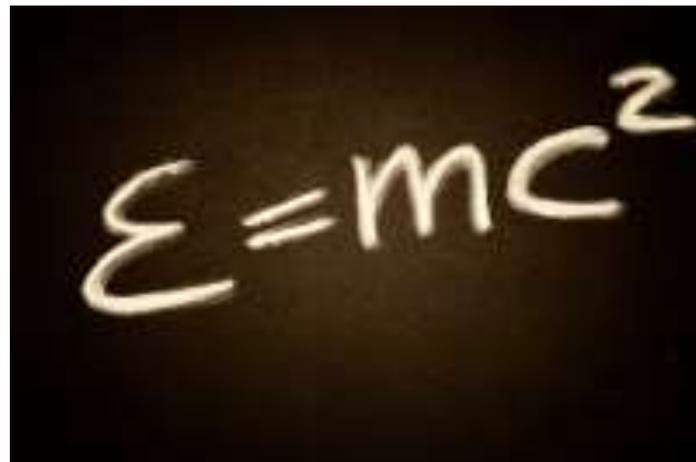
Isaiah 45:12

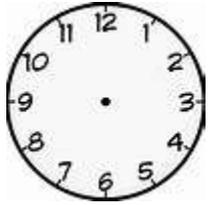
Space has been stretched ..

The universe appears to be expanding shown by the shift of blue light to the red end of spectrum.

Microwave background as evidence of “Big Bang” ?
or Creator’s trade mark ?

If at creation God made light travel at a much greater speed we have a serious maths problem!

A photograph of the equation $E=mc^2$ written in white chalk on a blackboard. The equation is centered and slightly tilted to the right. The background is dark and textured, typical of a chalkboard.
$$E=mc^2$$



Time does strange things too.

Einstein showed in his Theory of General Relativity that
**Time can run at different speeds in different places
at the same time!**

Eg You live on earth – your twin goes on a journey in a spaceship (– WARP 98!) at near the speed of light for a couple of years with his calendar on board.
When he gets back he will be two years older...
How much older will you be?

Space looks older than it is in earth time.

The Bible uses earth time.

We are about 6000 years from the creation.

Genesis 1.1 same time - different rates?

Lie No 6

If you can measure it, it must be true.

The 'old' wine at the marriage feast in Cana **John 2:10 – 11**

Genesis 1:20 - 27 All were created within a couple of days
(the clock started at creation)
(all created as adults - chicken & egg problem solved)

Estimate their age by measuring -

their size when fully developed (at the usual rates)

sea creature - leviathan ? 100 years?

land creature - behemoth? 100 years?

man & woman ? 25 years?

All that glitters is not gold. All that's wrinkled is not old!

Find out more at answersingenesis.org

Lie no 7

We can find it all out by ourselves!

Proverbs 25:2



But

“ Some things we know we don’t know
the “known unknowns” AND there are some things we don’t
know we don’t know, the “unknown unknowns” –
They are often the important ones! - *Donald Rumsfeld*
(eg the No. 49 bus coming up behind you!)

1 Cor. 1:18-25