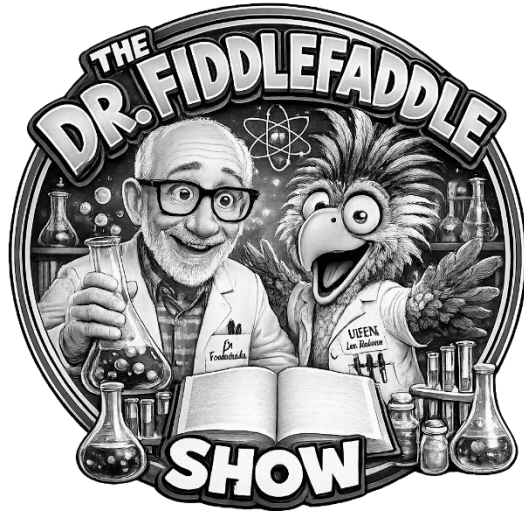




Episode 2

The Missing Millions of Years

Theme: Can we trust God's Word or man's ideas?

Bible Text: Job 40:15–24; Psalm 119:105 (KJV)

Memory Verse: Matthew 6:33 (KJV)

"But seek ye first the kingdom of God, and his righteousness; and all these things shall be added unto you."

Bible Truth: God's Word is where we should go first. It is a lamp and a light for our life.

Age Group: 6–12 years

Teaching Time: 30–40 minutes

Lesson Aim

To teach children that whenever there is confusion about the world, creation, or anything else, God's Word is our first and most trustworthy source of truth.

Opening Object Lesson (5 Minutes)

"Which Flashlight Works?"

Bring:

- A working flashlight
- A flashlight with dead batteries

Turn off the lights if possible.

Ask: "Which flashlight would you trust if the room became completely dark?"
Allow children to answer.

Now read:

Psalm 119:105

"Thy word is a lamp unto my feet, and a light unto my path."

Explain:

Just as a flashlight helps us see in darkness, God's Word helps us know what is true.

Read the Scripture

Read:

- Job 40:15–24
 - Psalm 119:105
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Background for the Teacher

Job lived long before modern science. Yet God described an enormous creature called **Behemoth**. Many Bible-believing scholars understand Behemoth to describe a dinosaur-like land animal because of its enormous size and powerful tail.

The main point of the lesson is **not** to argue about dinosaurs but to teach that **God was there when He created everything, so His Word is our highest authority**. Keep the emphasis on trusting Scripture.

Lesson Point 1

God Was There at the Beginning

Read:

Job 40:15 "Behold now behemoth, which I made with thee..."

Explain: God did not say, "I heard about Behemoth." God said, "I made him." Only God was there when creation happened. Because God was there... God knows exactly what happened.

Ask

Who knows more?

- Someone who guesses?
- Someone who was actually there?

God was there!

Lesson Point 2

God's Word Is Our Light

Read: Psalm 119:105

Illustration

Turn off the flashlight.

Ask: Can you see very well?

Turn it back on.

Explain: Without God's Word... people make guesses. With God's Word... we have light.

Application:

Whenever we have questions about:

- Creation
- Right and wrong
- Heaven
- Jesus
- Salvation

We should always ask, "What does God's Word say?"

Lesson Point 3

People Don't Always Agree

Ask: Have you ever heard different people give different answers? Sometimes people disagree. Scientists sometimes change their ideas. History books get updated. New discoveries happen. But God's Word never changes.

Hebrews 13:8 Jesus Christ is the same yesterday, today, and forever.

Application: When people disagree with God's Word... we choose to believe God.

Lesson Point 4

Seek God First

Read: Matthew 6:33

Explain: Jesus tells us what should come first. Not opinions. Not guesses. Not what everyone else believes. We seek God first. When we start with God's Word... everything else becomes much clearer.

Object Lesson

The Instruction Book

Bring:

- A simple toy with instructions.

Ask: Would you rather learn how it works from:

- Someone who guesses?
- Or the person who made it?

Children answer: "The person who made it."

Explain: God made the world. God wrote the Bible. So God knows how His creation works.

Discussion Questions

1. Who made Behemoth?
 2. Why can we trust God's Word?
 3. What does Psalm 119:105 call the Bible?
 4. What should we seek first?
 5. Who was there when God created everything?
 6. When people disagree, where should we go first?
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Memory Verse Activity

Matthew 6:33

Write the verse on the board. Erase one word at a time while repeating it together. Continue until the children can say the entire verse from memory.

Bible Challenge

Ask the children: If someone asks, "How do you know that?" Practice answering: "Because the Bible says..." Help them understand that Christians build their faith on God's Word.

Life Application

This week: Before believing something you hear... Ask: "What does the Bible say?" God has given us His Word to guide every part of our lives. His Word is always true.

Gospel Connection

The greatest truth found in God's Word is the good news about Jesus Christ. The Bible tells us that we are sinners, that Jesus died on the cross for our sins, was buried, and rose again. When we trust Him as our Savior, He gives us eternal life. If we can trust God's Word about salvation, we can also trust what it says about creation, life, and every other truth we need.

Review Game

True or False

- God made Behemoth. (**True**)
 - God's Word is called a lamp and a light. (**True**)
 - We should believe every opinion before reading the Bible. (**False**)
 - Jesus said to seek God's kingdom first. (**True**)
 - God's Word changes every few years. (**False**)
 - God was there when the world was created. (**True**)
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Teacher's Closing Challenge

Encourage the children to remember this simple principle:

"When I have questions, I will look to God's Word first."

Close in prayer, thanking God for giving us the Bible as our perfect guide and asking Him to help each child seek Him first in every decision and trust His Word above all else.

