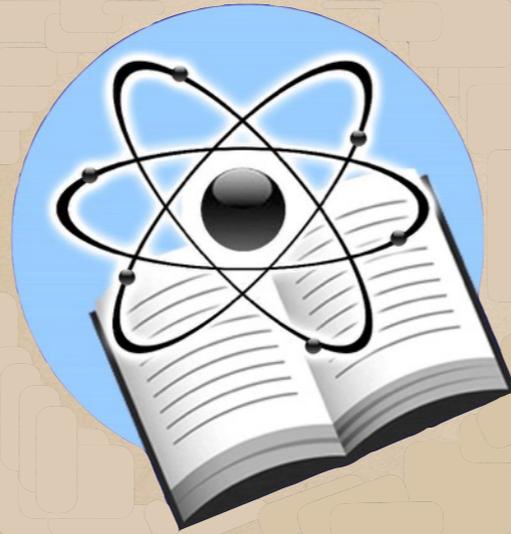


The Bible or Science?



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Thank you Pastor Maria Ching for inviting me here to talk to all you young people. It is an honour.

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Love the Bible, God's instructions to us. Love science, God's gift to us to understand His creation.

Bible or Science, one helps explain the other. One is the starting point on which the other depends. Which is the starting point? Understand science based on the Bible or the other way around?

Is what you think real,
really real?

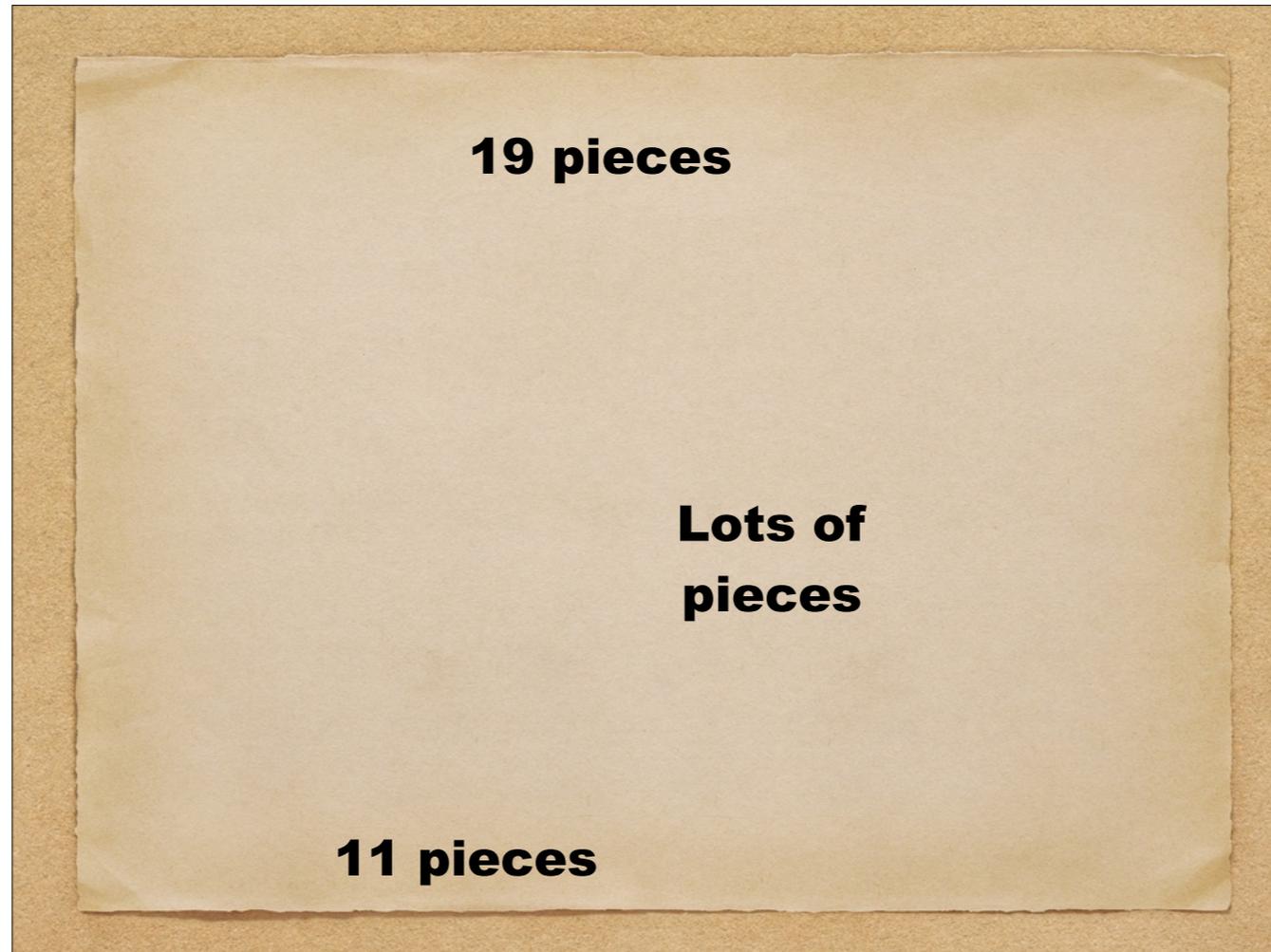
Talk about things we see and learn that we think are real, but maybe not.

I am a pastor or business man. Is that real? You see me well dressed.

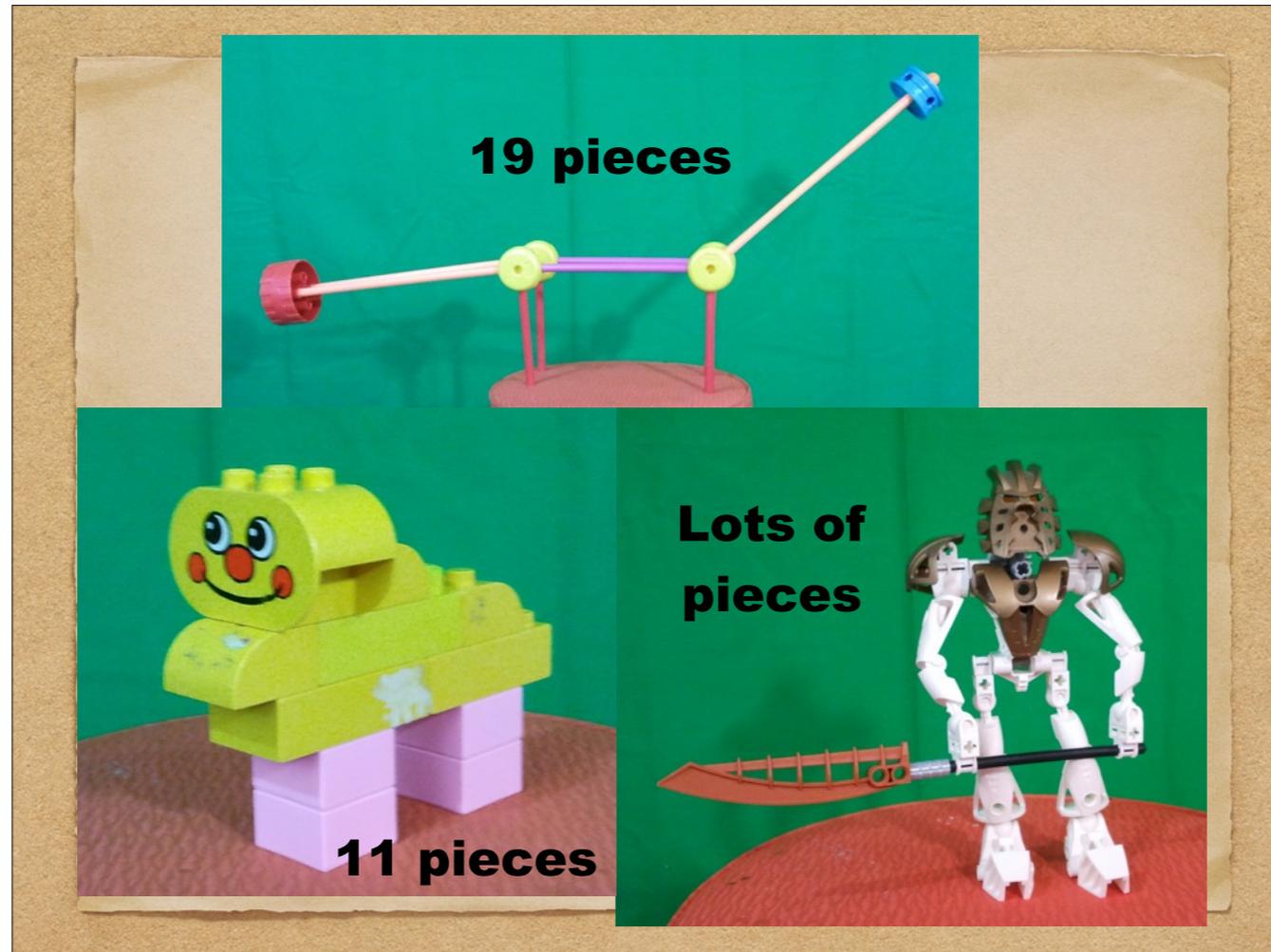
Undress to my old clothes.

Now I am a painter, farmer. Quite a different image.

Not everything we see or feel is real in many aspects of life.



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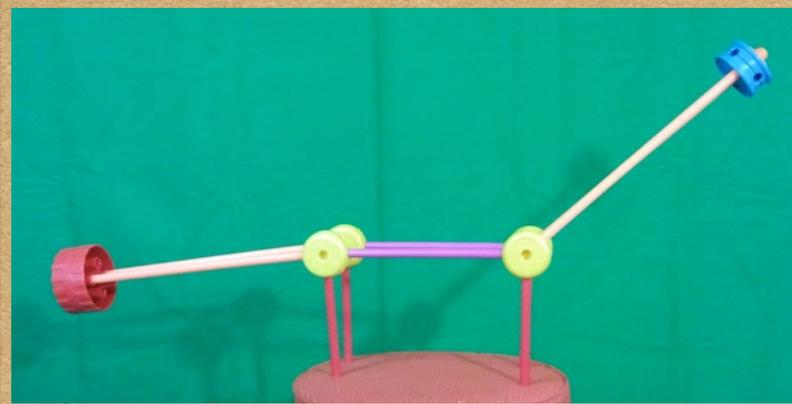
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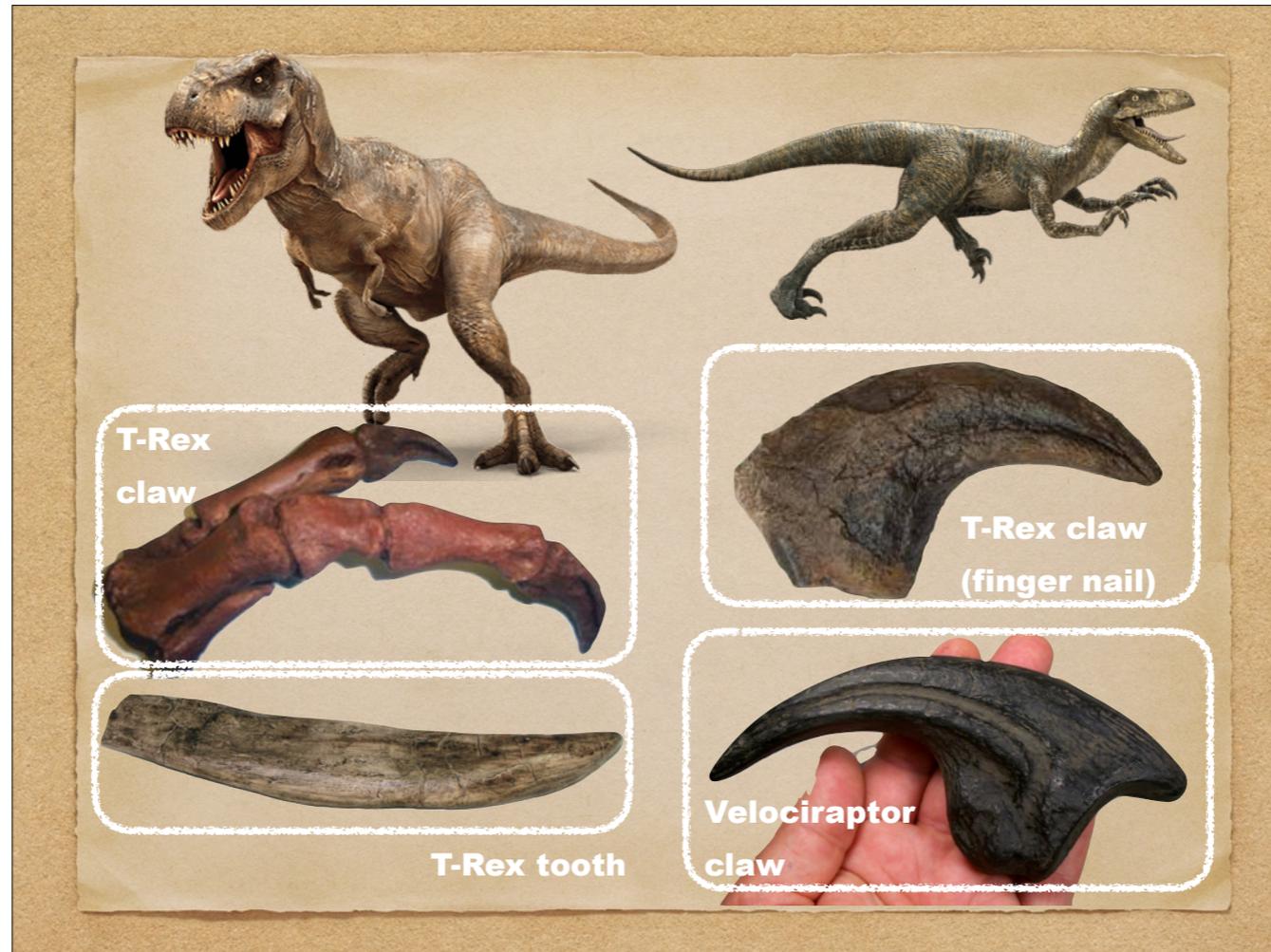
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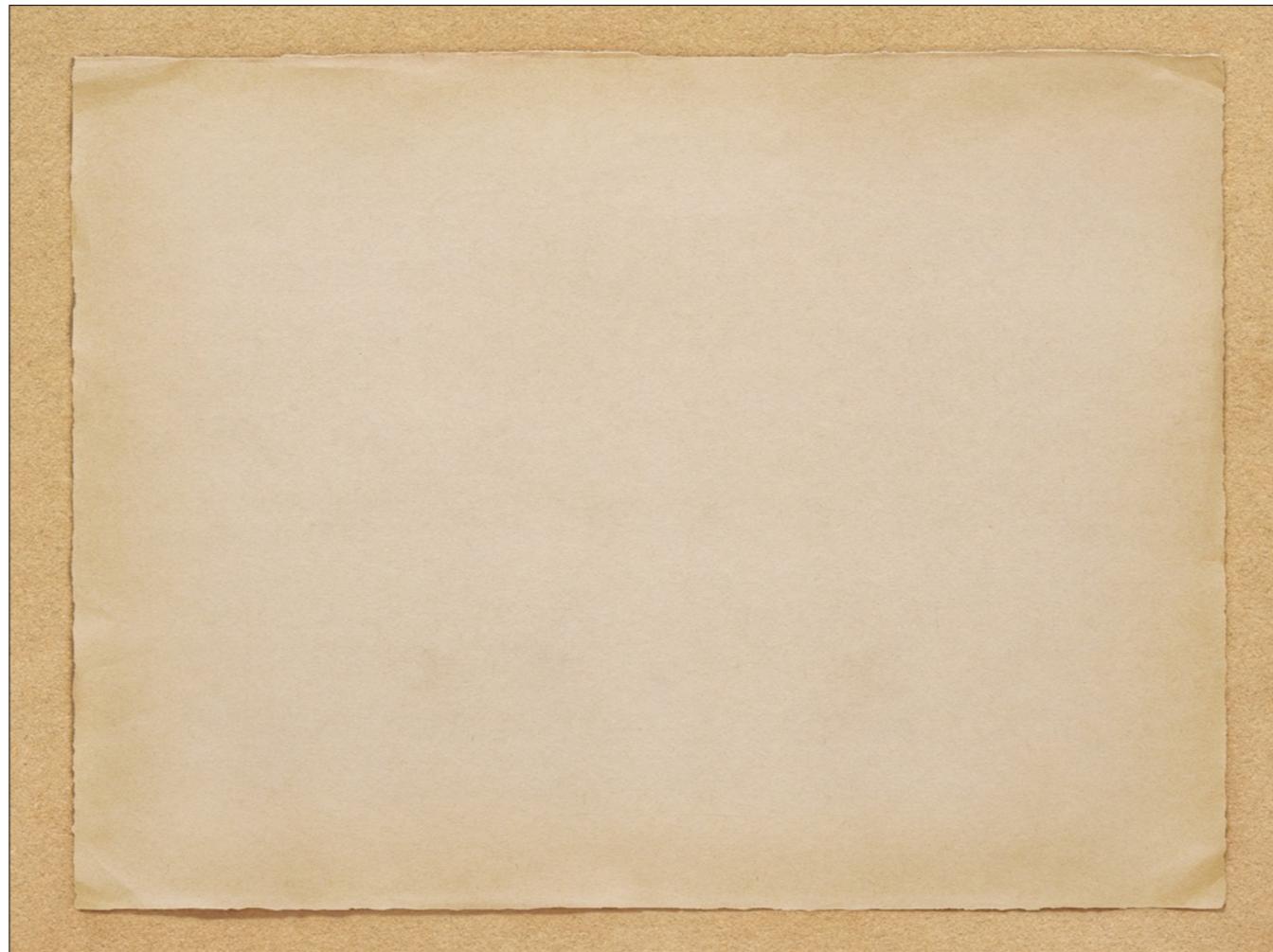
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made. Gen. 2:2



Hard to understand some things

“But you, O Bethlehem Ephrathah, are only a small village in Judah. Yet a ruler of Israel will come from you, one whose origins are from the distant past.” Micah 5:2

“When Israel was a child, then I loved him, and called my son out of Egypt.” Hosea 11:1 indirect reference to Jesus

“And he came and dwelt in a city called Nazareth: that it might be fulfilled which was spoken by the prophets, He shall be called a Nazarene.” Matthew 2:23

Christmas just finished. Remember Jesus's birth at Christmas.

3 verses about Jesus from different places.

Hard to understand. Jews could not. A person cannot be from 3 places.

We now know this is true, having the whole Bible we know how this happened. Born in Bethlehem, moved to Egypt so he would not be killed by evil king, then later moved back to town of Nazareth.

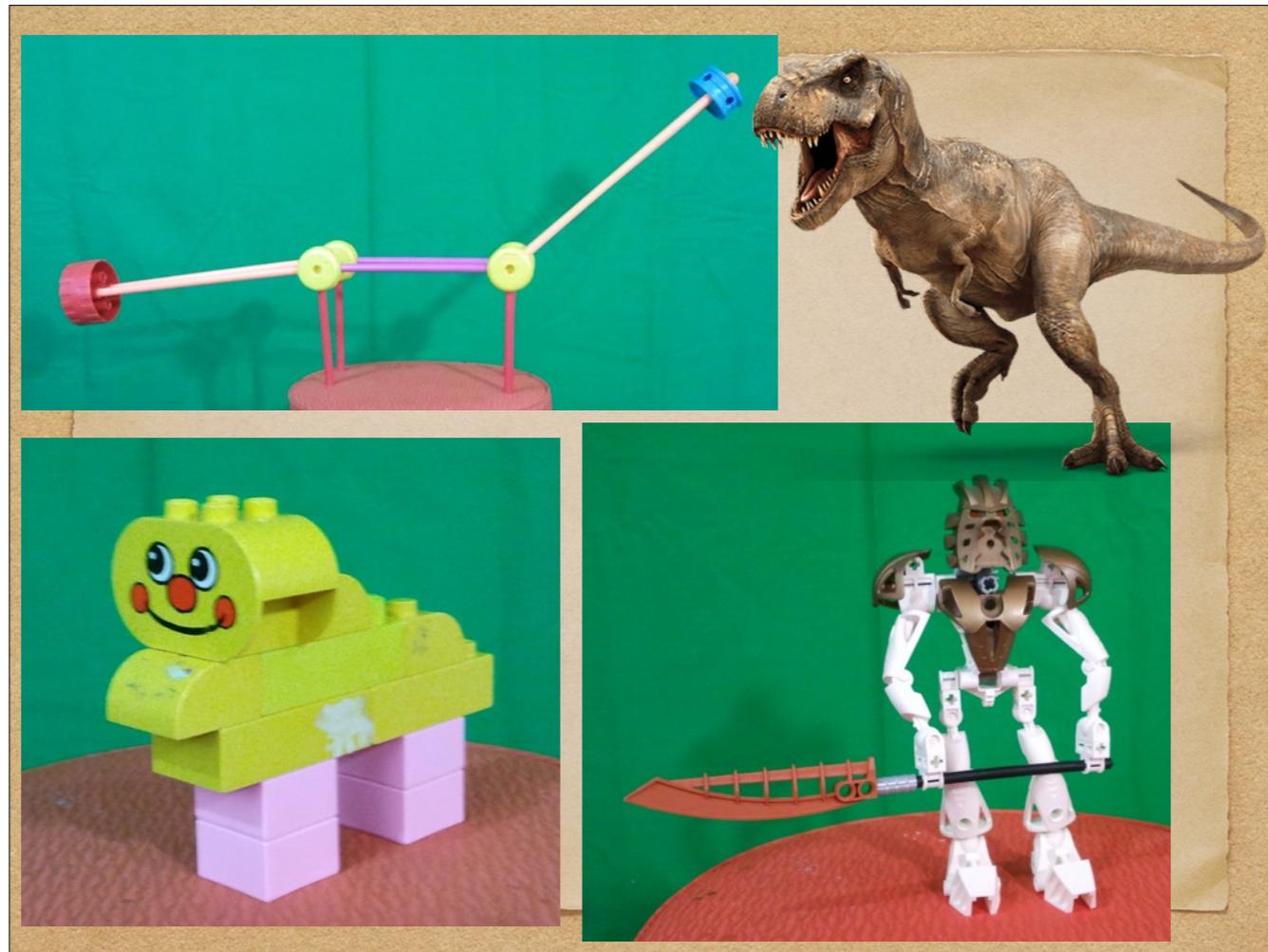


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Global or local flood?

And the waters prevailed exceedingly upon the earth; and all the high hills, that were under the whole heaven, were covered. Fifteen cubits [7 metres] upward did the waters prevail; and the mountains were covered. (Genesis 7:19,20)



Uncover my ark.

Explain it. Fresh air due to water. 3 floors.

Young animals - don't eat as much. Don't reproduce yet.

Maybe load stones for stability.

Cover was probably cloth not wood as Noah removed the covering near the end of the year long boar ride.

Global Flood Evidence



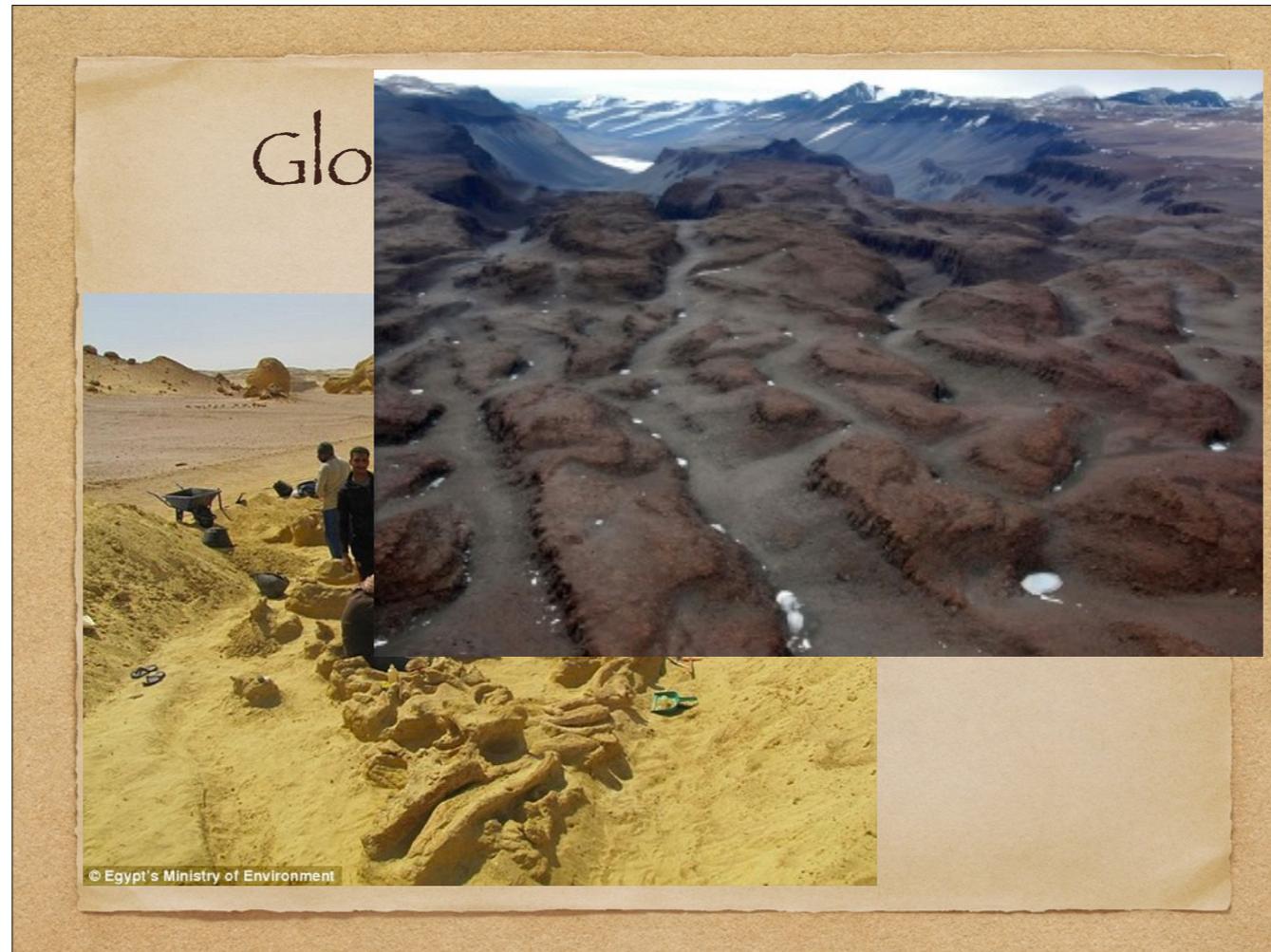
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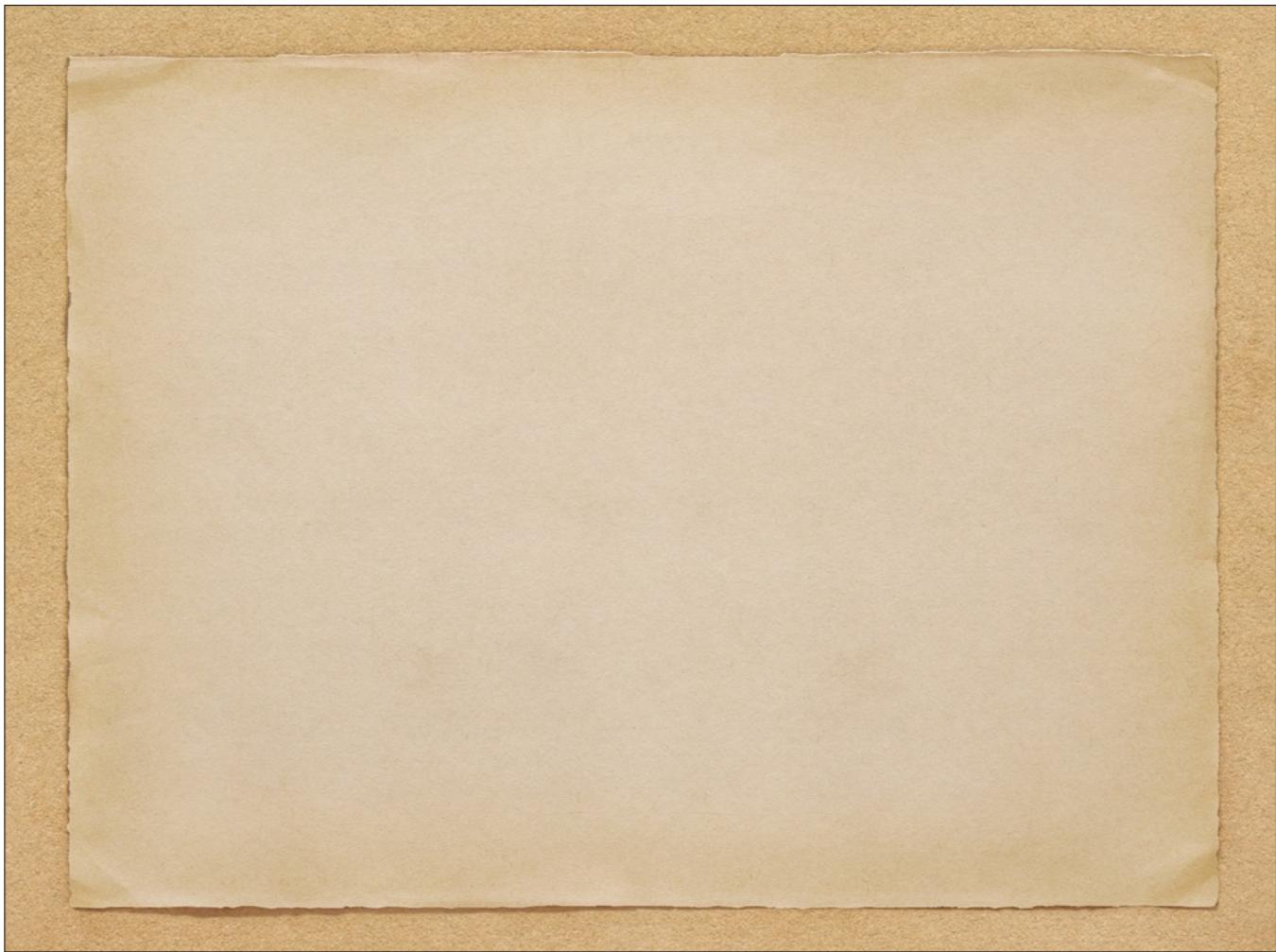
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- ♦ And God said, Behold, I have given you every herb bearing seed, which is upon the face of all the earth, and every tree, in the which is the fruit of a tree yielding seed; to you it shall be for meat. (Genesis 1:29)
- ♦ Every moving thing that liveth shall be meat for you; even as the green herb have I given you all things. (Genesis 9:3)

Panda's eat bamboo.

Baboon's in Ethiopia. Eat mostly grass.

Australian fruit bat - eat fruit.

Bear - mostly berries, roots, grasses. Some meat like fish.

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Native American petroglyph under the Kachina Bridge
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"The travels of Marco Polo". Book 2, page 185-186.

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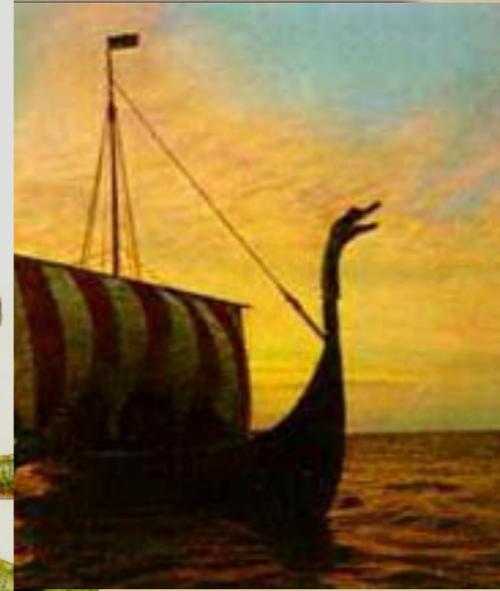
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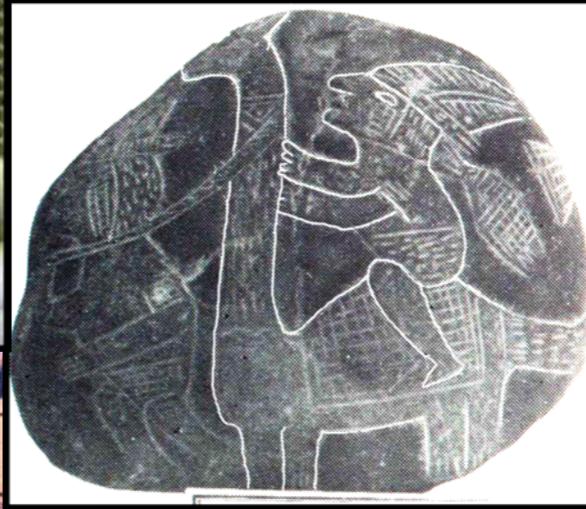
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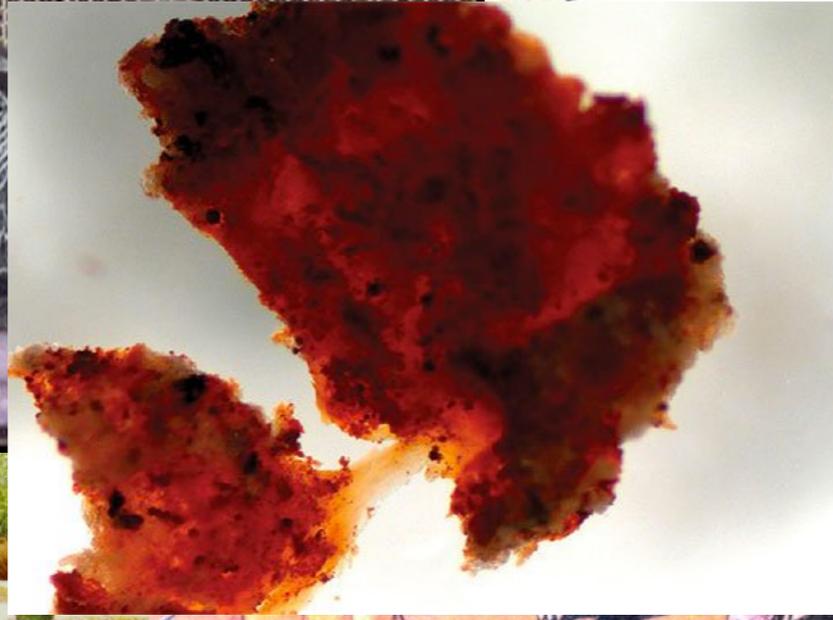
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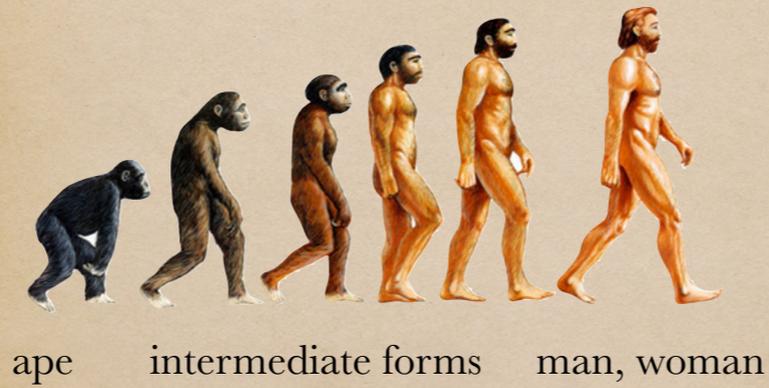
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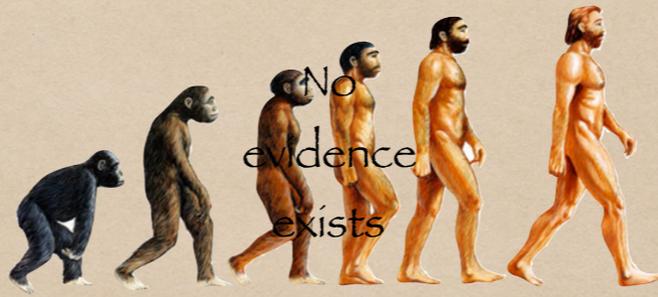
10,000 feet up in the mountains they grow.

Oldest is 4,200 years. Flood about 4,500 years ago.

Nothing older than the flood.

strong sign the flood was real. Also no changes in 4500 years so probably never. No evolution.

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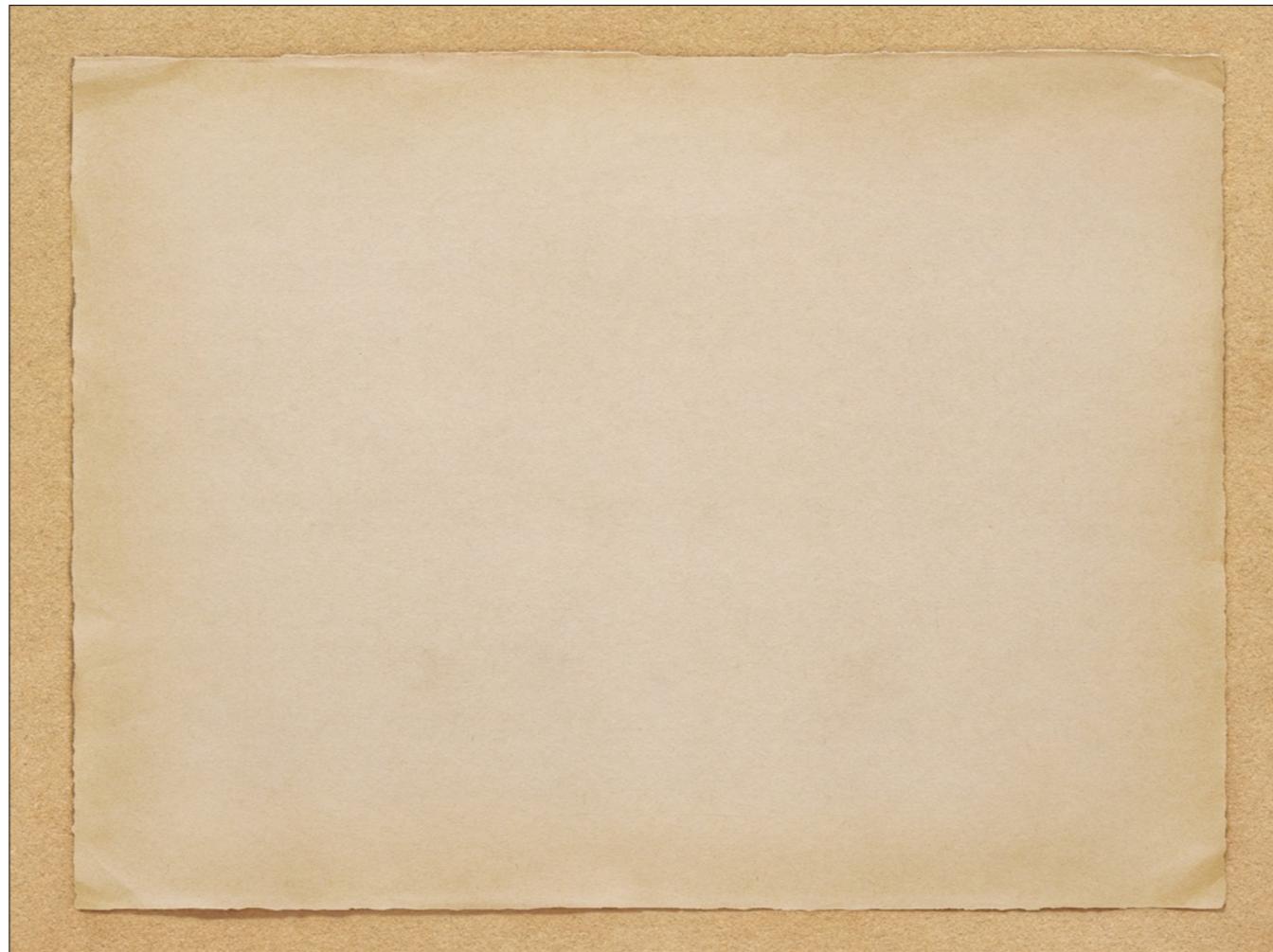
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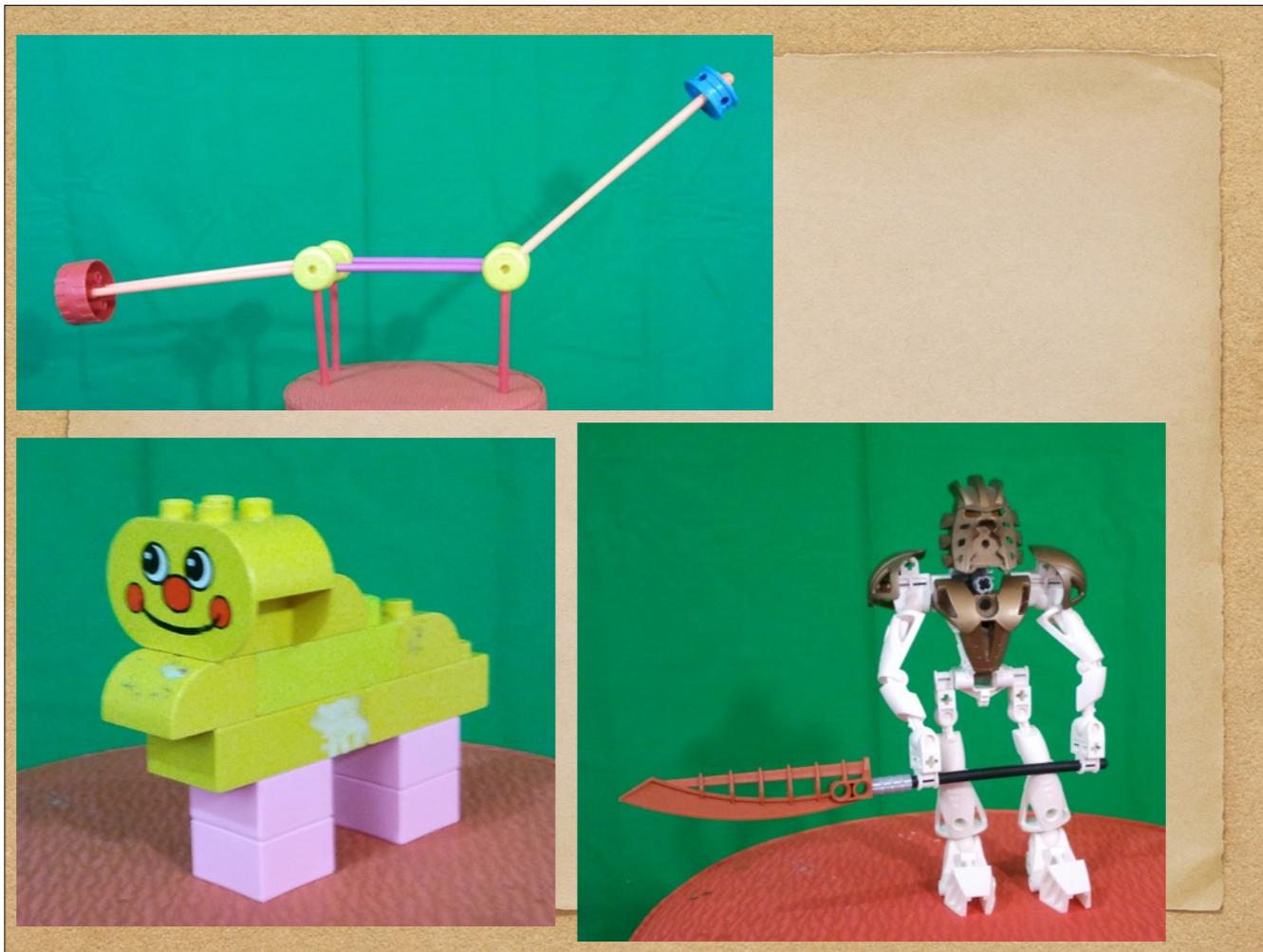
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Cain knew he should not kill but did.

He was jealous of his brother.

His brother did nothing wrong.

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- “And Abel was a keeper of sheep, but Cain was a tiller of the ground. And in process of time it came to pass, that Cain brought of the fruit of the ground an offering unto the LORD. And Abel, he also brought of the firstlings of his flock and of the fat thereof. And the LORD had respect unto Abel and to his offering: But unto Cain and to his offering he had not respect. And Cain was very wroth, and his countenance fell. And the LORD said unto Cain, Why art thou wroth? and why is thy countenance fallen? if thou doest well, shalt thou not be accepted? and if thou doest not well, sin lieth at the door. And unto thee shall be his desire, and thou shalt rule over him. And Cain talked with Abel his brother: and it came to pass, when they were in the field, that Cain rose up against Abel his brother, and slew him.” (Genesis 4:2-8)

Cain knew he should not kill but did.

He was jealous of his brother.

His brother did nothing wrong.

We do this all the time today. We want what others have. We feel we are not treated properly.

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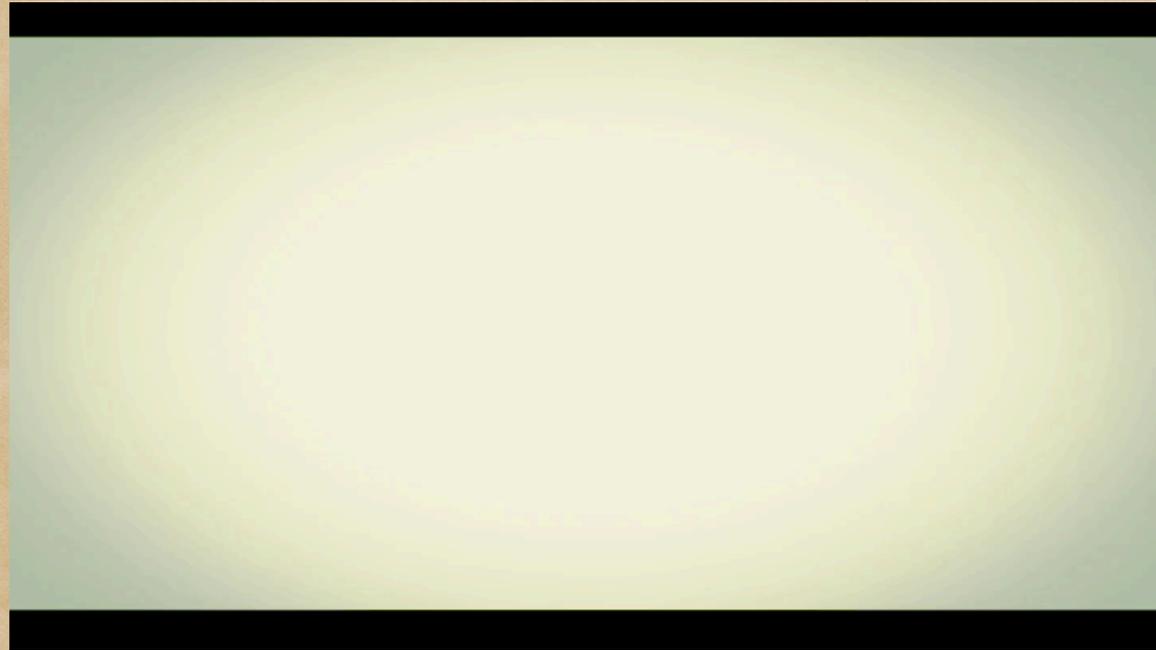
Key Points to Remember

- ◆ Some things are hard to understand.
- ◆ There is strong evidence that the universe was created about 6,000 years ago.
- ◆ Evolution has no base for moral values. Causes all kinds of problems. Creation is based on God/Bible which provides strong morals, values.
- ◆ Genesis, creation show us where sin came from and why Jesus died.
- ◆ You can study and work in science as a Christian.
- ◆ It takes more faith to believe in evolution than creation.

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