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simple life forms had developed into complex life forms during the long history of the earth. This explanation relied upon natural processes and did not require a Creator God whom they could not see. We recognize this today as evolution.

Fossils are produced when a plant or animal dies and is covered by water or aircarried material before it has a chance to decay. We would naturally expect that the Genesis Flood would have produced most of the fossils. While Job 26:5 is a difficult passage, it seems to be talking about fossil formation when it speaks of "dead things forming under the waters." Even the 1837 edition of Matthew Henry's Commentary suggests that Job is talking about fossils. The commentary even includes a drawing of a plesiosaur fossil. Most modern commentaries and Bible translations take an evolutionary view or ignore the subject.

While we cannot be absolutely certain that Job is talking about fossils, we do know that the Bible does have much to say about the material world – and when it does so, it is always accurate!

Prayer: Dear heavenly Father, I thank You that Your Word is always accurate in all that it talks about. It is accurate even in worldly subjects, and we pray will draw some to its promises about a relationship with You through Jesus Christ. In His Name. Amen.

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