

**GENESIS****Chapter SEVEN**  
**THE FLOOD****Genesis 7:1**

“Then the LORD said to Noah, “Come into the ark, you and all your household, because I have seen that you are righteous before Me in this generation.”

**The Lord Calls To Noah**

- The Lord was inside of the ark calling to Noah: “come....into the ark”
- Why was Noah righteous?
- Noah was righteous because he believed God, and thus obeyed his command (Gen 7:5; Gen 6:22).
- It’s not that Noah’s works made him righteous thus gaining him salvation. It is God Who speaks and calls Noah in His grace and Noah responds in obedience through Faith.
- A doctrine established on grace will result in a salvation by grace ending in works of grace.

**Mixing Hearing And Faith**

- Faith is not a work but is the means by which we receive the message of the gospel.
- The ability to believe is a gift given by God to all people.
- "...God has dealt to each one a measure of faith." -Rom 12:3
- Faith is given to man so that man can train his ear to hear what God has said in His word.
- There is no profit in faith if we do not hear what God has said.
- "...but the word which they heard did not profit them..." - **Hebrews 4:2**

## Unbelief

- Unbelief is the act of the will to not trust God to do what He says He will do!
- We know that "faith comes by hearing, and hearing by the word of God"-Rom. 10:17
- It is an antagonistic slap in the face of God to willfully chose not to believe Him
- We might have occasional moments of doubt when we are troubled in faith but unbelief willfully opposes faith.
- Noah put into action what he heard God say and thus he is a great hero of the faith as an example for us today.

## Obedience Is The Response Of Faith

- "Who has saved us and called us with a holy calling, not according to our works, but according to His own purpose and grace which was given to us in Christ Jesus before time began".-2 Timothy 1:9
- "Moreover whom He predestined, these He also called; whom He called, these He also justified; and whom He justified, these He also glorified."- Romans 8:30
- "...as His divine power has given to us all things that *pertain* to life and godliness, through the knowledge of Him who called us by glory and virtue..."-2 Peter 1:3
- "Through Him we have received grace and apostleship for obedience to the faith among all nations for His name, ....but now made manifest, and by the prophetic Scriptures made known to all nations, according to the commandment of the everlasting God, for obedience to the faith."-Romans 1:5;16:26

## Different kinds of Obedience

- Some people obey out of fear of not being good enough.
- Some people obey out of a sense of duty to the church.
- Some people obey out of pressure from the culture they live.
- Some people obey out of the need to please those in their church or family.
- None of these mentioned above are faith driven to obedience.

- "By faith Noah, being divinely warned of things not yet seen, moved with godly fear, prepared an ark for the saving of his household, by which he condemned the world and became heir of the righteousness which is according to faith."-- **Hebrews 11:7**

**"being divinely warned of things not yet seen..."--Heb. 11:7**

- The things that are about to happen upon the earth Noah and his family had never seen before:
- "Rain"--7:4
- "Flood"--7:10
- "fountains of the great deep were broken up"-- 7:11
- "the windows of heaven were opened"-- 7:11
- "Wind"--8:1
- The eating of meat and fear of the animals--9:1-2

**The Lord Is With Noah**

- The Lord will be with Noah in the ark as the devastation of the world's end becomes a reality to Noah and his family
- The Lord is not slack when the believer goes through a trial: **He is our anchor and hope in times of trouble!**
- "Happy is he who has the God of Jacob for his help, whose hope is in the LORD his God, Who made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that is in them..."-**Psalm 146:5-6**

**A Loss Of Wonder At God's Creation**

"Once we begin to see ourselves as our own makers, our horizons are sharply reduced. We lose our sense of mystery; awe and wonder disappear, and ultimately there is no one to turn to in gratitude for the blessings of life and the beauties of the physical world. We also lose touch with the spiritual help which we associate with a loving creator God." -James Huston, The Heart's Desire

**Genesis 7:2-3**

"You shall take with you seven each of every clean animal, a male and his female; two each of animals that are unclean, a male and his female; also seven each of birds of the air, male and female, to keep the species alive on the face of all the earth."

## "Of every clean beast"

- This is the first mention of the difference between clean and unclean animals.
- How would Noah have known? The law of unclean and clean animals did not occur until (Lev. 11) through the giving of the Mosaic law.
- God would have probably been teaching the pre-flood world about sacrifice and would have told them how to sacrifice and what to sacrifice.
- Remember Abel's sacrifice was pleasing to God.

## Why Seven Clean Animals?

- One for sacrifice upon leaving the ark (8:20)
- Six to allow for greater population of clean animals for sacrifice and food later when man became non-vegetarian (Gen 9).
- More variety, through dna information (after their kind)
- "...to keep the species[literally "seed"] alive on the face of all the earth."--Vs. 3

CLEAN AND UNCLEAN ANIMALS		
Classes	Clean	Unclean
<b>Mammals</b>	Two qualifications: 1. Cloven hoofs 2. Chewing of the cud (Lev 11:3–7; Dt 14:6–8)	Carnivores and those not meeting both "clean" qualifications
<b>Birds</b>	Those not specifically listed as forbidden	Birds of prey or scavengers (Lev 11:13–19; Dt 14:11–20)
<b>Reptiles</b>	None	All (Lev 11:29–30)
<b>Water Animals</b>	Two qualifications: 1. Fins 2. Scales (Lev 11:9–12; Dt 14:9–10)	Those not meeting both "clean" qualifications
<b>Insects</b>	Those in the grasshopper family (Lev 11:20–23)	Winged quadrupeds

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Birds		Animals		Fish	
Unclean	Clean	Unclean	Clean	Unclean	Clean
Eagle	Chicken	Bat	Antelope	Catfish	Anchovy
Hawk	Duck	Bear	Buffalo	Clam	Bluefish
Heron	Goose	Camel	Cow	Crab	Carp
Ostrich	Quail	Dolphin	Deer	Eel	Cod
Owl	Turkey	Donkey	Goat	Lobster	Flounder
Pelican	Pigeon	Horse	Locusts	Oyster	Halibut
Stork			Sheep	Scallop	Herring
Swan				Shark	Mackerel
		Most Insects		Shrimp	Pike
		Rabbit			Snapper
		Pig			Salmon
		Reptiles			Sardine
		Rodents			Sea Bass
		Snail			Smelt
		Squid			Sole
		Snake			

### **Genesis 7:4-5**

“For after seven more days I will cause it to rain on the earth forty days and forty nights, and I will destroy from the face of the earth all living things that I have made. And Noah did according to all that the LORD commanded him.”

### **"For after seven more days..."**

- “Seven days....” There will be seven years during the tribulation period
- Enoch was raptured and represents a type of the church
- Noah went into the ark and was preserved through the period of God’s wrath representing the Jewish nation
- God says, “I will cause...I will destroy” God brings the destruction of the flood upon man
- “Cause it to rain upon the earth....” It had never rained upon the earth until this moment.

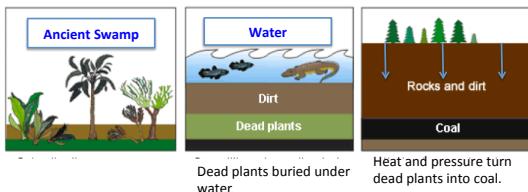
### **Forty Days And Forty Nights**

- Forty has become the number of testing and purification; especially before the coming of something new.
- Moses on Mt. Sinai (Ex 24:18; Deut. 9:25)
- Spies into Canaan (Numbers 13:25)
- Israel's time in the wilderness (Numbers 14:32;32:13)
- Elijah's journey to Mt. Horeb ( 1Kings 19:8)
- Jesus' temptation period (Mk. 1:13)

### **God Destroys All Living Things**

- Plants
- Trees
- Flesh
- Anything that grows and is living on dry land
- Vegetation would become the coal deposits that we presently have enjoy
- God Said, “...I will destroy from the face of the earth all living things that I have made.”-vs.4
- Later in Chapter Seven, God answers specifically, “All in whose nostrils was the breath of the spirit of life, all that was on the dry land, died.”-Vs. 22

### Coal Formation



### Genesis 7:6-12

"Noah was six hundred years old when the floodwaters were on the earth. So Noah, with his sons, his wife, and his sons' wives, went into the ark because of the waters of the flood.

Of clean animals, of animals that are unclean, of birds, and of everything that creeps on the earth, two by two they went into the ark to Noah, male and female, as God had commanded Noah. And it came to pass after seven days that the waters of the flood were on the earth.

In the six hundredth year of Noah's life, in the second month, the seventeenth day of the month, on that day all the fountains of the great deep were broken up, and the windows of heaven were opened. And the rain was on the earth forty days and forty nights.

### **"Noah Was Six Hundred Years Old"**

- God called Noah into the ark (7:1)
- After seven days God caused the flood (7:10)
- Noah was 600 years old when the flood occurred (7:11)
- The flood happened on the 17th day of the 2nd month (7:11)
- Noah was 601 years old when the earth was dried up (8:13)
- The detail of Noah's account of the Flood down to the year, month, and day of when the Flood occurred seems to speak to the accuracy of Noah's account compared to the worldwide traditional flood stories.

- It was the 27th day of the 2nd month when God called Noah out of the ark. (8:13,14)
- $7 + 1 \text{ year} + 10 \text{ days} = 1 \text{ year and 17 days}$  that the flood lasted upon the earth.
- "the floodwaters were on the [whole] earth"
- The Biblical context leaves no room for a local flood scenario
- The detail of Noah's account of the Flood down to the year, month, and day of when the Flood occurred seems to speak to the accuracy of Noah's account compared to the worldwide traditional flood stories.
- The animals two by two went into the ark to Noah

### **The Earth is Cracked And Opened**

- "...All the fountains of the great deep were broken up...": The earth was being cracked like an egg, and the water came spewing out.
- "The windows of heaven were opened..." A hole was placed in the water vapor canopy that had surrounded the earth from the original creation (Gen 1:7).

### **Fountains of the Deep**

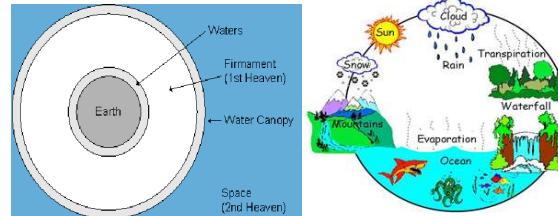
"Have you entered the springs of the sea? Or have you walked in search of the depths?"--  
**Job 38:16**



### The Earth Is Different Today

- "by which **the world that then existed** perished, being flooded with water. But the heavens and the earth **which are now** preserved..." - **2 Peter 3:6-7**
- When the flood came and the "windows of heaven" were opened it created a totally different world.
- Changes in climate, wind, radiation from the sun, higher mountains, rain and possibly continents are just a few of the changes "**which are now**".

### Then And Now

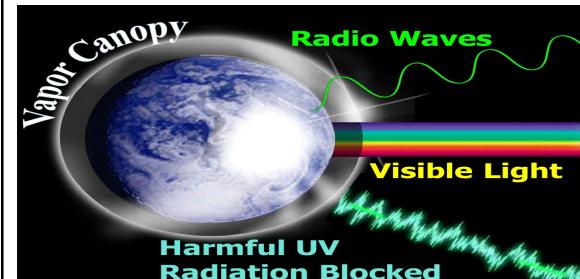


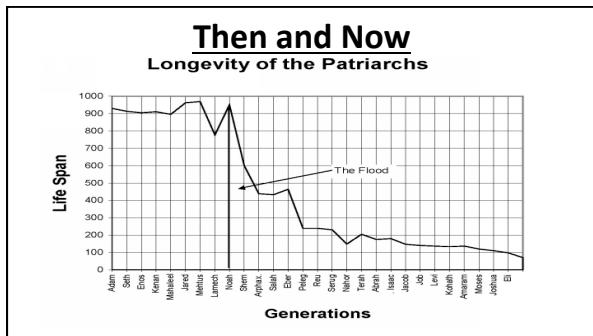
"For He draws up drops of water, which distill as rain from the mist, which the clouds drop down and pour abundantly on man." -Job 36:27-28

### Benefits To A Water Canopy

1. Uniform Temperatures
2. No Massive Wind Currents
3. No Rain
4. Large Supply Of Vegetation For Food
5. Uniform Moisture From Green House Affect
6. Serves As A Filter From Harmful Radiation From The Sun
7. Promotes An Optimum Environment For Growth And Life Longevity

### Then and Now



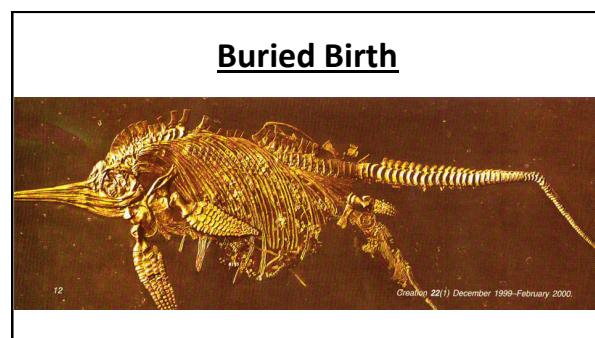


**Today's Climate**

1.	Variation In Temperature
2.	Variation in Climate
3.	Excessive Rain In Parts Of The Earth
4.	Drought and Desert Heat In Parts Of The Earth
5.	Shortage Of Food Sources
5.	Mutations From the Suns Radiation, i.e. Frogs
6.	Shortened Life Span

**Collapse Of The Canopy**

- Rain occurred for the first time
- Tidal wave activity began to happen on a large scale
- The crust of the earth's surface rose and sank with sediment and porous rocks rising
- Changes in temperature Would cause ice formation in an instant catching plant and animal life trapped
- Everything would have been instantaneous catching life in a snap shot moment.
- Global Warming: The earth has possibly been slowly getting warmer since the Ice Age



### Fighting Dinosaurs



### Mammoth Remains



The nearly-perfect preserved remains of a baby mammoth are being studied at the University of Michigan. It appears she died quite suddenly, about 40,000 years ago. "She was doing great, very healthy," ... She is so well preserved that traces of mother's milk have been found in her stomach, along with fecal residue.

weeklyworldnews.com, Article from 2009

### Genesis 7:13-16

"On the very same day Noah and Noah's sons, Shem, Ham, and Japheth, and Noah's wife and the three wives of his sons with them, entered the ark—

they and every beast after its kind, all cattle after their kind, every creeping thing that creeps on the earth after its kind, and every bird after its kind, every bird of every sort.

And they went into the ark to Noah, two by two, of all flesh in which is the breath of life. So those that entered, male and female of all flesh, went in as God had commanded him; and the LORD shut him in."

### **God Shut The Door**

- God shut the door not Noah
- The ark was salvation for Noah and his family, but condemnation for all outside of it.
- There were no second chances for those left outside of the ark
- God kept the door open until the last possible minute, but there came a time when the door had to be shut. When the door is open, it is open, but when it is shut, it is shut. Jesus is He who opens and no one shuts, and shuts and no one opens (Revelation 3:7).

### **Genesis 7:17-20**

"Now the flood was on the earth forty days. The waters increased and lifted up the ark, and it rose high above the earth. The waters prevailed and greatly increased on the earth, and the ark moved about on the surface of the waters.

And the waters prevailed exceedingly on the earth, and all the high hills under the whole heaven were covered. The waters prevailed fifteen cubits upward, and the mountains were covered."

### The Ark Floats

- The flood increased to where the ark was lifted up
- The waters prevailed until all the mountains and hills were covered under water to a depth of 22-30 feet
- The ark easily floated on the waters
- "We now know, of course, that the earth has plenty of water to launch a global flood. It has been calculated that if the earth's surface were completely flat, with no high mountains and no deep ocean basins, that water would cover the earth to a depth of about 8,000 feet."--John D. Morris

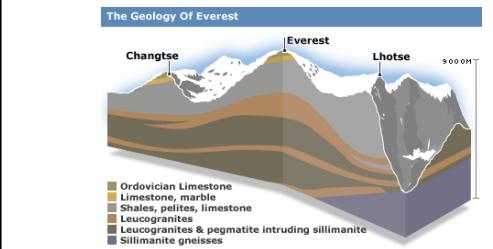
- If this was not a global flood then the size of the ark itself would have been a serious waste of time and totally unnecessary.
- If this were only a local flood then God's promise to never again bring a flood to destroy the earth would have been a lie (Genesis 9:11-17).
- If this were only a local flood then the Bible is misleading by suggesting that all of humanity is from Noah and his sons (Genesis 10).
- "If Moses had meant to describe a partial deluge upon only a small part of the earth, he used very misleading language; but if he meant to teach was that the deluge was universal, he used the very word which we might have expected that he would use."--Spurgeon

### Mountain Sea Life



- At over 29,000 feet marine fossils of clams, snails and trilobites have been found. How else could they have arrived there without a global flood as described in Genesis?

### Mt. Everest Sea Life



### Fossilized Marine Life On Everest



### Petrified Forrest



- "The evidence does not indicate that these trees grew in this area. They were transported here by current action. Further, it is evident that they were buried rapidly and catastrophically but not slowly and gradually. Dr. Dale Russell comments, "Clusters of stumps were buried upright, with some penetrating as much as 3 metres of overlying sediment --in evidence of the rapidity with which sediments accumulated." (Dale A. Russell, *An Odyssey In Time, The Dinosaurs of North America* P.31)

### **Genesis 7:21-24**

And all flesh died that moved on the earth: birds and cattle and beasts and every creeping thing that creeps on the earth, and every man. All in whose nostrils was the breath of the spirit of life, all that was on the dry land, died.

So He destroyed all living things which were on the face of the ground: both man and cattle, creeping thing and bird of the air. They were destroyed from the earth. Only Noah and those who were with him in the ark remained alive. And the waters prevailed on the earth one hundred and fifty days."

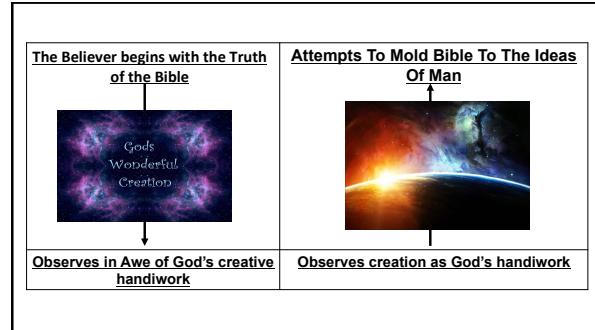
### **Catastrophic Destruction Of Life**



In Agate Springs, Nebraska a fossil graveyard of around 9,000 animals was found buried in alluvial deposits. The remains of hundreds of rhinos, three-toed horses, camels, giant wild boars, birds, plants, trees, sea shells and fish are mixed and intermingled in great confusion. In Tanzania, Belgium and Mongolia similar massive ruins captured vast populations and trapped them in a fossil graveyard of sediments and debris.

## Surrounding Evidence Supports Biblical Narrative

The believer begins with the Bible and then observes the physical, cultural, and biological evidence around him. There are no arguments that will prove to a non-believing world that the Biblical record in Genesis is true. However, the believer accepts the word of God by faith, and at the same time insists that the Bible is true. Therefore the evidence should and does support the Bible because God created the scientific order. Anti-creationists start with the evidence and then attempt to mold the Bible to fit an alternate Biblical record.



“Listen to this, O Job; stand still and consider the wondrous works of God. Do you know when God dispatches them, and causes the light of His cloud to shine? Do you know how the clouds are balanced, those wondrous works of Him who is perfect in knowledge?”-**Job 37-14-16**