

# Genesis 7

## The Flood

# The Flood of Noah

**a year-long global catastrophe that destroyed the pre-Flood world, reshaped the continents, buried billions of creatures, and laid down the rock layers. It was God's judgment on man's wickedness. Only eight righteous people and representatives of every kind of land animal were spared aboard the Ark.**

## Psalm 29:10

The LORD **sat** enthroned  
over the flood, and the  
LORD **sits** as king forever.

## Psalm 104:5-9

**[God] Who laid the foundations of the earth, that it should not be removed for ever. Thou covered it with the deep as with a garment: the waters stood above the mountains. At thy rebuke they fled; at the voice of thy thunder they hasted away.**



## Psalm 104:5-9

**Psa 104:8 They go up by the mountains;  
they go down by the valleys unto the place  
which thou hast founded for them.**

**Psa 104:9 Thou hast set a bound that they  
may not pass over; that they turn not again  
to cover the earth.**





# Before the Flood



# Canopy Theory





## Genesis 1:6 – Canopy Theory

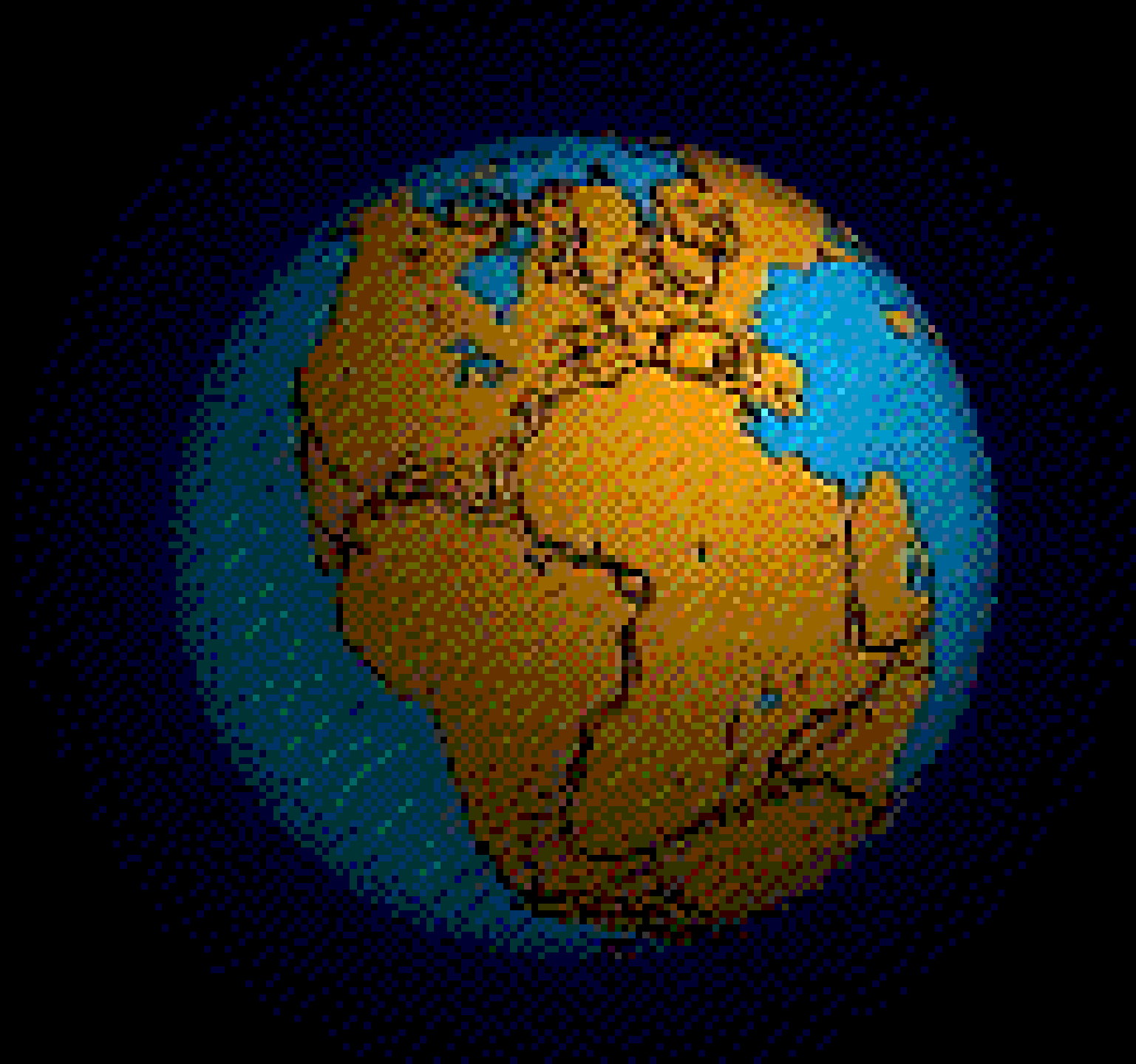
Theory: canopy of water above the atmosphere until the flood of Noah's day, thru which it collapsed upon the earth or dissipating into space.

Consisted of water vapor or a canopy of ice.



# Pangean Supercontinent (Genesis 1:19; 10:25)





# The Ark as a Type



1. The ark was provided by God - Christ provided by God for salvation (Gen. 6:13-14).
2. God gave the plans for the means of salvation (The Ark). Likewise, God gave the plan for salvation in Christ alone. (Genesis 6:14-15)

3. Like Christ, the Ark was a place of safety (Gen. 6:17).
4. Must 'enter in' (Genesis 6:18).
  - a. responded to God's call (7:1)
  - b. Come by faith in God's promise (Heb. 11:7).
  - c. had to enter individually (John 10:9)
  - d. One door in Ark – Jesus is the door

5. A limited-time offer (Genesis 7:16)
6. The Flood was unexpected...just as Christ's Second Coming is unexpected (Matt. 24:37-39)

That's A Lot of Water  
(Hydrologically Speaking)



**Genesis 7–8** - “all the fountains of the **great deep**” were broken up and water poured upward from inside the earth for 150 days (five months). The floodgates or windows of heaven were opened, and torrential rain fell globally for **40 days and nights**.

# 40 Days & Nights

A time of testing and purification before something new and significant

- ◆ Moses' time on Mount Sinai (Exo 24:18, Deu 9:25).
- ◆ The spies' trip to Canaan (Num 13:25).
- ◆ Israel's time in the wilderness (Num 14:33; 32:13).
- ◆ Elijah's miraculous journey to Sinai (1Ki 19:8).
- ◆ Jesus' temptation in the wilderness (Mar 1:13).

**As a result, all the high hills and the mountains—the whole earth—was covered by a global ocean. All air-breathing life on land was swept away and perished. Second Peter 3:6 confirms, “The world that then existed was deluged with water and perished.”**

# When a Rock is Not a Rock

(Geologically Speaking)



**Hard** rock is brittle.

**Unhardened** rock can bend.

Water deposits sediments in a rock layer, some water is trapped. As other layers are laid on top of them the pressure squeezes out much of the water. As the sediment dries, the chemicals in the water between the grains convert into a natural cement.

**Tapeats Sandstone can be seen in  
Carbon Canyon (Grand Canyon).  
These sandstone layers were bent 90°  
(a right angle), yet the rock was not  
fractured or broken at the hinge of the  
fold, as would be expected with  
ancient brittle rocks.**







**Marine Fossils High on Mountains**

**Huge Fossil Graveyards Worldwide**

**Perfectly Preserved Fossils**

**Sedimentary Layers Worldwide**

**No Sign of Millions of Years Between Layers**

Think of the Fish  
(or, go with the flow)

# The Gravity of the Situation

When one water solution is denser than another, the less-dense water floats on top. Think about what that means. Rivers could flow through the ocean without mixing. Even during Noah's Flood, different kinds of water could carry different kinds of fish without mixing.

The waters of the Amazon can support freshwater fish for nearly 100 miles into the Atlantic Ocean.

Colder water with more salt flows down deep for thousands of miles around the globe, while warmer, less-dense currents flow above the colder. Ocean currents can travel for many months without mixing.





# Don't Be Salty

**Fresh water fish surviving in salt water**

**Freshwater fish absorb water because of the saltiness of their body (osmosis), whereas saltwater fish lose water because the surrounding water is saltier than their body fluids.**

**Marine organisms can survive large salinity changes**

Did it rain Prior to the Flood of Noah  
(Genesis 2:5-6)

Now no shrub of the field was yet in the earth, and no plant of the field had yet sprouted, for (because) the Lord God had not sent rain upon the earth, and there was no man to cultivate the ground (until Adam created). 6 But a mist used to rise from the earth and water the whole surface of the ground (Gen. 2:5-6).



# Materials of the Ark

**Gopher wood (6:15)**

**Pitched inside and out**

**(why: normally just the outside)**

## Size of the Ark

**Gen. 6:15** – 300 x 50 x 30 cubits

Cubit = 18 in. (average) up to 24 in.

**Smallest dimension:**

450 feet long x 75 feet wide x 45 feet  
high (1.8 million cu. ft.)

How Did All Those Animals  
Fit on the Ark



# Animals on the Ark

“**kinds**”: baramin [bara-created], [min-kind]

**any group of organisms that shares bottom level taxonomic orphan genes; which shares no homologous relationship with any other genes in any other populations.**

species, genus, family, order, class, phylum, kingdom,  
and domain.

# Animals on the Ark

- ◆ **Fewer than 1.8 million documented species**
- ◆ Over 98 percent of those species are fish, invertebrates, and non-animals (like plants and bacteria)
- ◆ **This means that there are fewer than 34,000 species of known, land-dependent vertebrates in the world today**

# Animals on the Ark

God created plants and animals to reproduce after their **kinds** (Genesis 1:11–25), and it is clear from various texts that a **kind** is often a broader category than the current concept of a **species**. Therefore, **species** are simply varying expressions of a particular **kind**.





**Subspecies:** *Canus lupus familiaris*

**Species:** *Canis lupus*

**Genus:** *Canis*

**Family:** Canidae

**Order:** Carnivora

**Class:** Mammalia

**Phylum:** Chordata

**Kingdom:** Animalia

**Domain:** Eukarya



## Animals on the Ark

Coyotes, wolves, dingoes, and domestic dogs can generally interbreed. Thus, they can be lumped into the same **kind**.

So, Noah just needed two members of the **dog kind** on the ark.



# Animals on the Ark

**It makes more sense to think  
that God would have sent  
juveniles or smaller varieties  
within the same kind to Noah.**

**Take up less space.**

**Eat less.**

**Create less waste.**

**Easier to manage.**

**Can withstand more (resilient).**

**Juveniles would have more time to reproduce after the flood.**

# Animals on the Ark

**The vast majority of animals were smaller than a beagle. Juvenile Dinosaurs and Elephants being some of the exceptions.**

around 1,400 animal **kinds** on the ark

fewer than 7,000 animals on board the ark



## Animals on the Ark

**Just as Noah trusted God concerning unseen things, so too we should trust God in the things we cannot or have not witnessed.**

**Heb. 11:7** - By faith Noah, being warned of God of things **not seen as yet**, moved with fear, prepared an ark

Was the Flood  
Worldwide or Local

# Worldwide or Local Flood

- ◆ Says water covered the highest mountain (therefore it ran down the other side as well)
- ◆ All flesh with breath in body perished
- ◆ Sign of the Rainbow Covenant (if local, God lied)



# 120 Years to Build the Ark?

Noah didn't have his sons until age 500.

He was age 600 when the flood came.

The Ark was for Noah, his wife,  
his sons, and his son's wives.

# Gospel

**Only One Ark (No other name under  
Heaven given among men whereby we  
must be saved)**

**One Door (I am the door of the  
Sheepfold)**

**God closed the door (sealed them)**

# Gospel

**God invited them to “come”, not “go”.**

**God was with them in the Ark.**

**Everyone who entered the Ark were  
saved**



## 3 Groups of People

**Those who died in the Flood**

**The Remnant Preserved thru Flood**

**Enoch Translated prior to Judgment**

**(Christ's Body the Church is One)**