

# Genesis 6–9

## The Flood and Continuation of the Messianic Promise

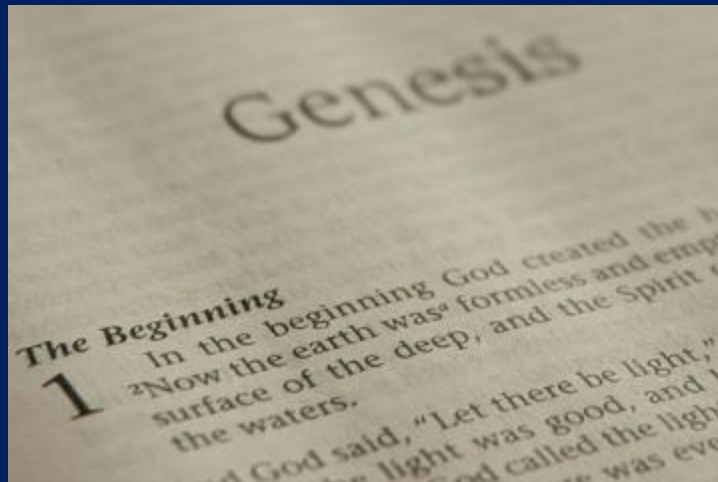


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# The Flood

(Gen 6–9)

- Events before the flood (Gen 6)
- The flood (Gen 7)
- The abating of the waters (Gen 8)
- Events following the flood (Gen 9)



# Genesis 6 Outline

- I. God's Grief (Gen 6:1-7)
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- A. The specific sin (6:1-4)
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1. Population – Gen. 6:1
2. Procreation – Gen. 6:2
3. Patience – Gen. 6:3
4. Product – Gen. 6:4



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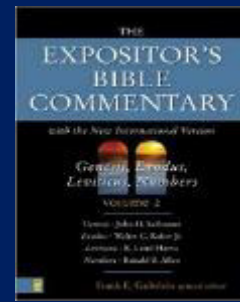
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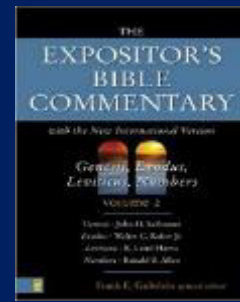


“By speaking evil concerning the land, **the faithless spies were speaking evil of him.** At this point their words became exaggerations and distortions. The Anakites (who were of large size) were now said to be Nephilim, the race of giants described briefly in the mysterious context of the cohabitation of the sons of God and the daughters of men (Gen 6:4). **The use of the term Nephilim seems to be deliberately provocative of fear, a term not unlike the concept of bogeymen and hobgoblins.** The exaggeration of the faithless led them to their final folly: ‘We seemed like grasshoppers in our own eyes, and we looked the same to them.’ ” We have noted the possible use of rhetorical . . .



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“ . . . exaggeration, hyperbole, in the numbers of the tribes of Israel—power numbers to bring encouragement to the nation in the confidence they must have in the fulfillment of the promises of God (see Introduction, sections on large numbers). In the report of the evil spies, we see that rhetorical exaggeration can work both ways. By describing themselves as mere grasshoppers in the sight of the fabulous Nephilim, they frightened the sandals off the people and led a nation to grievous sin of unbelief against their caring God.”



## 1 Peter 3:19-20

“<sup>19</sup> in which also He went and made proclamation the spirits *now in prison*, <sup>20</sup> who once were disobedient, when the patience of God kept waiting in the days of Noah, during the construction of the ark, in which a few, that is, eight persons, were brought safely through *the water*.”



## 2 Peter 2:4-5

“<sup>4</sup> For if God did not spare angels when they sinned, but cast them into hell and committed them to pits of darkness, reserved for judgment; <sup>5</sup> and did not spare the ancient world, but preserved Noah, a preacher of righteousness, with seven others, when He brought a flood upon the world of the ungodly.”

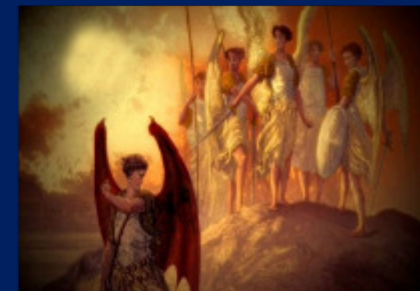


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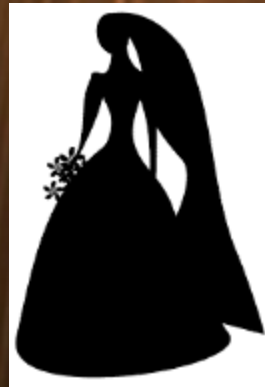
# Genesis 1:26-28

<sup>26</sup> Then God said, “Let Us make man in Our image, according to Our likeness; and let them rule over the fish of the sea and over the birds of the sky and over the cattle and over all the earth, and over every creeping thing that creeps on the earth.” <sup>27</sup> God created man in His own image, in the image of God He created him; male and female He created them. <sup>28</sup> God blessed them; and God said to them, “Be fruitful and multiply, and fill the earth, and subdue it; and rule over the fish of the sea and over the birds of the sky and over every living thing that moves on the earth.”



# Genesis 2:24

For this reason a man shall leave his father and his mother, and be joined to his wife; and they shall become one flesh.



## Matthew 19:3-6

<sup>3</sup> *Some* Pharisees came to Jesus, testing Him and asking, “Is it lawful *for a man* to divorce his wife for any reason at all?” <sup>4</sup> And He answered and said, “Have you not read that He who created *them* from the beginning MADE THEM MALE AND FEMALE, <sup>5</sup> and said, ‘FOR THIS REASON A MAN SHALL LEAVE HIS FATHER AND MOTHER AND BE JOINED TO HIS WIFE, AND THE TWO SHALL BECOME ONE FLESH’? <sup>6</sup> “SO THEY ARE NO LONGER TWO, BUT ONE FLESH. WHAT THEREFORE GOD HAS JOINED TOGETHER, LET NO MAN SEPARATE.”

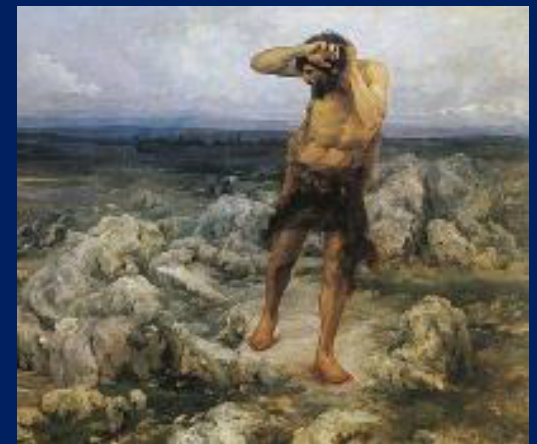


## II. Ungodly Line of Cain

(Gen 4:16-24)

GENESIS  
THE BOOK OF BEGINNINGS

- A. Evil line that will not bring forth the Messiah (Gen 3:15)
  1. Continuation of Cain's line (4:16-18)
  2. Immorality (4:19)
  3. Technological but not spiritual advancement (4:20-22)
  4. More immorality (4:23a)
  5. Violence (4:23b)
  6. Humanistic (4:24)





## Revelation 9:20-21

“The rest of mankind, who were not killed by these plagues, did not repent of the works of their hands, so as not to worship demons, and the idols of gold and of silver and of brass and of stone and of wood, which can neither see nor hear nor walk; <sup>21</sup> and they did not repent of their murders nor of their sorceries (pharmakeia) nor of their immorality nor of their thefts.”



# Baker Faces Prison for Refusing to Bake Same-Sex Wedding Cake

“Jack Phillips is a baker who declined to bake a wedding cake for a same-sex couple because his Christian belief is that marriage exists only between a man and woman. Now a Colorado judge has ordered him to bake cakes for same-sex marriages, and if Phillips refuses, he could go to jail.”

Ken Klukowski, “Baker Faces Prison for Refusing to Bake Same-Sex Wedding Cake,” online: <http://www.breitbart.com/Big-Government/2013/12/12/Christian-Baker-Willing-to-Go-to-Jail-for-Declining-Gay-Wedding-Cake>, 12 December 2013, accessed 16 May 2014.

# Oregon Declares War on Aaron & Melissa Klein

“In yet another example of gay activist overreach, an Oregon official has not only burdened a Christian couple with a ridiculous fine, he has imposed a gag order on them...In one of the most egregious anti-Christian acts committed by a state official in recent memory, Oregon Labor Commissioner Brad Avakian not only upheld the ridiculous \$135,000 fine levied against **Aaron and Melissa Klein** for declining to bake a cake for a lesbian commitment ceremony, but he ordered the Kleins to ‘cease and desist’ from making any public comments about their religious convictions relative to this case.”

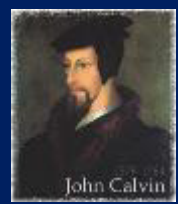


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- What total depravity *is not*:
  - ◆ Man is as evil as he can possibly be & indulges every possible sin
  - ◆ Man is incapable of doing good things
    - ◆ Gen. 3:22
    - ◆ Matt. 7:11
    - ◆ Acts 10:1-2
    - ◆ Rom. 2:14-15

## Genesis 3:22

“Then the Lord God said, ‘Behold, the man has become like one of Us, knowing good and evil; and now, he might stretch out his hand, and take also from the tree of life, and eat, and live forever’ —.”



# Matthew 7:11

**“If you then, being evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will your Father who is in heaven give what is good to those who ask Him!”**



## Romans 2:14-15

“<sup>14</sup> For when Gentiles who do not have the Law do instinctively the things of the Law, these, not having the Law, are a law to themselves, <sup>15</sup> in that they show the work of the Law written in their hearts, their conscience bearing witness and their thoughts alternately accusing or else defending them.”

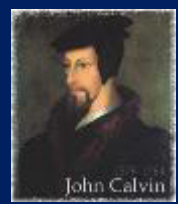




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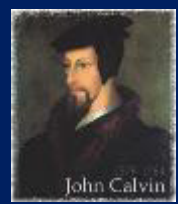
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    - ◆ Intellect (Prov. 3:5-6; 14:12; 2 Cor. 4:4; Rom. 3:11a)
    - ◆ Conscience (1 Tim 4:2)
    - ◆ Will (Rom 1:28; 3:11b)
    - ◆ Deeds (Rom. 3:12)
    - ◆ Speech (Rom. 3:13-14)
    - ◆ Feet (Rom. 3:15)



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    - ◆ Heart (Mark 7:21; Eph 4:18)
    - ◆ Body (Gen 3:19; Rom. 8:23)
    - ◆ Total being (Rom 1:18–3:20)
  - ◆ Man is incapable of earning merit favor from God (Isa 64:6; Eph. 2:8-9)



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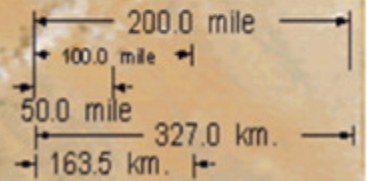
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# ABRAHAM'S JOURNEY JOSHUA 24:2-3

- Abraham's Journey
- - - (To Egypt)
- Jacob's Flight
- Eliezer Brings Rebekah to Isaac
- Approximate Location



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# Romans 3:23

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## Matt. 7:21-23

<sup>21</sup> “Not everyone who says to Me, ‘Lord, Lord,’ will enter the kingdom of heaven, but he who does the will of My Father who is in heaven *will enter*. <sup>22</sup> Many will say to Me on that day, ‘Lord, Lord, did we not prophesy in Your name, and in Your name cast out demons, and in Your name perform many miracles?’ <sup>23</sup> And then I will declare to them, ‘**I never knew you;** DEPART FROM ME, YOU WHO PRACTICE LAWLESSNESS.’”





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# Noah Spared



- Genesis 3:15
- Genesis 5:1 (Adam) to Genesis 5:32 (Noah)
- Genesis 6:9
- Genesis 7:1

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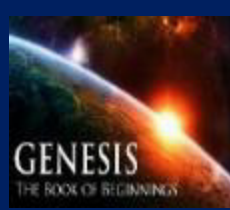
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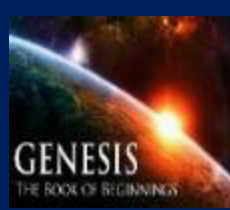
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3. Generations of Adam (5:1–6:8)
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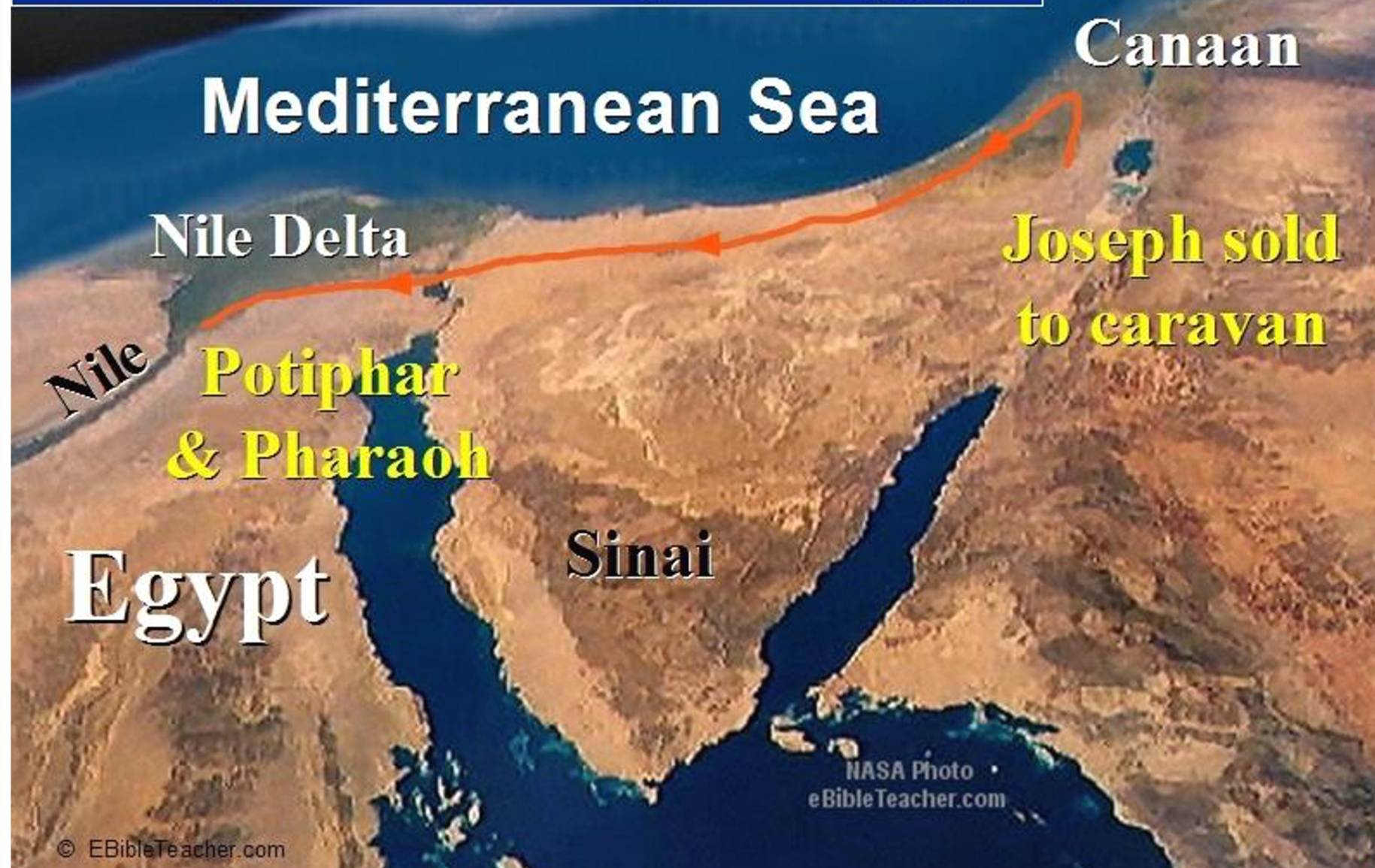
# Toledoth

*“And These Are the Generations of...”*



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2. Generations of the heaven and earth (2:4–4:26)
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# Joseph's Journey to Egypt





## Luke 1:1-4

“<sup>1</sup> Since many have undertaken to compile an account of the things accomplished among us, <sup>2</sup> just as they were handed down to us by those who from the beginning were eyewitnesses and servants of the word, <sup>3</sup> it seemed fitting to me as well, having investigated everything carefully from the beginning, to write it out for you in an orderly sequence, most excellent Theophilus; <sup>4</sup> so that you may know the exact truth about the things you have been taught.”







## II. God's Grace (Gen 6:8-10)

- A. The object (6:8)
- B. The results (6:9)
- C. The descendants (6:10)



## Geographical Distribution Of The Sons Of Noah

The three sons of Noah migrated to different areas. The Semites occupied the Tigris–Euphrates valley and most of Arabia; the Japhethites moved north, around the Black Sea, and even west to Spain; the Hamites went south into lower Asia Minor, coastal Syria and Palestine, and the Red Sea coast of Arabia, but principally into Africa.



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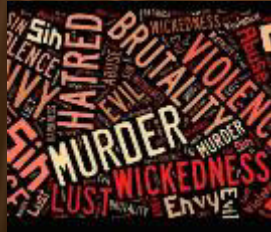
## Genesis 1:1-3

“<sup>1</sup> In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth. <sup>2</sup> The earth was formless and void, and darkness was over the surface of the deep, and the Spirit of God was moving over the surface of the waters. <sup>3</sup> Then God said, ‘Let there be light’; and there was light.”



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## John 13:19; 14:29

“<sup>19</sup> From now on I am telling you before *it* comes to pass, so that when it does occur, you may believe that I am *He*... <sup>14:29</sup> Now I have told you before it happens, so that when it happens, you may believe.”



# Christ's Short-Term Predictions

## Prophecy

## Scripture

Betrayal by a Friend

John 13:21

Three-fold Denial by Peter

Matthew 26:34, 75

Manner of His Own Death

Matthew 20:18-19

Manner of Disciples' Deaths

John 21:18-22

AD 70 Events

Luke 19:41-44

# Tertullian

*Prescription Against Heretics, 36*



*“...where the Apostle John was first plunged, unhurt, into boiling oil, and thence remitted to his island-exile!”*

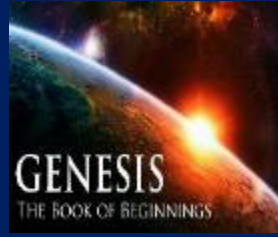
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# Genesis 4 Outline



- I. First murder (Gen 4:1-15)
- II. Ungodly line of Cain (4:16-24)
- III. Godly line of Seth (4:25-26)

## II. Ungodly Line of Cain

(Gen 4:16-24)



GENESIS  
THE BOOK OF BEGINNINGS

A. Evil line that will not bring forth the Messiah  
(Gen 3:15)

1. Continuation of Cain's line (4:16-18)

2. Immorality (4:19)

3. Technological but not spiritual advancement  
(4:20-22)

4. Violence (4:23-24)



# Genesis 1:26-28

<sup>26</sup> Then God said, “Let Us make man in Our image, according to Our likeness; and let them rule over the fish of the sea and over the birds of the sky and over the cattle and over all the earth, and over every creeping thing that creeps on the earth.” <sup>27</sup> God created man in His own image, in the image of God He created him; male and female He created them. <sup>28</sup> God blessed them; and God said to them, “Be fruitful and multiply, and fill the earth, and subdue it; and rule over the fish of the sea and over the birds of the sky and over every living thing that moves on the earth.”



# Genesis 9:6

“Whoever sheds man’s blood, By man his blood shall be shed, For in the image of God He made man.”





## Revelation 9:20-21

“The rest of mankind, who were not killed by these plagues, did not repent of the works of their hands, so as not to worship demons, and the idols of gold and of silver and of brass and of stone and of wood, which can neither see nor hear nor walk; <sup>21</sup> and they did not repent of their murders nor of their sorceries (pharmakeia) nor of their immorality nor of their thefts.”





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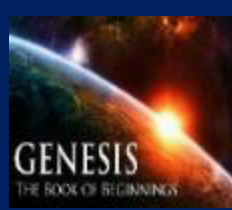
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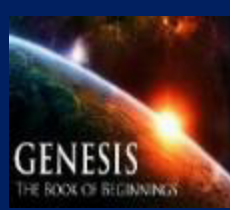
# Dimensions of the Ark

- Biblical flood account
- Pagan flood accounts (300)
- Similarities and differences



# Hugh Ross

*The Genesis Question* (Navpress,  
Colorado Springs, CO 1998), 164-65.



“First, when God pours out judgment, He gives ample warning ahead of time. He sends a spokesperson, a prophet, and gives that prophet a kind of platform from which to be heard. For the antediluvians, Noah was that prophet and the scaffolding around the ark was his platform.”

# Biblical vs. Babylonian Flood Account

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# Biblical vs. Babylonian Creation Account

## GENESIS

- **Purpose: praise God**
- **Starts with the deep**
- **Sequence of days**
- **Ex nihilo (by speech)**
- **Waters divided above & below firmament**
- **Man to rule creation**
- **Man created from the soil**

## ENUMA ELISH

- **Purpose: praise Marduk**
- **Starts with the deep**
- **No sequence of days**
- **Creation from formerly existing matter**
- **Waters divided above and below corpse of Tiamat**
- **Man created to ease the God's work load**
- **Man created from a slain super hero**

# Explanation of Similarities & Differences Between the Biblical and Pagan Flood Accounts

- The pagans accounts (Babylonian creation – *Enuma Elish* & flood – *Gilgamesh*) borrowed from the Bible? – Unlikely since some pagan accounts (1800 B.C.) precede the time when Gen. was written (1446 B.C.)
- The Bible borrowed from the pagan accounts? – A possibility



# Explanation of Similarities & Differences Between the Biblical and Pagan Flood Accounts

- Common source
  - ◆ Historical event
  - ◆ Noahic Bible
  - ◆ *Toledoth*
  - ◆ Spreading knowledge of historical event into all early cultures
  - ◆ Paganism's adjustment (monotheism, sin, ethics)-Rom. 1:18-32
  - ◆ God's readjustment-correction through Moses





# Dr. Arnold G. Fruchtenbaum

*The Book of Genesis Record, 142*



“The eleventh observation is connected with archeology. There are two kings’ lists from archeology that reflect what is happening in this chapter. The first is the Sumerian King List from Sumer in Mesopotamia, dating from about the year 2000 B.C. It lists a total of ten kings, with a total of 241,200 years. That is an average of about 24,000 years per king. Therefore, the concept of longevity of ten generations is something reflected in the Sumerian King List.”





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“It is also interesting that after the list of the ten kings, it then adds, ‘and then the flood came.’ The flood came with the tenth, just as it is in this Genesis 5 passage. The second is the Berussos King List. Berussos was a Babylonian priest of the third century B.C., and he also lists ten kings before the flood.”



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## John 20:30-31

“<sup>30</sup> Therefore many other signs Jesus also performed in the presence of the disciples, which are not written in this book; <sup>31</sup> but these have been written so that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God; and that believing you may have life in His name.”



# "7 SIGNS" in Gospel of John



**Changing Water into Wine**

**2:11**

**Healing official's son**

**4:46-54**



**Healing an invalid at the Pool of Bethesda**

**5:1-18**

**Feeding the 5,000**

**6:5-14**



**Walking on water**

**6:16-21**

**Healing a blind man**

**9:1-7**

**Raising dead Lazarus**

**11:1-45**





# 7 “I AM” statements in John



I am the Bread of Life

6:35

I am the Light of the world

8:12

I am the Gate for the sheep

10:7; cf. v.9

I am the Good Shepherd

10:11,14

I am the Resurrection and the Life

11:25

I am the Way and the Truth and the Life

14:6

I am the true Vine

15:1; cf. v.5



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# Noahic vs. Abrahamic & Mosaic Covenants

Name	<b>NOAHIC</b>	<b>ABRAHAMIC</b>	<b>MOSAIC</b>
Human agent	<b>Noah</b>	<b>Abraham</b>	<b>Moses</b>
Scripture	<b>Gen. 8–9</b>	<b>Gen. 12–17</b>	<b>Exod. 19–40</b>
Covenant ( <i>Berith</i> )	<b>Gen. 9:9</b>	<b>Gen. 15:18</b>	<b>Exod. 19:5</b>
Party	<b>World, humanity</b>	<b>Israel, Hebrews</b>	<b>Israel, Hebrews</b>
Israel	<b>Pre-Israel</b>	<b>Post-Israel</b>	<b>Post-Israel</b>

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Covenant	<b>NOAHIC</b>	<b>ABRAHAMIC</b>	<b>MOSAIC</b>
Conditional or unconditional	<b>Unconditional</b>	<b>Unconditional</b>	<b>Conditional</b>
Promises	<b>No more flood judgment, enduring earth, capital punishment</b>	<b>Ownership of land, seed, and blessing</b>	<b>Enjoyment or possession of land, seed, and blessing</b>
Sign	<b>Rainbow</b>	<b>Circumcision</b>	<b>Sabbath</b>
Purpose	<b>Restrain &amp; preserve</b>	<b>Redemptive</b>	<b>Redemptive</b>
Directly binding today?	<b>Yes</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>No</b>



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# Genesis 8:21

The Lord smelled the soothing aroma; and the Lord said to Himself, “I will never again curse the ground on account of man, for the intent of man’s heart is evil from his youth; and I will never again destroy every living thing, as I have done.[emphasis mine].



# Genesis 3:15

“And I will put enmity Between you and the woman,  
And between your seed and her seed; He shall bruise  
you on the head, And you shall bruise him on the  
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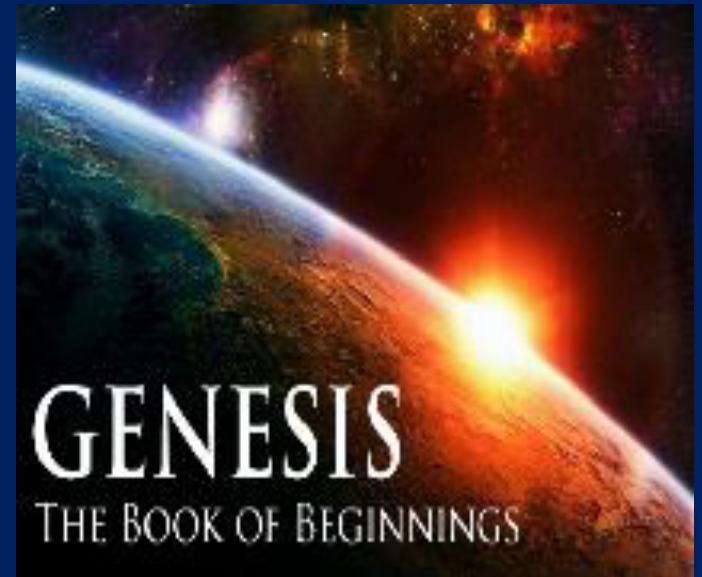




# How Did Noah Fit All of the Animals on to the Ark?

(John 3:12)

- No
  - ◆ Sea creatures (6:20)
  - ◆ Insects (7:22)
  - ◆ Plants (6:20)



# How Did Noah Fit All of the Animals on to the Ark?

(John 3:12)

## ■ Limitations

- ◆ Seven pairs or just sevens? (7:2)
- ◆ Only clean animals (7:2; Lev 11; Deut 14)
- ◆ Kind (6:20)
- ◆ Extinct animals overstated
- ◆ Not fully grown
- ◆ Hybernation



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[ Polar Bear ]



[ Giant Panda ]



[ Spectacled Bear ]



[ Brown Bear ]



**ARK BEARS**



[ Sloth Bear ]



[ American Black Bear ]



[ Asian Black Bear ]



[ Sun Bear ]



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Conclusion

# GENESIS STRUCTURE

## I. Genesis 1-11 (four events)

A. Creation (1-2)

B. Fall (3-5)

C. Flood (6-9)

D. National dispersion (10-11)







# The Flood

(Gen 6–9)

- Events before the flood (Gen 6)
- The flood (Gen 7)
- The abating of the waters (Gen 8)
- Events following the flood (Gen 9)



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