

## Creation – part 10

### We saw last time the Ark and the Flood

The Ark was of optimum design characteristics: 6 to 1 ratio of width to length making it incredibly stable.

Mock ups of the ark have been constructed and tested and it was found to withstand incredible forces.

How could it have been big enough?

- Only land animals were aboard.
- Never says they were adult animals.

How did they care for these animals that long?

- No windows in the ark—dark for year! Dark for a good length of time changes animal behavior.
- Hibernation limits animals' needs greatly.

The full-orbed explanation of how it all got here: [Genesis 1:1](#)

### Science is knowledge

- What is knowledge? The stuff you can know.
- How do you know it? You see and others know it because it is repeatable.
- Therefore, if you can't see it or it can't be repeated in front of you, you do not know it at least on a scientific level.
- When you don't know it but are convinced of it nonetheless, you are no longer in realm of science; you are now in the realm of belief or faith.

The Bible is not a science book, and it is mistake to use it that way.

- The Bible is the record of God's dealings with humanity and humanities response to Him.
- God is supernatural, so, there is nothing on the natural/scientific level that can in any way explain Him.
- In fact, to attempt to explain God and what He has done on a natural level is a denial of the supernatural—“there has to be a way to explain this”? No, *there doesn't have to be a scientific explanation* --In fact, there for sure isn't one if indeed it was miraculous/supernatural.

Likewise, the origins of all that is, which is clearly and concisely put forward in Genesis, does not pretend to be scientific at all.

--A 6-day creation out of nothing has no natural or scientific explanation.

--Evolution like Creation is not scientific but is instead a belief system to explain how we got here.

--It is not scientific any more than a 6-day creation is and for the same reasons.

If Genesis 1-3 is not accurate and if God does not say what He means and mean what He says, then we have no basis to believe those things about any other part of Scripture.

We only have two choices: either we believe Genesis or we do not.

- We dare not add to what the scriptures say as does theistic evolution, or day-age theory, or progressive creationism.
- We dare not take away from what God has said and subtract the creation from the text.
- Either you take it at face value, because it will not allow you to do anything else, or you do not.

Either we believe the **revelation** of the divine equation: God times nothing equals everything.

**Genesis 1:1**

--Or we believe the **speculation** of fallen men: No one times nothing equals everything.

--Either you believe that God did create the Heavens and the Earth or you do not.

--If you believe that He did, you have no other explanation for how He did it than the plain the text of Genesis 1 and 2.

What is at stake can be summed up in specific questions: Do we have a purpose for being here? Is there any moral distinction between me killing pests like termites and scorpions and me killing people I deem as pests? Who is in control here? Who is sovereign in this universe? Who makes the rules and enforces them? Will we have to answer to anyone about how we live?

**The weird thing is that the majority position in Christian academia is that evolution is true, the earth is ancient, there was no flood of Noah.**

--If you really want to know where a school is in regard to the inspiration of Scripture, find out their position on the first 3 chapters of the Bible.

What kind of issues are involved in saying this?:

1. Claiming that God is liar or at best misinformed – **Genesis 9:11** – God promises to never do this again, so if this was only a local flood, then God had broken His promise thousands of times.

--**Peter 3:3-7** – The Bible predicts this modern amnesia

--The flood was so different than anything that the world had seen before or since that it could be easily misjudged by current standards.

2. Claiming the Bible doesn't say what it clearly does say

– Every mountain covered; every living thing killed – the text uses 30 some-odd universal terms to refer to the scope of this event. Thus, **either it was universal or the text is an outright lie.**

--More than a year of water and 150 days for the flood with water over the mountains = thousands of feet of water. **Genesis 7:17-8:5**

“Just the mountains they knew about were flooded –Ok, Mount Ararat (16,800 feet above sea level) is where the Ark came to rest **Genesis 8:4**

--If this was even half way up its slope (the base starts somewhere around 4,000 feet above sea level), that would mean that the earth was covered by thousands of feet of water.

--Most of earth is closer to sea level than the top of Ararat—the average height of dry land today is 1500 feet above sea level.

--One-inch square of water one foot high exerts over 15 pounds per square inch.

--What kind of pressure would a minimum of 4,000 feet of water exert? **60,000 pounds per square inch.**

--Mt. Ararat at 16,800 feet above sea level, if that was the tallest mountain being covered by water, that would have given us 240,000 PSI!

--That would explain the massive fossilization as well the creation of oil and coal from plants in animals at the abundance that we see in the planet.

There is also tons of evidence that sea level was much lower back then than it is now: great rivers often have cuts in the bedrock that extend out to the continental shelf demonstrating that water levels were quite a bit lower.

3. Claiming that they were better informed than Jesus or the New Testament writers.

- Hebrews 11:7 – He condemned the world not just his general area.
- II Peter 2:5-10 – The enormity and universality of what is coming upon the world has a clear and precise prototype: the universal flood.

Jesus believed in and referred to the flood –Matthew 24:37-39

- Jesus ties His judgement of the world at His return to the thoroughness of the flood event.

- Either Jesus was fooled about the past and what's coming in the future or we are.