

Noah's Flood

Did Such A Flood Occur? Why Did It Happen?

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Introduction: The Modern Mindset

The evolutionary world has managed to convince a lot of people that the Bible's account of Noah's Flood is a myth. It has even gone as far as to make it a "laughing stock" for anyone who holds onto to such bedtime stories. The liberal side of theology has relegated it to the category of lessons from legends as this church sign indicates: *"Taking the Bible seriously; although, not literally."* The academics and free thinkers, the intellectuals and sophisticates, the rich, powerful, and elite, have settled the issue and leave us with little doubt that Noah's Flood is a fanciful made up story to scare people about God's judgment. Not only is Noah's Flood branded not real, neither is Sodom and Gomorrah, Jericho's walls falling down, Samson's strength, the giants of Goliath, and the long ages that people are recorded to have lived before the flood. Most certainly, the Garden of Eden with Adam and Eve, and especially the creation account of beginnings (among the other obviously exaggerated stories contained in the Bible), are untrue (literally). They are fables, stories, myths and legends told by patriarchal old men to keep the people in fear of God. Moses wrote the first five books of the Bible was he foolish? Was Moses, the man of God validated by God's signs, wonders, and miracles, mistaken? Keep these words in mind from the savior:

John 5:46 **"For if you believed Moses, you would believe Me; for he wrote about Me.**

7 “But if you do not believe his writings, how will you believe My words?”

I was a student under an Old Testament professor that declared to us that he had studied for 40 years the languages, the contexts of the accounts (with other ancient scrolls), the nuances, the different and conflicting factions of the Hebrew leaders responsible for the texts, and had come to the conclusion it was a conglomerate of contradicting stories. In other words, the idea that the Old Testament is God breathed and inerrant was wrong. Furthermore, the Old Testament was a gathering of men’s opinions about God and about the past. He would interject that the Bible itself contains God’s Word but it is not from cover to cover the Word of God. As he would say, our job then is to discern, mine, and dig up, edit out, and process through the Old Testament literature in light of the cross of Christ. He simply did not believe the books of the Old Testament were a comprehensive and complimentary collection of fully inspired writings. He would not agree that Moses was the only author of the Pentateuch that he’d gathered stories from others. He would not agree with the words of Christ validating Moses’ authorship of Genesis for example.

With this kind of pervasive influence in the world, the scientific evolutionary authorities mocking, and the theology of the church questioning at best what the Bible says, why would anyone cling to a literal interpretation of scripture and believe in the exaggerated account of Noah’s Flood? To believe in the literal history of the Old Testament flies in the face of the torrent of contrary opinions from just about all the influential power bases known to man. Consider also that if we believe what the Bible

recorded we have some amazing, outlandish, incredible, not to forget miraculous events that stretch and challenge the natural man's imagination. We will in effect be stepping out on a ledge without the support of most of the world's expertise, scientific authority, and public opinion.

Let's not forget this fundamental truth about the human condition from the Bible: first, it is sinful and in rebellion against God. Second, that in this natural state, the apostle Paul wrote:

1 Cor. 2: 14 But the natural man does not receive the things of the Spirit of God, for they are foolishness to him; nor can he know them, because they are spiritually discerned.

This speaks volumes about this issue of whom to trust and believe. Remember these admonitions?

Ro 12:2 And do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind, that you may prove what is that good and acceptable and perfect will of God.

1Co 1:20 Where is the wise? Where is the scribe? Where is the disputer of this age? Has not God made foolish the wisdom of this world?

God's word therefore is going to be ridiculed, mocked, discounted, and considered foolish, by the "wisdom" of this world. Just recognize that going along with the crowd may seem right and even safe, but not be the truth at all. Have there been masses that believed lies? Have there been millions that embraced Fascism, Nazism, or even Communism to their own harm? What of the history of man with Roman Emperors, Pharaohs, and other dictators who called themselves gods? What

of the many false religions that have misled millions away from God's Christ?

1Co 3:19 **For the wisdom of this world is foolishness with God.**
For it is written, "He catches the wise in their own craftiness"

Don't forget what Paul wrote about Satan:

2Co 4:4 **whose minds the god of this age has blinded**, who do not believe, lest the light of the gospel of the glory of Christ, who is the image of God, should shine on them.

We Must Decide Whom We Will Listen To and Believe

If Jesus were set before you and a world famous biochemical evolutionist like Richard Dawkins stood in opposition to debate, debunk, and dismiss His teachings, who would you trust and believe? Should I trust the world with all of its deceptions? Should I embrace evolution with all of its mistakes, propaganda, and misrepresenting statements? Should I put my soul's eternal destiny into the hands of a scoffer, skeptic, atheist, or agnostic who often act brashly, arrogantly; making declarations and self confident assertions denying that God exists?

What credentials validate a man like Richard Dawkins? He has a powerful position in academia true. He may have multiple degrees, doctorates, and letters after his name. Nevertheless, he is a man that has touted himself as an authority not only in his field of study but also the arena of philosophy and theology. His expertise in one area of scientific study has presumably given him authority to speak to other areas of life and existence. He confidently demands that evolution is fact and then declares with

as much confidence that God is not. He has written a book entitled, "The God Delusion." What makes him an expert in God? The world's wisdom trumpets the priesthood of a physical scientist as the authority of the non-physical world?

Let's look now at Jesus. He was not degraded by any authority of man. He did not write a single book. He was rejected by his peers, reproached, ridiculed, and scoffed. He was put to death in a brutal way. What credentials does He have? He was not touted by the opinions of the powerful. What are His credentials? Jesus is the Messiah. Jesus is the Son of God. Jesus was sinless and spoke the truth with authority and power. Jesus backed up everything He ever taught. He said and made claims that no man would ever make such as: I am the bread of life, I am the resurrection, I am the way, the truth; I am the door to the Father, I and my Father are One...to name a few. He performed miracles beyond any man. He walked on water, calmed the winds and waves, turned water into wine, raised the dead, and healed multitudes of all manner of sickness and disease. He cast out demons with a word. What he taught and said has reverberated throughout history such as, "Judge not; lest you be judged." "He who is without sin; cast the first stone!" and, "Render unto Caesar what is Caesar's and unto God what is God's." Not to leave out, "I am the resurrection and the life; He who believes in me though He die, yet shall he also live." "I have come that they might have life and have it more abundantly." Finally for now, "I have come to seek and to save that which was lost."

It is not just his words and miracles, but the purpose of his life was a symphony of fulfilled prophecies in his birth, life, ministry and teaching, death, and resurrection. Over three

hundred prophecies were fulfilled in His life being spoken by the prophets of old. Then, beyond all of this are the new birth and the church He established through His apostles. The New Testament has profoundly changed the world. This is such a quick presentation of who Jesus is; yet, it is still far more meaningful, far more powerful and far more legitimate to believe and trust than any other person period. Is there really any comparison between Jesus and a man like Richard Dawkins?

It Takes Hearing To Believe

What we listen to influences and determines what we believe. Jesus said, “Take heed what you hear...” (Matt. 4:24). This means that as faith comes by hearing the Word of God (Rom. 10:17); likewise, unbelief comes by hearing by the word of the world. If we surround ourselves with worldly wisdom and conclusions it will influence what we believe about God and His word; conversely, if we concentrate to listen and abide in God’s word that will govern our heart. It matters who I trust and who I am listening to...it is like a steady diet of food that will soon become manifest in my body—we are what we eat. We are also believers of what we listen to. Our job is to guard our hearts and we do this by always screening what we hear according to the word of God.

When it comes to hearing proverbs has this to say:

Pr 18:17 The first one to plead his cause seems right, until his neighbor comes and examines him.

How often we are swayed by the first report. How often we are led to accept and embrace the messages we expose ourselves to. We have debates because there are several points of view. The first to answer seems right but then when his opponent responds we must think again. It is not good to silence the opposition. It is not good to only relate to those we agree with.

Pr 27:17 As iron sharpens iron, So a man sharpens the countenance of his friend.

When it comes to the creation verses evolution debate **there has been an expulsion** from the academic world, especially of the sciences, **of anyone who disagrees with evolution**. The evolutionists have proclaimed victory in claiming the debate is over and the creationists have lost. What creationists lost wasn't the debate but the positions of power in the scientific community. What is so hypocritical about this evolutionary monopoly is that when creation was the dominate view being taught in our schools and universities, the evolutionists claimed that true science is open to equal time and that both views should be presented. Now that they have usurped the power of the science positions and money they want no debate and no creationism presented period. Open scientific investigation can only be allowed on the side of evolution. Any hint, any suggestion, and sense that intelligent design or creationism is good science or the likely explanation of the empirical evidence is immediately squashed.

Have They Squashed Creationism? Have They Ended The Debate On Noah's Flood?

If you ask the evolutionists you will get statements like, "Creationists are just annoying and have nothing but propaganda

to offer.” Richard Dawkins goes further, “Anyone who doesn’t believe evolution is either ignorant, stupid, or insane.” This would mean that the case for Noah’s Flood is either ignorant, stupid, or insane. **Often it is the same evidence** being interpreted by evolutionists one way that creationists look at and interpret another. So which is the best way to look at evidence? It is through the views of evolution or creation? Which do we trust more?

Let’s Look At The Evidence Interpreted For Noah’s Flood

Let’s look at the propaganda of the creationist presentation concerning the evidences of Noah’s Flood. Mind you to do this you are opening yourself up to stupid and insane things, things that real scientists dismiss, and real smart people laugh at or mock. When the arguments are weak we pound the pulpit harder. When they are weak we attack the person because we can’t attack the arguments against our position. This is statement that I hope many we come to understand:

“There is no evidence anywhere that substantiates evolution where we can see it; but we are told adamantly that it occurred where we can’t see it.” (B. D. Tate Booklet on Darwin’s Black Box)

Let’s Look At What We Can See

The Water Is Here

1) **Is there enough water in the earth to have had a worldwide flood described in Genesis concerning Noah’s Flood?** If we lower

the mountain ranges all over the world; If we raise the ocean bottoms all over the world; If we melt the North and South poles, it is estimated that water would cover the entire face of the planet up to (minimally) a mile in depth. This is a scientific fact not conjecture. The water is here. There was an amazing report given by some *Nasa* scientists when observing Mars. They conjectured that since there were visible signs of water on the surface of Mars that there must have been flooding. As it stands today, no water has been found in any quantity. Nevertheless, these same scientists will argue that flooding or that the face of Mars must have been covered by waters while at the same time they will adamantly deny that the earth experienced a worldwide flood. We have the water here and most of the earth is covered with it; yet, Noah's Flood is a myth of gigantic proportions according to their analysis. Consider then that Psalms records what took place immediately following the flood to abate the waters:

Psalm 104: 6 You covered it with the deep as with a garment;

The waters were standing above the mountains.

7 At Your rebuke they fled, at the sound of Your thunder they hurried away.

8 The mountains rose; the valleys sank down to the place which You established for them. (NAS95)

The world as we know it with summer and winter, cold, and heat, according to scripture did not exist before the flood (Gen. 8:22). The world before the flood perished and what we have now, as awesome as it is, is the result of a more perfect world having been destroyed. We have earthquakes, volcanoes, hurricanes, tornadoes, tidal waves, and other natural disasters that didn't exist before the flood. We have weather patterns that are often out of control as it constantly tries to balance itself and stabilize. The world before was a greenhouse with an oxygen rich

environment that had a water canopy above that blocked harmful ultraviolet rays and other harmful radiation from the sun. Our world today is not like the life before the flood and the life spans of all animals (including humans) has been shortened due to this dramatic change.

All The Land At One Time Has Been Under Water

2) All of the land including the mountains has been under water. Seventy five percent of the earth's surface is made up of sedimentary rock. This rock, which makes up most of the geologic column, was laid down by water. It strongly appears that all of the land was at one time or another under water. We can't explain it by saying rain, hurricanes, tidal waves, tsunamis, account for this because none of these forces are powerful enough create the sedimentary rock en masse all over the world.

Gen. 7: 19 **And the waters prevailed exceedingly on the earth, and all the high hills under the whole heaven were covered.**

20 **The waters prevailed fifteen cubits upward, and the mountains were covered.**

The Massive Graveyards Have No Other Explanation

3) Massive graveyards of fossils exist all over the earth. Even the mountain ranges have these graveyards of millions of animals, plants, and sea life. Mountaintops have massive fossil remains of sea life consisting of shell fish, clams, and sea plants. Many of these fossils are of soft shell species including jellyfish. How do soft bodied sea life become fossilized? These fossils show fish giving birth, swallowing other fish, undigested food in their stomachs, their bodies contorted in the throes of death. By the

millions these graveyards scream sudden destruction, sudden catastrophe, as having been caught in flood waters. What possibly could explain the sudden death and destruction of millions of animal, sea life, and plants all over the earth found in the same geologic deposition? Noah's Flood accounts for it rather plainly.

Gen. 7: 21 **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.

The World's Energy Comes From The Flood

4) **What buried in mass plant life to create coal and what buried in mass animal life to create oil?** Hundreds of feet down in the geologic column we find buried, crushed, and morphed plant life by the billions being pressurized, heated and formed into coal. What could explain the existence of coal beds throughout the world? Hundreds of feet if not thousands down in the geologic column we find buried, crushed, and morphed animal life by the billions being pressurized, compacted, heated and formed into oil deposits. We all know what coal and oil are made of we just don't know why or how these beds and deposits exist from an evolutionary viewpoint. We do know that Noah's Flood describes the power, the turbulence, and the forces that could easily account for their existence.

Gen. 7: 11 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.

The Geologic Column Was Deposited Rapidly

5) **The geologic column** (that supposedly represents millions and millions of years of accumulation) **is better understood to have been laid down by Noah's Flood.** The geologic column represents the massive movement of land in water. The column's features defy an evolutionary interpretation in the following ways:

1- ***The lack of erosion between the layers*** indicates that very little time existed between the lowest layers and those forming on top. Erosion is one of the common forces known in our modern world. We see its affects with rain, local flooding, and beach erosion from storms, etc...and if the layers had been exposed to this force for millions of years it would show jagged, gapping, and erratic line delineations between the layers (possibly eliminating the line altogether in places). What we find all around the world are consistent, smooth, steady, lines with no evidence whatsoever of erosion. This means in any straight forward sense that the geologic column was laid down quickly one upon the other by a massive amount of water as in Noah's worldwide flood.

2- **Poly-strata fossils are present in the geologic column** which means the quick deposition of the layers was needed in order to trap these fossils. In fact these fossils would not exist if the column had not been laid down quickly. If for example, a large tree trunk had somehow been stuck in a lower layer. In time the whole tree, (including the part stuck in the rock) would have rotted away. There simply would be a hole not a fossil remaining in the lower level. That hole would have been filled by the next layers accumulation. Therefore, the fact that poly strata fossils exists speaks to a fast accumulation of the geologic column.

3- **The man-made artifacts**, foot prints, utensils, that have been found throughout the geologic column can only be explained by quick deposition. Sandal prints have been found in the Cambrian slate. Human foot prints and a man made hammer were found in the Cretaceous rock. Iron pot found in the coal bed just above the Cretaceous rock. Human adult and child print found in Permo-Triassic calcareous sandstone. These and many other artifacts defy the interpretation of long ages.

4) **Meteorites are only found in the upper layers.** If the lower layers had been exposed for millions of years successively then meteorites would have struck and crater evidence remained to this day in the various levels. Since only the upper levels have meteorites that is consistent with rapid deposition of the column.

5) **The upper layers of the geologic column** would have to have been waiting somewhere on earth while the lowest level existed for millions of years. We are looking at hundreds if not thousands of feet of rock, sediment, sandstone, limestone, etc.; waiting somewhere for millions of years while the foundational layers were supposedly exposed. This is ridiculous to image tons in the billions or rock hanging, floating, existing in space? The geologic column was laid down by water during Noah's Flood quickly. The tons of rock and layers of sediment had to come to rest upon itself. Think for the moment, where is the next layer of tons of rock now?

6) **What formed the mountains?** What power on earth exists today to account for the amount of energy it would take to form the mountain ranges all over the earth? When we couple the worldwide phenomenon of ***bent and buckled, or folded layers*** of the geologic column we can come to only one conclusion. The column was laid down rapidly during the flood

and while it was still malleable, soft, and uncured, the ocean basins were lowered and the land was pushed against itself to create the uplifted mountains we see today.

Ps. 104:8 **The mountains rose; the valleys sank down** to the place which You established for them. (NAS95)

Massive Fossil Remains Requires Rapid Burial

6) **Fossils are only created when the specimens are buried in a relatively short period of time.** What buried the millions of fossils we find today? The picture that remains from the positions, the conditions, and the volume strongly indicates *catastrophic* events of the past. If volcanoes, earthquakes, hurricanes, tidal waves, or tsunamis are responsible, they simply do not have the massive scope in power and worldwide occurrence to account for the millions of fossils—but Noah’s Flood does.

The Worldwide Witness Of Legends

7) **There are over 500 flood legends** from all over the earth taught by tribes, peoples, and nations. How is it that although the details are considerably different the main idea is agreed upon? There is clearly a world consciousness of some catastrophic event in the past. There are legends from Aborigines, Siberian, Babylonian, Chinese, Japanese, American Indian, Incas, Aztec, Egyptian, Mongolian, Arabian, Hittite, and Polynesian, to name a few.

The Mysterious Drawings And Dragon Legends

8) **Cave Drawings & Dragon legends** from all around the earth and over history. Cave drawings of dinosaurs exist in Europe and in North America how could people be drawing what they have

never seen? Dragon legends describing dinosaurs like Tyrannosaurus Rex and Triceratops, to name two, are well known and persist even into recent history. Jungle accounts from natives describing large neck and tailed beasts living in remote areas as late as the twentieth century. Let's not forget how caves were formed. They were formed by massive amounts of water washing away gaps of sedimentary rock like limestone. These caves exist because of massive amounts of water rushing in the geology sometimes many miles long and winding deep into the terrain. These caves occurred because of Noah's Flood.

The Ark Was Huge

8) The Ark was more than big enough! The space and storage needed to house Noah's family with the representatives of every clean and unclean animal, the birds, the reptiles, and every creeping thing (insects) is more than sufficient in the Ark. It has been estimated from the size and dimensions described in scripture that there was room enough for 522 large freight railroad cars (each could carry 240 sheep). The Ark was 300 x 50 x 30 cubits which translates into 1.52 million cubic feet. All of the animals and food would have only needed 42,000 cubic feet. It has been calculated and identified ***that are 8,000 kinds***, including the extinct ones we know about, and including the dinosaurs (adolescent size). This means only about 16,000 to 20,000 animals would have entered the ark. Placing the animals in cages some large and some small, with all the creeping things, we are looking at a space of 30 railroad cars. This would leave nearly 500 cars for food, water, living space, extra cages for animals being born on the Ark etc. **It would have also provided room for many others had they believed Noah's warning and gotten on the Ark.**

I could go on to list more evidences interpreted for Noah's flood; but let me share with you what is **the most important evidence** for a worldwide flood. The Word of God from the book of Genesis. This account is authentic, realistic, detailed, containing reasonable and natural time periods. God revealed to us what we needed to know. I have edited out portions only to make it shorter so as to highlight its content.

Gen. 6: 1 **The earth also was corrupt before God, and the earth was filled with violence.**

12 So God looked upon the earth, and indeed it was corrupt; **for all flesh had corrupted their way on the earth.**

13 And God said to Noah, "The end of all flesh has come before Me, **for the earth is filled with violence through them;** and behold, I will destroy them with the earth.

14 "Make yourself an ark of gopher wood; make rooms in the ark, and cover it inside and outside with pitch.

17 "And behold, I Myself am bringing floodwaters on the earth, to destroy from under heaven all flesh in which is the breath of life; everything that is on the earth shall die.

18 "But I will establish My covenant with you; and you shall go into the ark—you, your sons, your wife, and your sons' wives with you.

19 "And of every living thing of all flesh you shall bring two of every sort into the ark, to keep them alive with you; they shall be male and female.

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.

2 "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;

3 "also seven each of birds of the air, male and female, to keep the species alive on the face of all the earth.

4 "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."

11 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.

12 And the rain was on the earth forty days and forty nights.

13 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—

17 Now the flood was on the earth forty days. The waters increased and lifted up the ark, and it rose high above the earth.

18 **The waters prevailed and greatly increased on the earth,** and the ark moved about on the surface of the waters.

19 And the waters prevailed exceedingly on the earth, and all the high hills under the whole heaven were covered.

20 The waters prevailed fifteen cubits upward, and the mountains were covered.

21 **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.

22 All in whose nostrils was the breath of the spirit of life, all that was on the dry land, died.

8: 4 **And the waters prevailed on the earth one hundred and fifty days.**

1 Then God remembered Noah, and every living thing, and all the animals that *were* with him in the ark. And God made a wind to pass over the earth, and the waters subsided.

2 The fountains of the deep and the windows of heaven were also stopped, and the rain from heaven was restrained.

3 **And the waters receded continually from the earth.** At the end of the hundred and fifty days **the waters decreased.**

4 **Then the ark rested in the seventh month, the seventeenth day of the month**, on the mountains of Ararat.

5 **And the waters decreased continually until the tenth month.**

In the tenth *month*, on the first *day* of the month, the tops of the mountains were seen.

13 **And it came to pass in the six hundred and first year, in the first month**, the first day of the month, that the waters were dried up from the earth; and Noah removed the covering of the ark and looked, and indeed the surface of the ground was dry.

14 **And in the second month, on the twenty–seventh day of the month**, the earth was dried.

5 *Then God spoke to Noah, saying,*

16 “Go out of the ark, you and your wife, and your sons and your sons’ wives with you.

17 “Bring out with you every living thing of all flesh that is with you: birds and cattle **and every creeping thing that creeps on the earth**, so that they may abound on the earth, **and be fruitful and multiply on the earth.**”

18 So Noah went out, and his sons and his wife and his sons’ wives with him.

19 Every animal, every creeping thing, every bird, and whatever creeps on the earth, according to their families, went out of the ark.

20 Then Noah built an altar to the LORD, and took of every clean animal and of every clean bird, and offered burnt offerings on the altar.

21 And the LORD smelled a soothing aroma. Then the LORD said in His heart, **“I will never again curse the ground for man’s sake, although the imagination of man’s heart is evil from his youth; nor will I again destroy every living thing as I have done.**

22 **“While the earth remains, Seedtime and harvest, Cold and heat, Winter and summer, And day and night Shall not cease.”**

In Considering The Genesis Account Hear The Words Of Jesus:

Mt. 24:37 “But as the days of Noah were, **so also will the coming of the Son of Man be.**

38 “For as in the days before the flood, they were eating and drinking, marrying and giving in marriage, until the day that Noah entered the ark,

Jesus believed the flood of Noah’s day and has connected it to another incredible event—***His second coming!*** He said it twice to let us know how certain this connection is!

Mt 24:39 “and did not know until the flood came and took them all away, **so also will the coming of the Son of Man be.**

Some Final Thoughts

The account of Noah’s Flood describes an event that took over a hundred years to build the ark and prepare for its voyage. During this time Noah warned and preached to the people about God’s judgment in sending a worldwide cataclysm to destroy wickedness upon the face of the earth. When the flood came it lasted forty days and nights, but then the waters continued to swell upon the earth for up to one hundred and fifty days. Then the waters began to decrease and recede. Noah went into the Ark with the animals and remained in it for over a year. When Noah and the Ark’s inhabitants left the ark God established a new covenant. As part of that covenant there would be cold and heat, summer and winter as long as the earth remains. This was new because before the flood the earth’s climate was like a greenhouse: it was controlled, oxygen rich and temperate, no rain

(only dew), and no violent storms. Summer heat and winter cold which we all know today was new. The polar ice caps did not exist. God lowered the ocean basins to provide for the waters to recede from the land. He caused the mountains to form as the continents were compressed into each other. While the geologic column was still malleable the mountain ranges were forced into place. The Polar Regions stored water. Storms, winds, rains, volcanoes, earthquakes, hurricanes, and tidal waves, etc. are all part of our world not the world of the pre-flood.

The apostle Peter under the inspiration of the Holy Spirit revealed this:

11 Peter 3: 3 knowing this first: **that scoffers will come in the last days**, walking according to their own lusts,
4 and saying, "Where is the promise of His coming? For since the fathers fell asleep, **all things continue as they were from the beginning of creation.**"

5 For **this they willfully forget**: that by the word of God the heavens were of old, and the earth standing out of water and in the water,

6 by which the world that then existed perished, being flooded with water.

7 **But the heavens and the earth which are now** preserved by the same word, **are reserved for fire until the day of judgment** and perdition of ungodly men.

Evolution has found a willing audience of scoffers to embrace it because they "willfully forget" God's warning to all of us about His judgment against ungodliness in the flood of Noah. **The world that existed before perished.** It is described here as "the earth standing out of water and in the water." This is a greenhouse situation that doesn't exist today. When our astronauts leave the earth's atmosphere they do not encounter a water barrier.

God told Noah that He'd never flood the whole earth again and placed the rainbow in the sky for us to see to remind us of this promise. This matters to us because floods do occur all over the earth today but all of them are very localized. Even so, the fear of the waters flooding as in Noah's flood remained.

Peter warns us that the earth will experience a final judgment but this time it will be with fire. As I have listed and described these evidences upon the earth and interpreted them according to Noah's flood, we see another view of earth's history. We see evidences of Noah's flood and God's judgment then. As we focus on these things our faith in the Word of God is also enhanced. When we listen to interpretations that agree with God's Word our hearts will find rest in the truth God's redemption in Christ Jesus. The Bible is inspired from the very first verse to the last. When scoffers, agnostics, and atheists have our ears the result will be doubt, unbelief, fear, and confusion in regards to trusting the Bible. It matters who we listen to and it is our job to understand the importance of screening out the deceptions, and sometimes outright lies of those who don't believe.

Recommended Readings

- 1) Scientific Creationism by Henry M. Morris
- 2) The Genesis Flood The Biblical Record and its Scientific Implications by John C. Whitcomb and Henry M. Morris
- 3) In the Beginning: Compelling Evidence for Creation and the Flood by Walt Brown

Websites:

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Lordsbcc.org/creation vs. evolution webpage

