

Memory Verse

Genesis 8:1

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Thematic Overview of *Genesis 1-12* - Pt 15

Genesis 8 – Noah's Flood Part 2

God spoke the universe into existence in **6 days**, created **dinosaurs** and **Adam and Eve**. He gave them **1 rule**, which they **broke**. They tried to **hide** themselves and their sin, but **God offered** a **sacrifice** and **promised a Savior**. Adam brought ***sin and death*** into the world and society became so **corrupted** that *God decided the **flood the world***. But He found 1 righteous man - **Noah**, and told him to *build the **Ark***, a massive ship, to house his family and every kind of land walking animal.

Genesis 8:1-22 - But God remembered Noah and all the beasts and all the livestock that were with him in the ark. And God made a wind blow over the earth, and the waters subsided. 2The fountains of the deep and the windows of the heavens were closed, the rain from the heavens was restrained, 3and the waters receded from the earth continually. At the end of 150 days the

waters had abated, 4and in the seventh month, on the seventeenth day of the month, the ark came to rest on the mountains of Ararat. 5And the waters continued to abate until the tenth month; in the tenth month, on the first day of the month, the tops of the mountains were seen. 6At the end of forty days Noah opened the window of the ark that he had made 7and

sent forth a raven. It went to and fro until the waters were dried up from the earth. 8Then he sent forth a dove from him, to see if the waters had subsided from the face of the ground. 9But the dove found no place to set her foot, and she returned to him to the ark, for the waters were still on the face of the whole earth. So he put out his hand and took her and brought her into the ark with him.

10He waited another seven days, and again he sent forth the dove out of the ark. 11And the dove came back to him in the evening, and behold, in her mouth was a freshly plucked olive leaf. So Noah knew that the waters had subsided from the earth. 12Then he waited another seven days and sent forth the dove, and she did not return to him anymore.

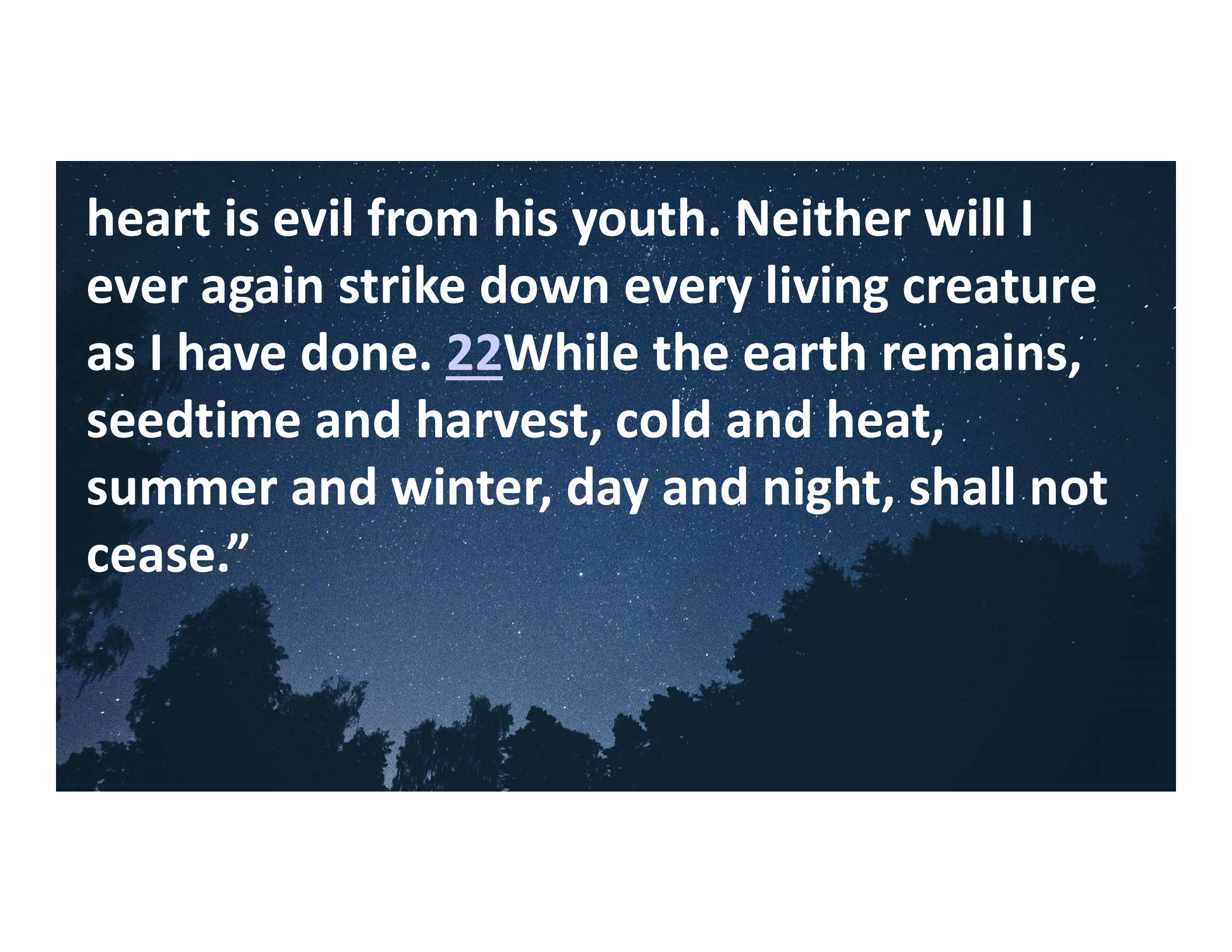
13In the six hundred and first year, in the first month, the first day of the month, the waters were dried from off the earth. And Noah removed the covering of the ark and looked, and behold, the face of the ground was dry.

14In the second month, on the twenty-seventh day of the month, the earth had dried out. **15**Then God said to Noah, **16**“Go out from the ark, you and your wife, and

your sons and your sons' wives with you. 17Bring out with you every living thing that is with you of all flesh - birds and animals and every creeping thing that creeps on the earth - that they may swarm on the earth, and be fruitful and multiply on the earth." 18So Noah went out, and his sons and his wife and his sons' wives with him. 19Every beast, every creeping thing, and

every bird, everything that moves on the earth, went out by families from the ark.

20Then Noah built an altar to the LORD and took some of every clean animal and some of every clean bird and offered burnt offerings on the altar. 21And when the LORD smelled the pleasing aroma, the LORD said in his heart, "I will never again curse the ground because of man, for the intention of man's

The background of the image is a dark blue night sky filled with numerous small white stars. At the bottom of the image, there are dark silhouettes of trees and foliage against the starry sky.

heart is evil from his youth. Neither will I ever again strike down every living creature as I have done. 22While the earth remains, seedtime and harvest, cold and heat, summer and winter, day and night, shall not cease.”

A. 8:1-19 – The Flood Subsides

The rains stopped, and the *foundations of the deep* were no longer gushing water. At the end of the 150 days, the *waters receded*... In the *7th month*, the Ark landed on the *mountains of Ararat*... By the *10th month*, the tops of the mountains were visible. So, it was **8 months** before land was visible.

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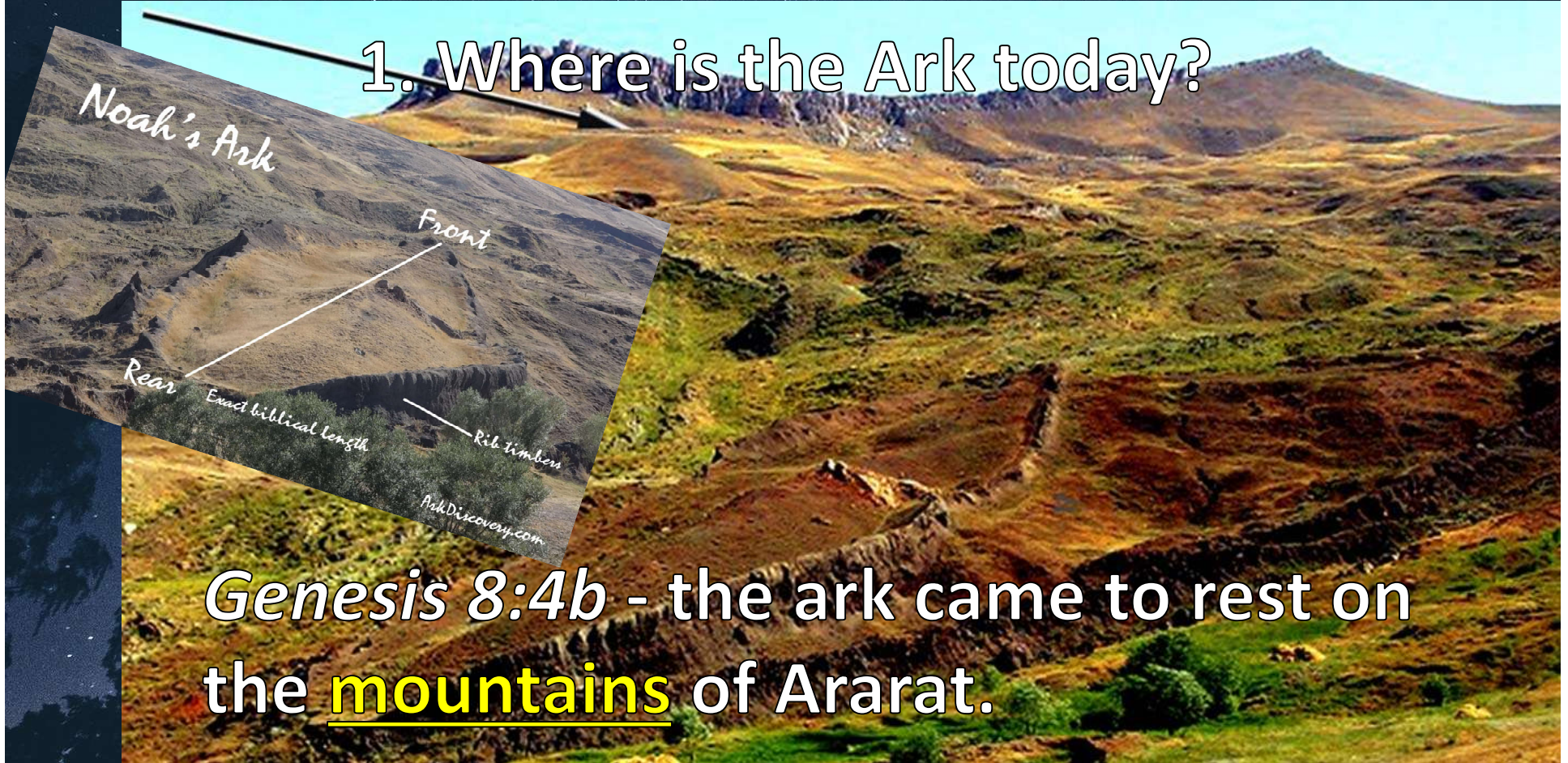
He then *sent out a dove*. She returned and he *sent her out* again after 7 more days. The *dove returned* with a freshly plucked olive leaf. **Plant life** was growing again. The earth was renewing itself. Noah *waited another 7 days* and sent out the dove again, but she *did not return*.

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In *verse 13*, we have another **time stamp**. *Nearly a year* after Noah, his family, and the animals went into the Ark, he took off the covering of the Ark and saw dry land. It may be that it *wasn't totally dry*, or that *only parts were dry*, because *verse 14* says it was almost **2 months later**, that everything had *dried out...*

A. 8:1-19 – The Flood Subsides

1. Where is the Ark today?



Genesis 8:4b - the ark came to rest on the mountains of Ararat.

A. 8:1-19 – The Flood Subsides

2. When did the fossils form?

This *question* (or variation) *comes up* and it's valid. ...fossils *don't take millions of years to form*. It takes 4 things to create a fossil:

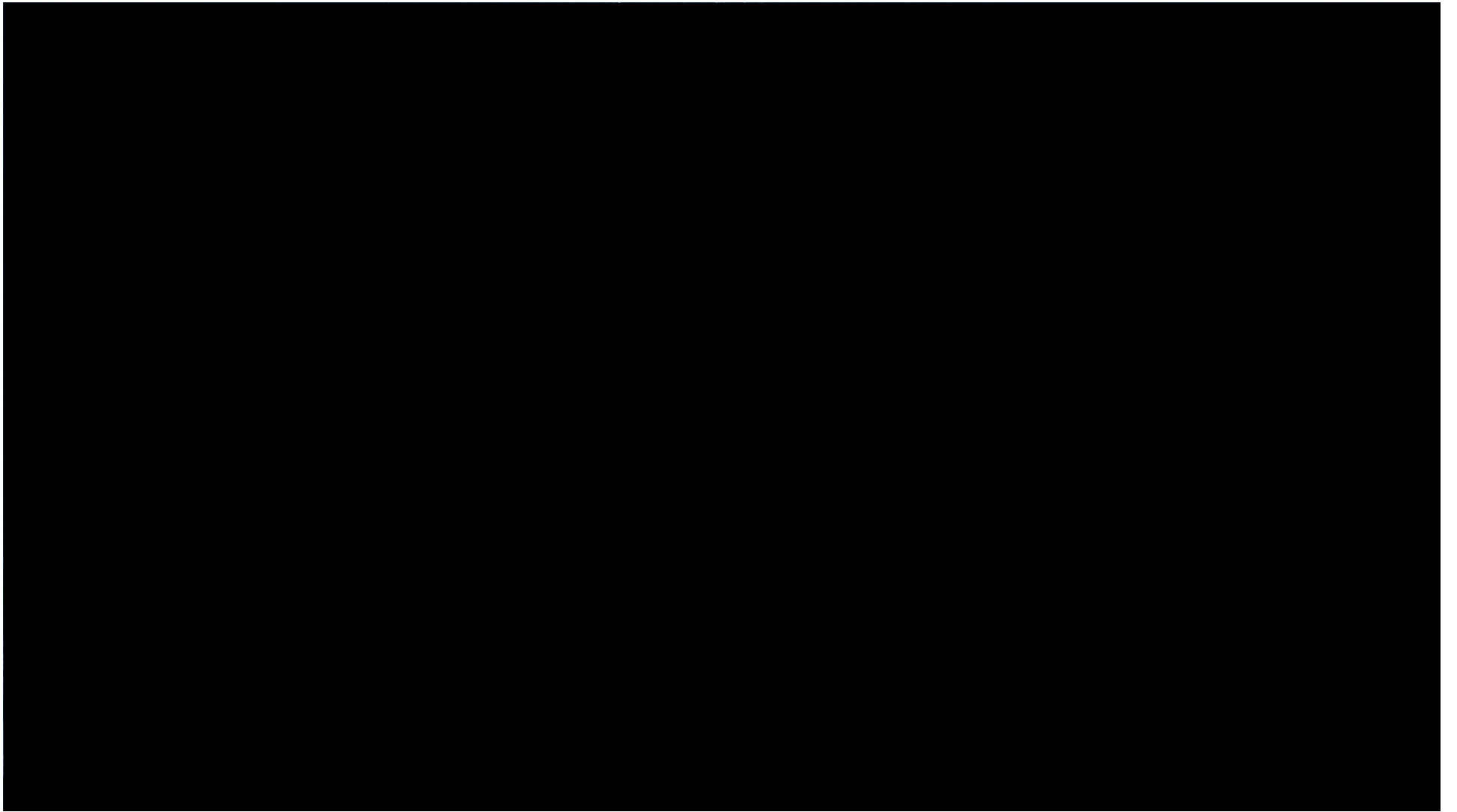
1. Lots of ***water***.
2. Lots of ***sediment***.
3. Lots of ***pressure***.
4. ***Speed***.



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3. How does geology fit with the flood?

This is a *major question* many Christians **don't think about**. So many wrongly embrace evolutionary thought, *some without realizing it*. But when you **think Biblically**, and consider that the *world-wide flood* **changed everything**, geology becomes very *important*.





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4. Are there other flood accounts?

There are **plenty of flood legends** from the *ancient world*. The **Epic of Gilgamesh** is the most *well-known* and has *some parallels to the Biblical account*. Remember, *most of the time, legends are based in some historical event*.

	Assyrio-Babylonia 1	Assyrio-Babylonia 2	Persia	Syria	Asia Minor	Greece	Egypt	Italy	Lithuania	Russia	China	India	Cree (Canada)	Cherokee (US)	Papagoa (Mexico)	Aztecs (Mexico)	Peru	Leward Islands	Fiji Islands	Hawaii
Man in transgression (Gen. 6:5-6, 11-12)	Full			Full			Full		Full									Full	Full	Full
Divine destruction (Gen. 6:7, 13, 17; 7:4, 23)	Full	Full				Full				Full		Full						Full		
Favored family (Gen. 6:8, 18)	Full		Full		Full	Full						Full	Full	Full	Full	Full	Full	Full		
Ark provided (Gen. 6:14-16; 7:1, 7-9)	Full		Partial	Full	Partial	Full	Partial	Full	Partial	Full	Full	Full	Full	Full	Full	Full	Full	Partial	Partial	Full
Destruction by water (Gen. 6:17; 7:4, 10-24)	Full	Full	Full	Full	Full	Full	Partial	Full		Full	Full	Full	Full	Full	Full	Full	Full	Full	Full	Full
Humans saved (Gen. 6:18; 7:1-7, 13-16, 23)	Full	Full	Full	Full	Full	Partial	Full	Partial	Full	Full	Full	Full	Full	Full	Full	Full	Full	Full	Full	Full
Animals saved (Gen. 6:19-20; 7:2-3)	Full	Full	Full	Full	Full	Full	Full	Full	Partial	Full	Full	Full	Full	Full	Full	Full	Full	Full	Full	Full
Universal destruction (Gen. 7:21-23)	Full	Full	Full	Full	Full	Full	Full	Full	Full	Full	Full	Full	Full	Full	Full	Full	Full	Full	Partial	Full
Landing on mountain (Gen. 8:4)	Full	Full	Full	Full	Full	Full	Full	Full	Full	Full	Full	Full	Full	Full	Full	Full	Full	Full	Full	Full
Birds sent out (Gen. 8:7-12)	Full	Full	Partial	Full	Full	Full	Full	Full	Full	Full	Full	Full	Full	Partial	Full	Full	Full	Full	Full	Full
Survivors worship (Gen. 8:20)	Full	Full	Full	Full	Full	Full	Full	Full	Full	Full	Full	Full	Full	Full	Full	Full	Full	Full	Full	Full
Divine favor on saved (Gen. 9:1-17)	Full	Full	Full	Full	Full	Full	Full	Full	Full	Full	Full	Full	Full	Full	Full	Full	Full	Full	Full	Full

 Full representation of biblical idea

 Partial representation of biblical idea

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5. What about the Ice Age?

Again, most of us, *without realizing*, have been influenced by evolutionary thought about the *Ice Age*. We think it **happened millions of years ago**, and that there is ***no link to the flood***. That is ***not accurate***, nor is it ***Biblical and scientific***.



B. 8:20-22 – God's Covenant

...A **covenant** is a *binding agreement between 2 or more parties, or people*. In the Ancient Near East there were different kinds of covenants. There were **1- or 2-way agreements**... When it comes to a covenant, there was a *sacrifice*, because the root meaning of the word covenant was "*to cut*." You **cut a covenant**, making it *blood oath or promise*.

B. 8:20-22 – God's Covenant

Noah built an altar of *sacrifice* after getting off the Ark. He *offered sacrifices* to the LORD, as an act of **worship** and **thanksgiving** to God. God promised He would *establish His covenant with Noah*, repeated here. It will be established in *chapter 9*, and it will be a perpetual promise...

Applications...

1. God's timing.
2. The faithfulness of God.
3. Worship.
4. Thankfulness.