

THINKING ABOUT THE BEGINNING
PART 4: A FLOOD OF EVIDENCE
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“...since the creation of the world God’s invisible qualities – His eternal power and divine nature – have been clearly seen, being understood from what has been made, so that people are without excuse.”
Romans 1:20 (NIV)

EXAMINING THE EVIDENCE

“Then the LORD saw that the wickedness of man was great on the earth, and that every intent of the thoughts of his heart was only evil continually. The LORD was sorry that He had made man on the earth, and He was grieved in His heart. The LORD said, “I will blot out man whom I have created from the face of the land, from man to animals to creeping things and to birds of the sky; for I am sorry that I have made them.” But Noah found favor in the eyes of the LORD.”
Genesis 6:5-8 (NAS)

“Now the earth was corrupt in the sight of God, and the earth was filled with violence. God looked on the earth, and behold, it was corrupt; for all flesh had corrupted their way upon the earth. Then God said to Noah, “The end of all flesh has come before Me; for the earth is filled with violence because of them; and behold, I am about to destroy them with the earth. Make for yourself an ark of gopher wood ... But I will establish My covenant with you; and you shall enter the ark—you and your sons and your wife, and your sons’ wives with you. And of every living thing of all flesh, you shall bring two of every *kind* into the ark ...”
Genesis 6:11-14, 18-19 (NAS)

“In the six hundredth year of Noah’s life, in the second month, on the seventeenth day of the month, on the same day all the fountains of the great deep burst open, and the floodgates of the sky were opened. The rain fell upon the earth for forty days and forty nights ...The water prevailed and increased greatly upon the earth, and the ark floated on the surface of the water. The water prevailed more and more upon the earth, so that all the high mountains everywhere under the heavens were covered. The water prevailed fifteen cubits higher, and the mountains were covered. All flesh that moved on the earth perished, birds and cattle and beasts and every swarming thing that swarms upon the earth, and all mankind; of all that was on the dry land, all in whose nostrils was the breath of the spirit of life, died. Thus He blotted out every living thing that was upon the face of the land, from man to animals to creeping things and to birds of the sky, and they were blotted out from the earth; and only Noah was left, together with those that were with him in the ark. The water prevailed upon the earth one hundred and fifty days.”
Genesis 7:11-12, 18-24 (NAS)

**QUESTION 1: IS THERE ANY EVIDENCE OF A _____ FLOOD, OR
 WAS THE BIBLE REFERING TO A _____ FLOOD?**

● **EXHIBIT A: _____ Evidence**

- **Evolutionary Assumption: _____ - the present is the key to the past.**
- **Genesis Assumption: _____ - the earth today is very different from the past due to a catastrophic event, i.e. the Flood.**

● **EXHIBIT B:** _____ Evidence

● **EXHIBIT C:** _____ Evidence

"Of the birds after their kind, and of the animals after their kind, of every creeping thing of the ground after its kind, two of every kind will come to you to keep them alive." Genesis 6:20 (NAS)

"Make for yourself an ark of gopher wood ..." Genesis 6:14 (NAS)

● **EXHIBIT D:** _____ Evidence

- There are over 300 Flood Legends from around the world.

● **EXHIBIT E:** _____ Evidence

"Then God spoke to Noah, saying ... "all flesh shall never again be cut off by the water of the flood, neither shall there again be a flood to destroy the earth." God said, "This is the sign of the covenant which I am making between Me and you and every living creature that is with you, for all successive generations; I set My bow in the cloud, and it shall be for a sign of a covenant between Me and the earth."
Genesis 9:8, 11-13 (NAS)

"I, the Lord, speak the truth; I declare what is right." Isaiah 45:19 (NIV)

**QUESTION 2: COULD NOAH HAVE BUILT AN ARK OF _____
_____?**

"Make for yourself an ark of gopher wood; you shall make the ark with rooms, and shall cover it inside and out with pitch. This is how you shall make it: the length of the ark three hundred cubits, its breadth fifty cubits, and its height thirty cubits. You shall make a window for the ark, and finish it to a cubit from the top; and set the door of the ark in the side of it; you shall make it with lower, second, and third decks."
Genesis 6:14-16 (NAS)

● **EXHIBIT F:** _____ = From 17.5 to 20.6 Inches
Short Cubit = 450 x 75 x 45
Long Cubit = 510 x 85 x 51

**QUESTION 3: COULD AN ARK OF BIBLICAL DIMENSIONS HOLD ALL OF THE
_____?**

"... birds after their kind, and of the animals after their kind ..." Genesis 6:20 (NAS)

● **EXHIBIT G:** _____ = The dog kind, the cat kind, etc.

● **EXHIBIT H:** _____ Appears To Have Believed In A
_____ Flood.

"As it was in the days of Noah, so it will be at the coming of the Son of Man. For in the days before the flood, people were eating and drinking, marrying and giving in marriage, up to the day Noah entered the ark; and they knew nothing about what would happen until the flood came and took them all away. That is how it will be at the coming of the Son of Man."

Matthew 24:37-39 (NIV)

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