

A cosmic background featuring a view of Earth from space, with the Moon in the upper center. The scene is filled with stars and the Milky Way galaxy, set against a deep blue and purple color palette.

THE BOOK OF
GENESIS

THE FLOOD OF NOAH – PART 2

GENESIS 7:1-16

What does “*and all your house*” mean?

- Because Noah had exercised faith, we are told in **Heb. 11:7** that through unwavering obedience to God’s commandments, God saw or “*accounted*” it to him as righteous, saving him *and* his house. This truth is echoed in **Acts 16:31**.
- Because of Noah’s faith and obedience, God promised his house salvation; but each member of his house also exercised personal faith by entering the ark. Opportunity does not equal acceptance.

ALL ABOARD!!

Immediately after telling Noah the time had come, God instructed him to take seven of each clean animal, along with the pairs of all the others, onto the ark *“to keep the species alive upon the face of all the earth.”*

- Much later, the Mosaic law plainly spelled out which animals were to be regarded as clean in the Israelite system (**Leviticus 11**), though all such distinctions were to be removed completely in the new covenant. **Acts 10:9-15; 1 Timothy 4:4**

T MINUS 7 DAYS AND COUNTING

A worldwide rain lasting forty days would be impossible under present atmospheric conditions; so this phenomenon required an utterly different source of atmospheric water than what now exists.

- “*Waters above the firmament*”—the vast thermal blanket of water vapor
- The words translated “every living substance” are *kol yeyum*, and literally mean “all existence” or “all that grows up.” ***It's now or never. In or out!***

WHEN DID ALL THIS TAKE PLACE?

The literal interpretation of the chronological information in the early chapters of Genesis would be that the measurement of time began with the Creation.

- The biblical data concludes that the Flood came on the earth 1,655 years, one month, and seventeen days after the Creation account.
- We do not have sufficient facts to state categorically that we know the exact age of the earth back to Creation; the weak link is the genealogical data.

WHERE DID ALL THIS WATER COME FROM?

It seems to have been controlled by the two great reservoirs of water resulting from the primeval separation of the waters of the primordial “*deep*,” Hebrew *tehom* (**Genesis 1:2**), on the second day of Creation, into “*waters above the firmament*” and “*waters below the firmament.*”

- The “*waters below the firmament*” became what is referred to as “*the great deep*” or “*the great depths*” of water.
- Seas, rivers, and springs: pressurized aquifers





GOD, THE UNCAUSED CAUSE

Bear in mind: There is no question that God *could* have accomplished the entire event miraculously.

- But the Bible specifically attributes the Flood to the:
 1. Bursting of the fountains of the great deep
 2. The pouring down of torrential rains from heaven
- **Add to this**, the core of the earth is nothing more than a superheated electromagnetic engine; the earth's crust, with its crystalline basement complex: plate tectonics, faulting, and volcanism—Voila!

BUT GOD SAVES! v. 13-16

On the very last day, the Flood came just as God promised; then Noah and his family entered the ark.

- This evidenced their faith in the absolute accuracy of God's word to them, neither fearfully rushing into the ark ahead of time, nor presumptuously delaying past the announced time.
- Thus the waters of judgment and death were also waters of cleansing and deliverance.

GOD SAVES ALL WHO TRUST HIM!