



# ***The Biblical Flood***

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# A Local Flood?



If the account of a worldwide catastrophic flood is true, then all the geological formations of the world can be explained by that one year long event rather than long ages of slow development.

All the fossils buried in the earth could be explained as being buried during the flood.



**That is why all those who hold to an old earth interpretation teach the flood was a local flood.**

**They do not deny it happened.**

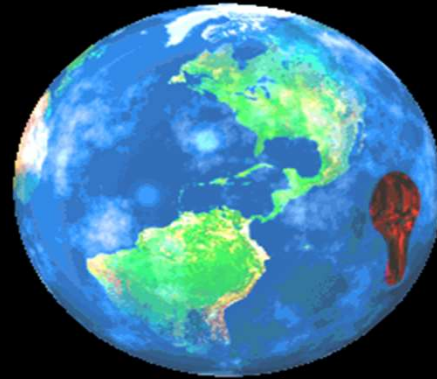


**Instead, they restate how it happened to make it fit their old earth assumptions that the earth's geological formations formed over long periods of time.**

# **Uniformitarianism:**

A concept developed by lawyer/  
geologist/atheist, and close friend of Charles  
Darwin, Charles Lyle.

It is defined by the saying,  
“The present is the key to  
the past.”



The way things are now is the way things have  
always been with some slight variations.



# Mabul:

The Bible uses one Hebrew word to refer to the Genesis flood, Mabul.

It is used specifically to describe this unique catastrophe in history.



# The Flood:

What does the Bible state clearly about the flood in chapter 7?



Verse 11- the fountains of the great deep burst open.

Verse 12- it rained for forty days and forty nights.

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**Verse 18 - the water increased greatly.**

**Verse 19 - all the high mountains  
were covered everywhere  
(water seeks its own level).**

**Verse 20 - water was  
fifteen cubits higher  
than the mountains.**





**Verses 21- 22 - contain a series of “alls” and one “every” referring to life on the surface of the earth.**

<sup>21</sup>“And **all** flesh died that moved upon the earth, both of fowl, and of cattle, and of beast, and of **every** creeping thing that creepeth upon the earth, and every man:

<sup>22</sup>**All** in whose nostrils was the breath of life, of **all** that was in the dry land, died.”

**Remember this is an eyewitness account, Genesis 10:1.**



# **Local Flood Foolishness:**

**Why build an ark to escape a local flood?**

**Why take animals on the ark that could be moved to other regions?**

**Not all humans or animals would die in a local flood because the whole earth was inhabited. The Bible says they all died except those on the ark, Genesis 7:23.**

**One or the other is true, they both cannot be true.**

# **Where Did the Water Come From?**

**There is only enough water in the earth's atmosphere to cover the earth by two to three inches.**

**The answer to our question is found in Genesis 1:7,  
“And God made the expanse, and separated the waters which were below the expanse from the water which were above the expanse; and it was so.”**

**The expanse is our atmosphere and the water above was a covering probably in vapor form.**

**This expanse  
is referred to  
again in  
Genesis 1:20  
as the  
expanse  
where the birds fly.**





# **The Water Canopy Theory:**

It has not been explained by computer simulation because there are too many unknown variables.

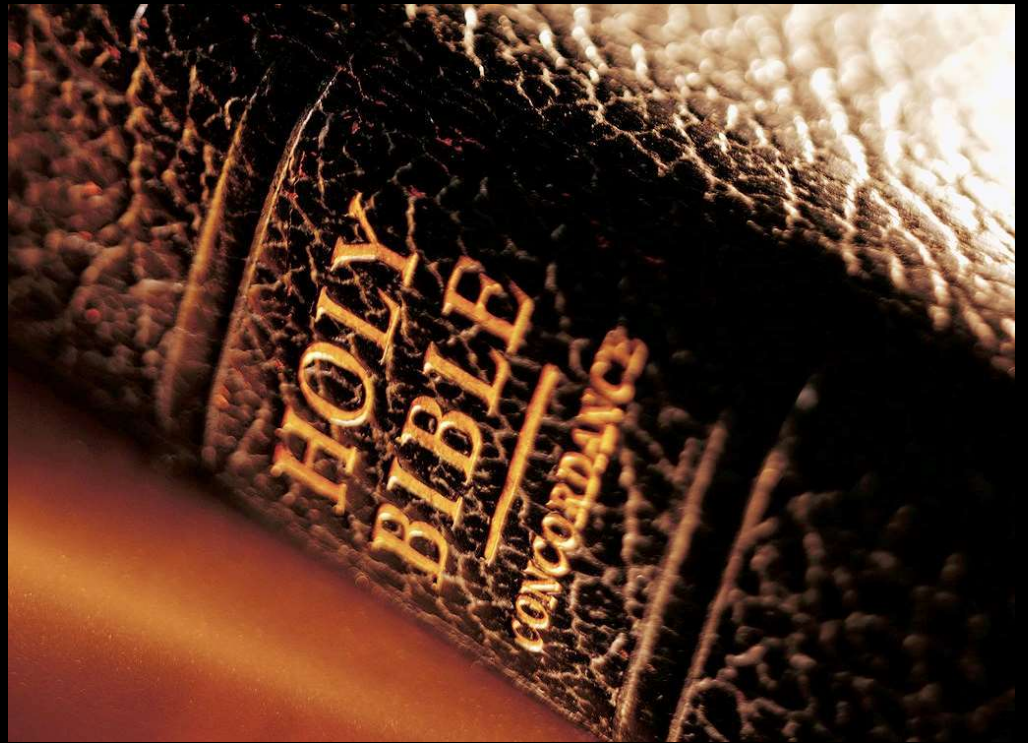
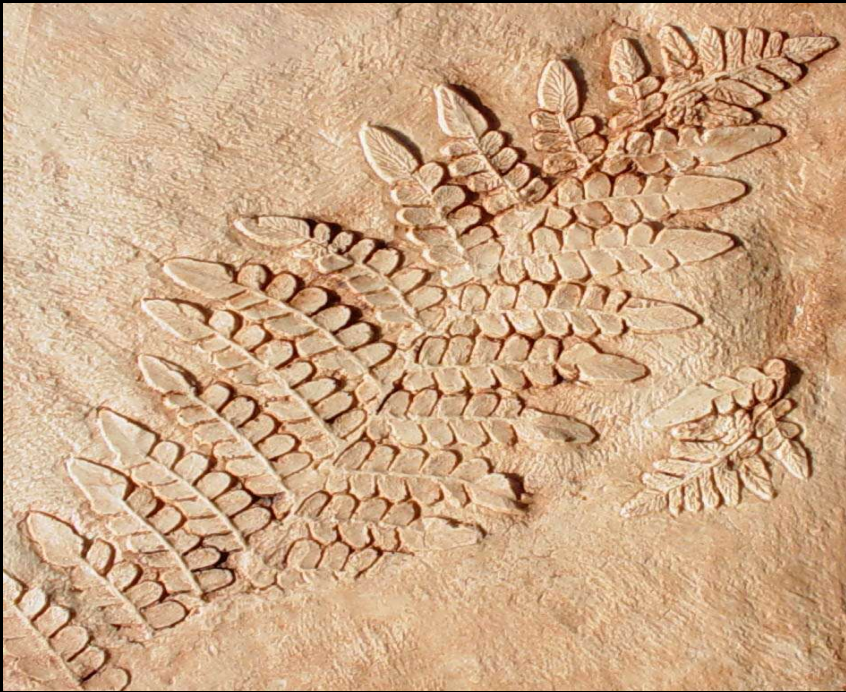
**How high was it above the earth?**

**What form was it in?**

**What held it in place? Etc.**

**How much water did it contain?**

**There are two sources of evidence for the water canopy, the fossil record and the Biblical record.**





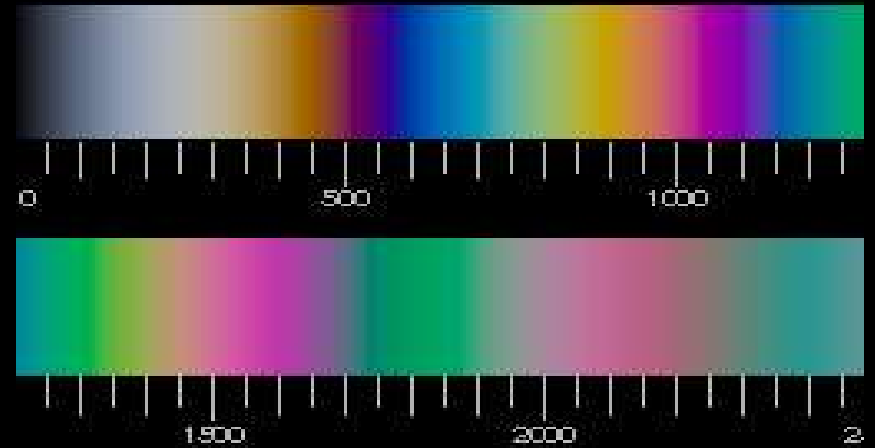
# There are **THREE** major impacts of the canopy:

1. Reflected short wave light.
2. Global greenhouse effect.
3. Heavier atmospheric pressure.



# Reflected Short Wave Light:

These are the dangerous light waves such as gamma-rays, ultra violet light, x-rays, etc.

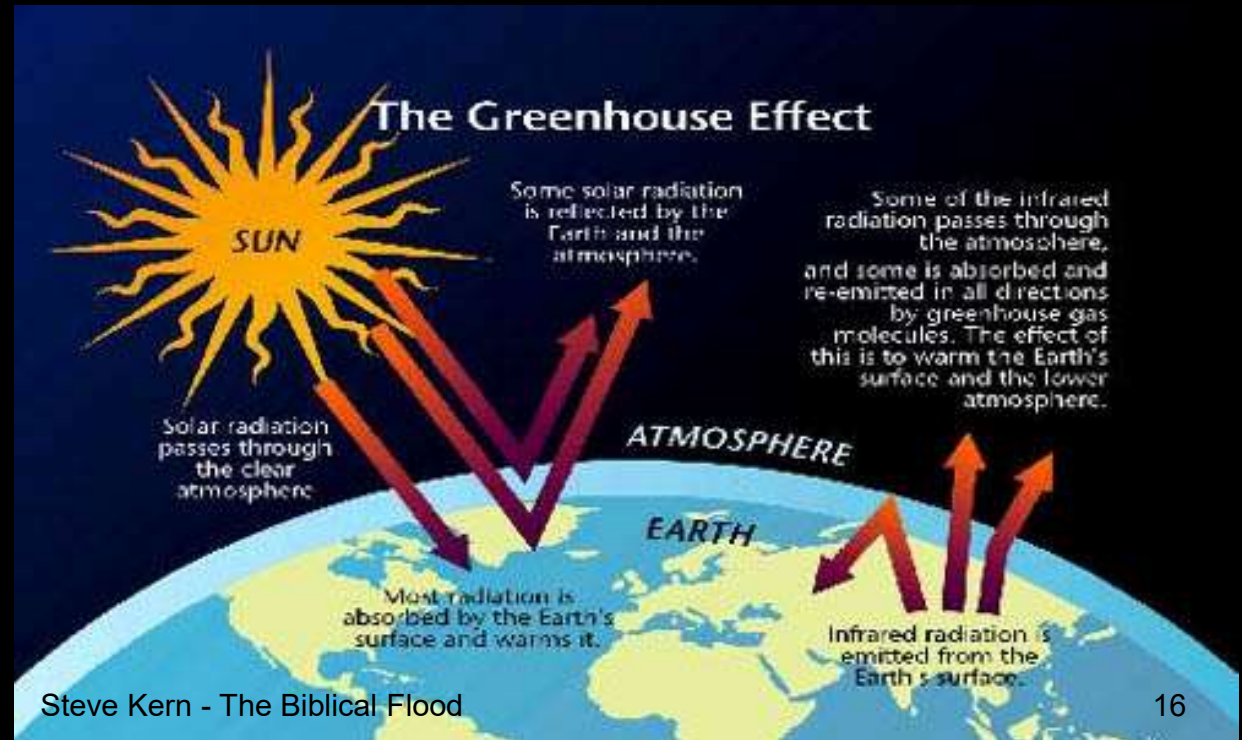


that cause mutations and shortening of life by increasing the aging process.

# Global Greenhouse Effect:

The long wave light would warm the canopy and evenly distribute the heat worldwide.

This would allow for tropical forests to grow not only on the equator but on the polar regions as well.



**There would be no seasons.**

**Plants would grow year around (Amos 9:13).**

**It would also  
mean there  
were no winds  
to create storms,  
nor would there  
be rain clouds in  
the atmosphere.**



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# **Heavier Atmospheric Pressure:**

The water above the atmosphere would have mass that the earth's gravity would pull down on thus causing our atmosphere to compress to a pressure as much as twice what it is now.

Our body metabolism works more efficiently in heavier atmospheric pressure.

# **Physical Canopy Evidence:**

**The huge deposits of coal, oil, and natural gas under the earth's surface.**



**Plants, animals, and insects are much larger in the fossil record.**



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**Frozen fruit trees with fruit still on them in the northern regions.**



**Warm climate land animal remains in the colder regions.**

**The remains of tropical plants buried deep in the ice of the North and South Poles.**

**Flood stories include a covering removed.**



# **Biblical Canopy Evidence:**

- ◆ **No rain** (Genesis 2:5)
- ◆ **Long life** (Genesis 5)
- ◆ **Flood gates of heaven rained forty days and nights** (Genesis 7:11-12)
- ◆ **First mention of winds** (Genesis 8:1)
- ◆ **Seasons established** (Genesis 8:22)
- ◆ **First mention of clouds and the rainbow** (Genesis 9:13)
- ◆ **Rapid decline in age longevity** (Genesis 11:10-26).

**A case can be won in court on circumstantial evidence alone. There is plenty of evidence to support the water canopy theory.**

**The water canopy theory and the flood destroy the concept of uniformitarianism.**

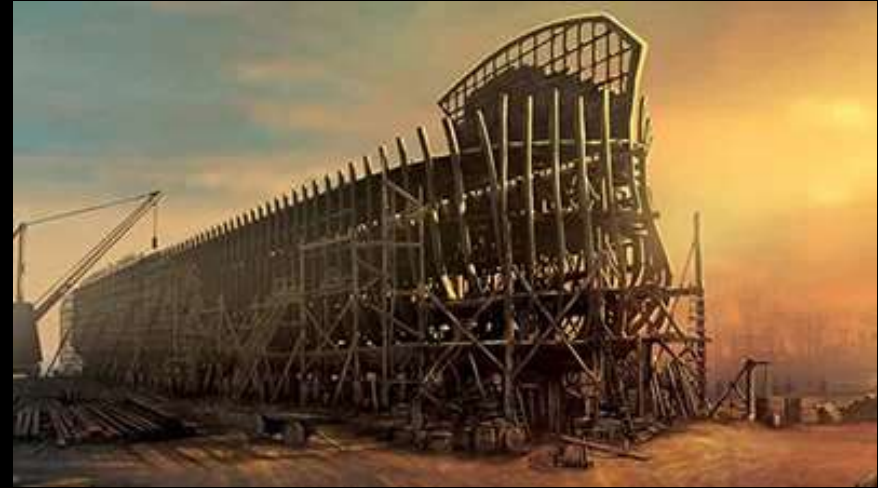
**The present is not the key to the past. Gods word tells us what happened in the past.**

**The Bible is consistent with itself!**



# The Ark:

Given what cubit you use, the ark was approximately 450 feet long, 75 feet wide, and 50 feet high. It had three stories with the equivalent space of



522 box cars that could carry 125,000 animals the size of a mature sheep. It was an engineering masterpiece to survived the rigors of a global

flood. Noah was no slouch when it came to intelligence.



# **The Animals:**

**God brought them from the local area.  
Animals were evenly distributed around the  
world. Genesis 6:20**

**They were not full-grown adults which means  
they would not eat as much, take up as much  
space, nor be ready to reproduce until after  
they left the ark.**

**None of them ate meat or other animals would be needed to feed the carnivores.**

**They all ate vegetation (Genesis 1:30).**

**Yes, the animals included the dinosaurs.**

**All animals found in the fossil record were buried by the flood.**

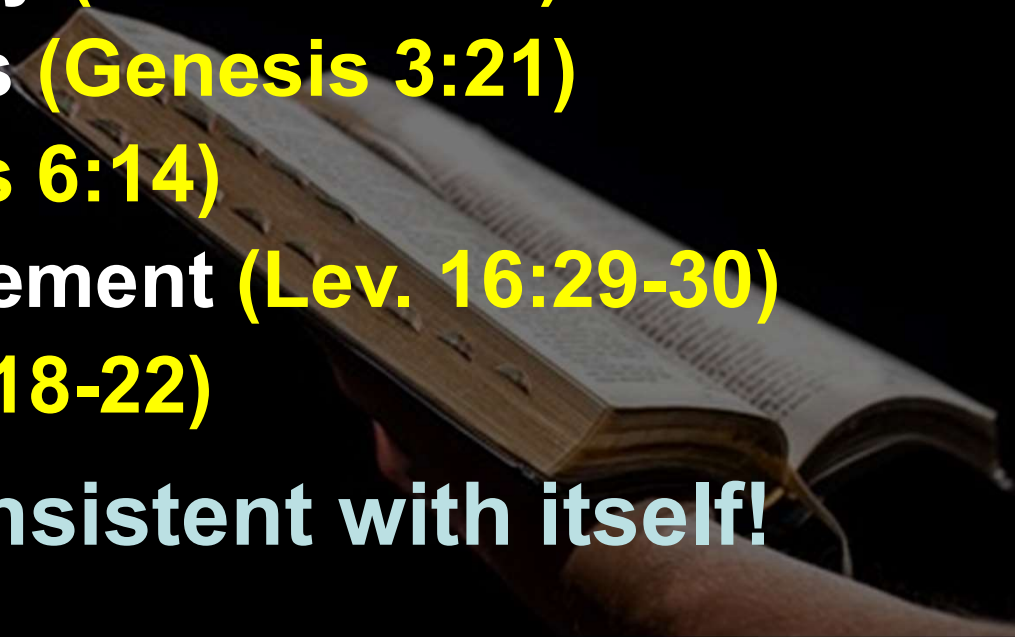


# **The Covering Principle:**

God provides a covering for those who live under His grace. There are five coverings in scripture.

1. The water canopy (**Genesis 1:7**)
2. The animal skins (**Genesis 3:21**)
3. The ark (**Genesis 6:14**)
4. The Day of Atonement (**Lev. 16:29-30**)
5. Jesus (**I Peter 3:18-22**)

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# **Vicarious Righteousness:**

Genesis 6:18 tells us the family of Noah were on the ark because Noah was declared righteous by God.

They were not there because of their own merit.

# **Vicarious Righteousness:**

**We will only be in heaven because of the righteousness of Jesus, not our own.**



**Jesus is our righteousness.**

**The Bible is consistent with itself!**

**JUST BELIEVE**  
**GOD'S WORD!**

An open book is shown from a slightly elevated perspective, lying flat. The pages are white and appear to be glowing from within. Overlaid on the book are two lines of large, bold, 3D block letters. The top line, 'JUST BELIEVE', is yellow with a slight orange gradient and is positioned at an angle, following the curve of the top page. The bottom line, 'GOD'S WORD!', is orange with a slight yellow gradient and is positioned horizontally across the bottom page. The background is a dark, starry space with a blue and purple nebula-like glow behind the book.