

SCIENCE &

SCRIPTURE

“By the word of the Lord the heavens were made, And by the breath of His mouth all their host. He gathers the waters of the sea together as a heap; He lays up the deeps in storehouses. Let all the earth fear the Lord; Let all the inhabitants of the world stand in awe of Him. For He spoke, and it was done.”

**Psalm 33:6-9
DAVID,
writer and king**

CREATION VS. EVOLUTION



THE MYTH OF EVOLUTION

“Ultimately the Darwinian theory of evolution is no more nor less than the great cosmogenic **myth** of the 20th century.”

Michael Denton

WHY EVOLUTION?

➤ **It is Man's best explanation leaving God out.**



➤ **If God is Creator, then all men stand accountable to Him.**

FLOOD VS. HISTORICAL GEOLOGY

1. Scripture Evidence



“The field of science that has probably been most effectively used by skeptics in attempting to discredit the Bible is geology, ...”

H. Morris

MAJOR ISSUES

1. **Historicity
of Flood**
2. **Nature of
Flood**
3. **Time Frame
of Geology**



HISTORICAL GEOLOGY

- **Evolution**
- **Uniformitarianism**
- **Geologic Column**

Geological Column

Cambrian

Precambrian

ERA	PERIOD	MILLIONS OF YEARS		TYPICAL PLANTS AND ANIMALS
		START	DURATION	
CENOZOIC	PLEISTOCENE	1	1	
	PLIOCENE	11	10	
	MIOCENE	25	14	
	OLIGOCENE	40	15	
	EOCENE	60	20	
	PALEOCENE	70	10	
MESOZOIC	CRETACEOUS	135	65	
	JURASSIC	180	45	
	TRIASSIC	225	45	
PALEOZOIC	PERMIAN	270	55	
	PENNSYLVANIAN	310	40	
	MISSISSIPPIAN	350	40	
	DEVONIAN	400	50	
	SILURIAN	440	40	
	ORDOVICIAN	500	60	
	CAMBRIAN	600	100	
	PRECAMBRIAN	LATE	1700	
EARLY		3440	1700	

HISTORICAL GEOLOGY

- **Evolution**
- **Uniformitarianism**
- **Geologic Column**
- **Long Ages**

FLOOD VIEWS

- **Multiple Catastrophism**
- **Tranquil Theory**
- **Local Flood**
- **Universal Flood**



LOCAL FLOOD

➤ Local in all Aspects

some people & animals not destroyed

➤ Local Geographically

universal destruction

If Local FLOOD?

- 1. Why an ark?**
- 2. Why take animals on ark?**
- 3. Why such large ark for local animals?**
- 4. Why birds on board?**
- 5. How could ark be above mountains?**
- 6. How did Mesopotamia contain flood?**



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- 6. How did Mesopotamia contain flood?**
- 7. How could flood last 370 days?**
- 8. Did some people escape judgment?**
- 9. Did God break covenant?**



**Little Water over
Lots of Time?**

or

**Lots of Water over
Little Time?**

SCRIPTURES

➤ **The Historicity of Flood**

HISTORICITY



➤ Narrative

OPTIONS

1. IRRELEVANT

2. MYTH



MYTH

“We cannot force the ancient writer to follow our own 20th-century canons of historical writing.”

Blackmore & Page

PSEUDOSCIENCE



SCRIPTURE

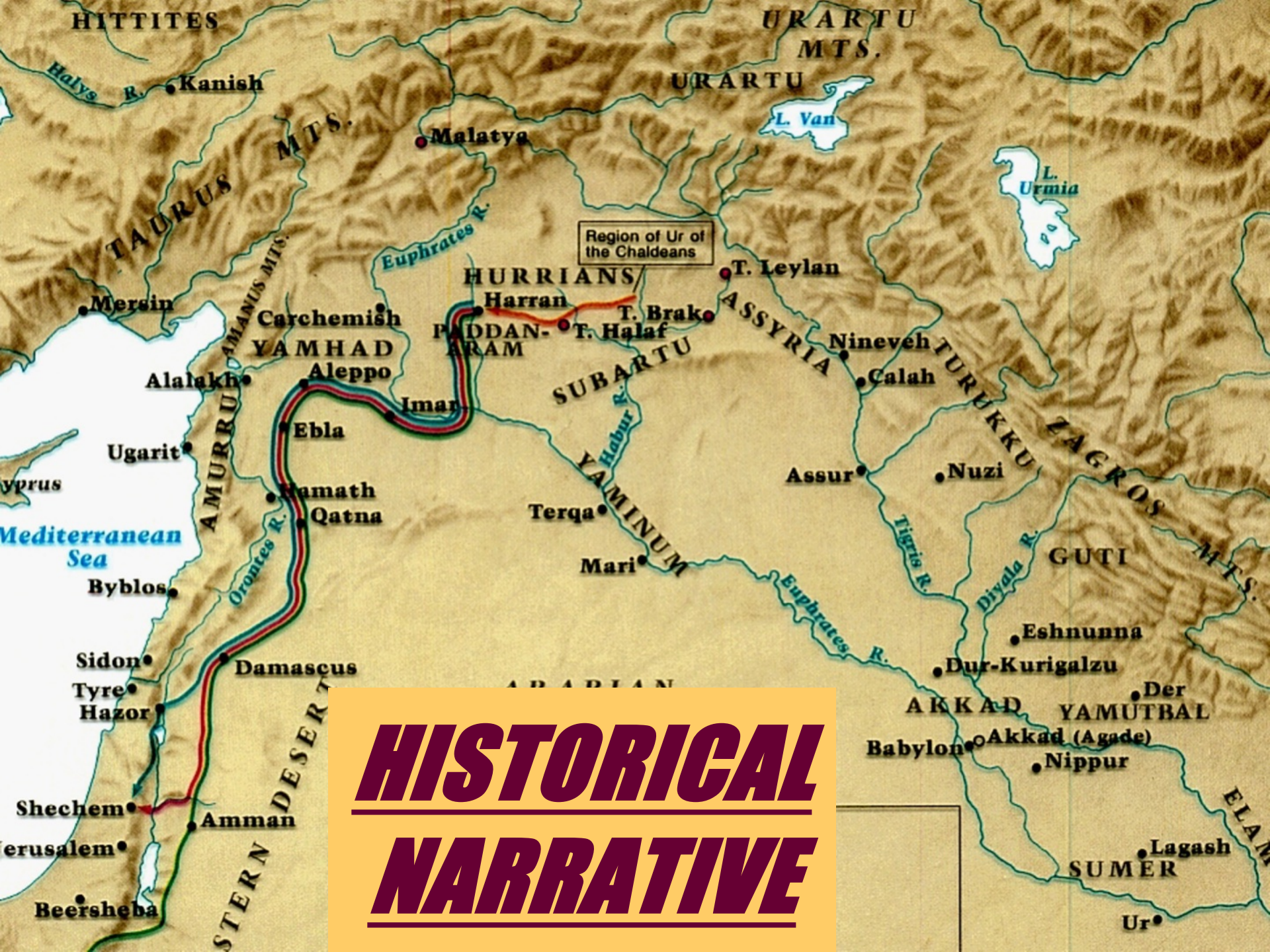
OPTIONS

1. IRRELEVANT

2. MYTH

3. HISTORICAL NARRATIVE





HISTORICAL
NARRATIVE

HISTORICITY

➤ Narrative

➤ Cultures

➤ Time Notes

➤ OT

➤ Details

➤ NT

➤ Noah

➤ Christ

SCRIPTURES

- **The Historicity of Flood**
- **The Flood Narratives**

FLOOD

➤ **Judgment -**

Wicked

Universal -

Mankind

Earth

➤ **Deliverance -**

Righteous

Selective -

Noah's Family

Animals

GEN 6-9

1. Universal Corruption

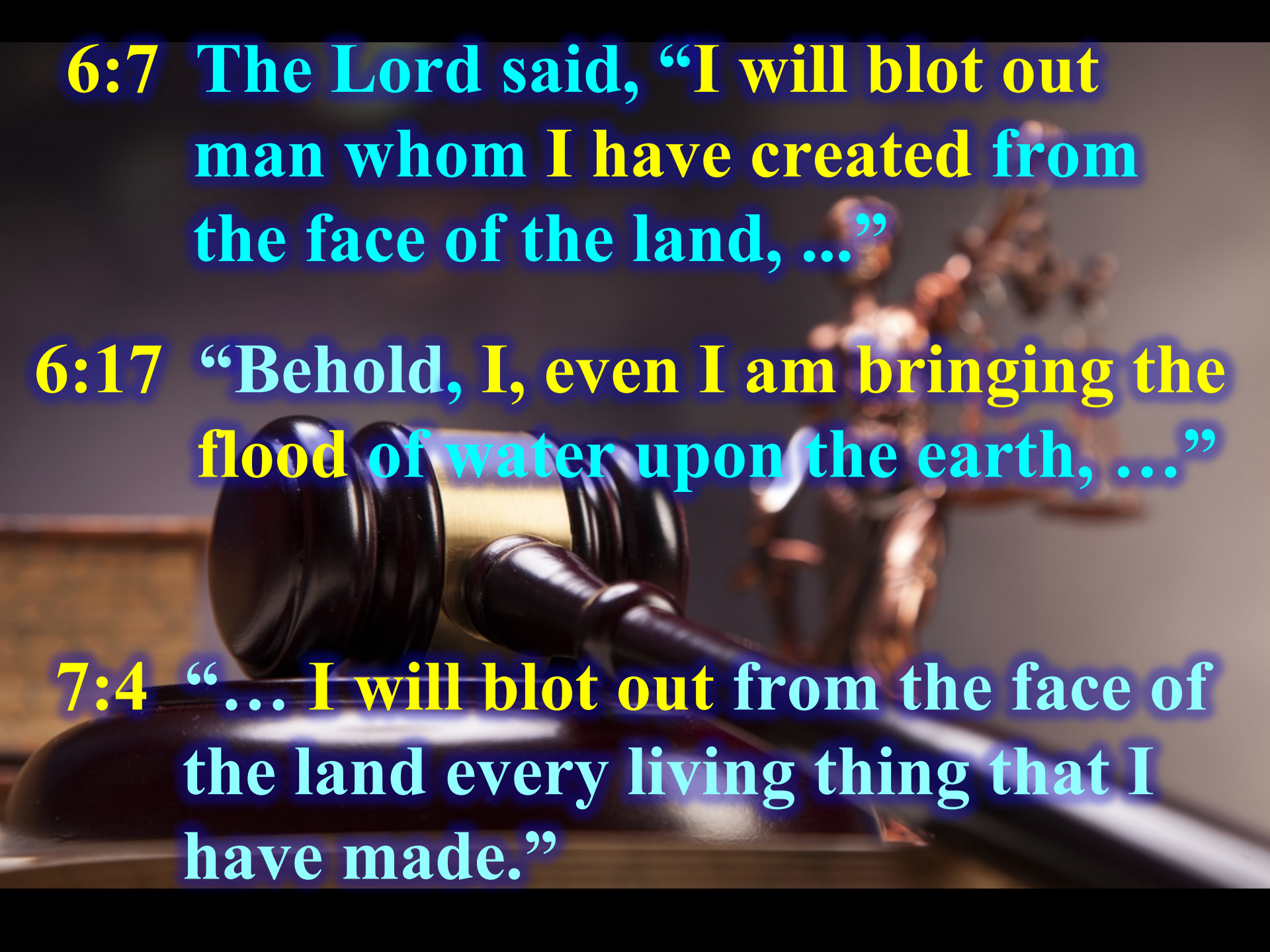


Gen 6:5 Then the Lord saw that the wickedness of man was great on the earth, and that every intent of the thoughts of his heart was only evil continually.

GEN 6-9

1. Universal Corruption
2. God's Determination



A close-up photograph of a wooden gavel with a brass band, resting on a wooden surface. In the background, a pair of brass scales of justice is visible, slightly out of focus. The lighting is dramatic, highlighting the textures of the wood and metal.

6:7 The Lord said, “I will blot out man whom I have created from the face of the land, ...”

6:17 “Behold, I, even I am bringing the flood of water upon the earth, ...”

7:4 “... I will blot out from the face of the land every living thing that I have made.”

6:5 - DEPRAVITY

➤ **Wickedness - רעת**

➤ **Was Great - רבה**

➤ **Only - רק**

➤ **Evil - רע**

Gen 6:11-12 Now the earth was corrupt in the sight of God, and the earth was filled with violence. 12 God looked on the earth, and behold, it was corrupt; for all flesh had corrupted their way upon the earth.

GEN 6-9

1. Universal Corruption
2. God's Determination
3. Ark's Existence



NOAH'S ARK

**It was
BIG!!!**

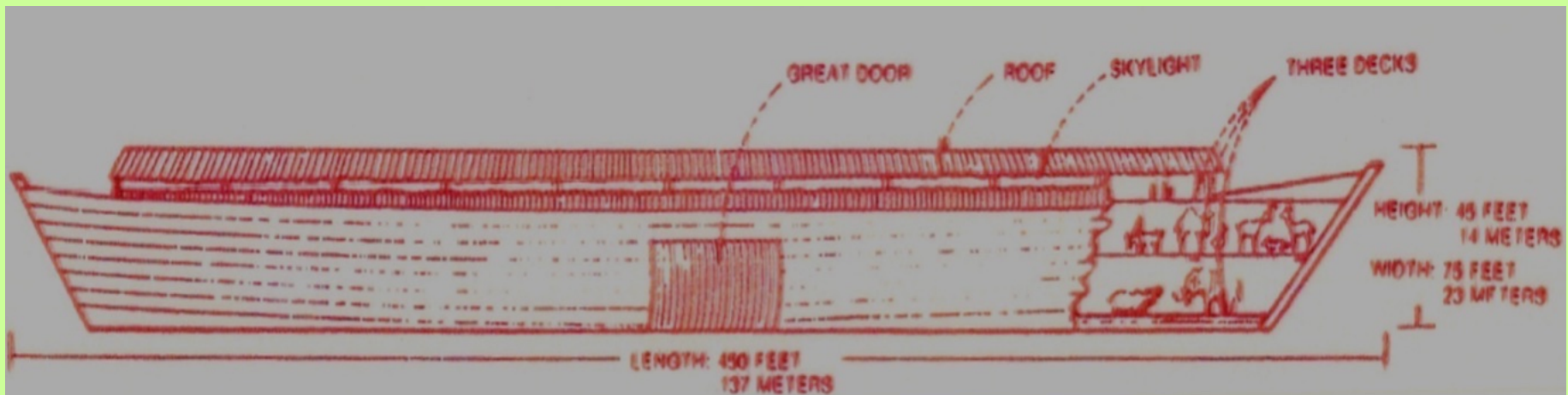
Floor Space - 2.2 Ac

= 20 BB cts

= 522 RR cars

Volume - 1.4 million ft³

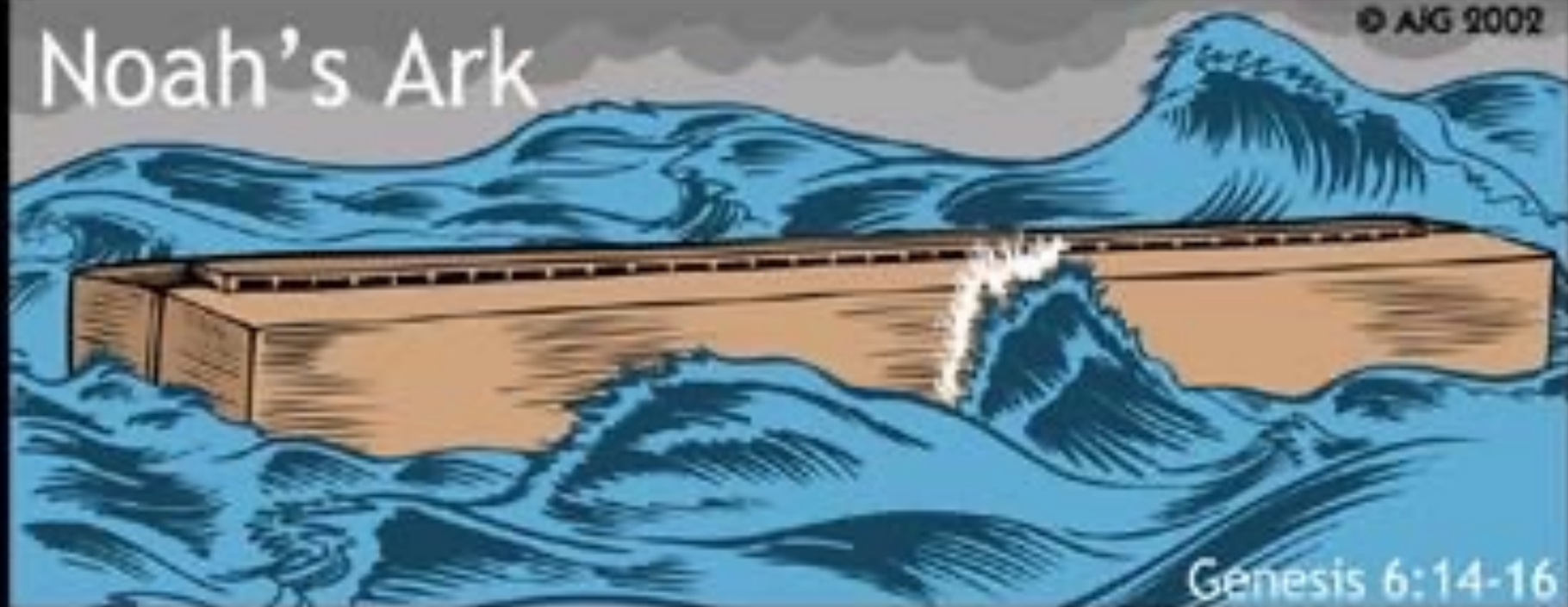
= 340 semi-trailers



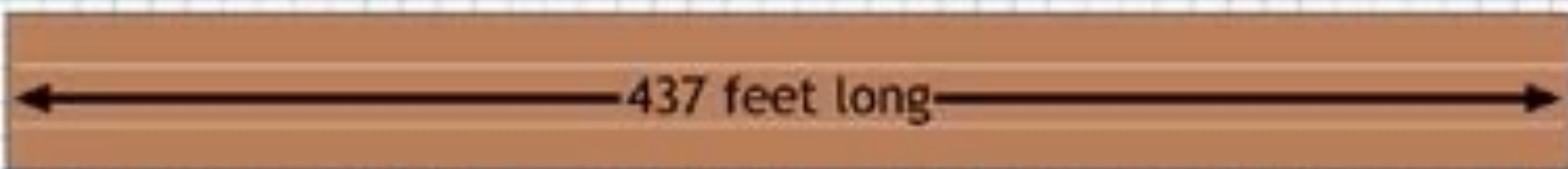
Artist's Concept of Noah's Ark

Noah's Ark

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Genesis 6:14-16



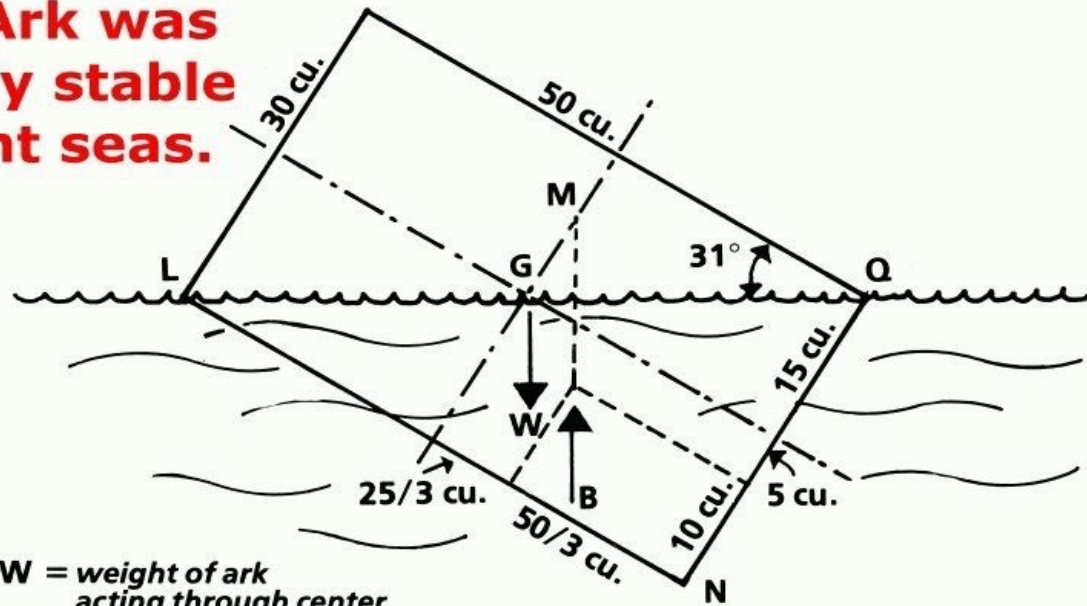
73 ft wide



44 ft
high

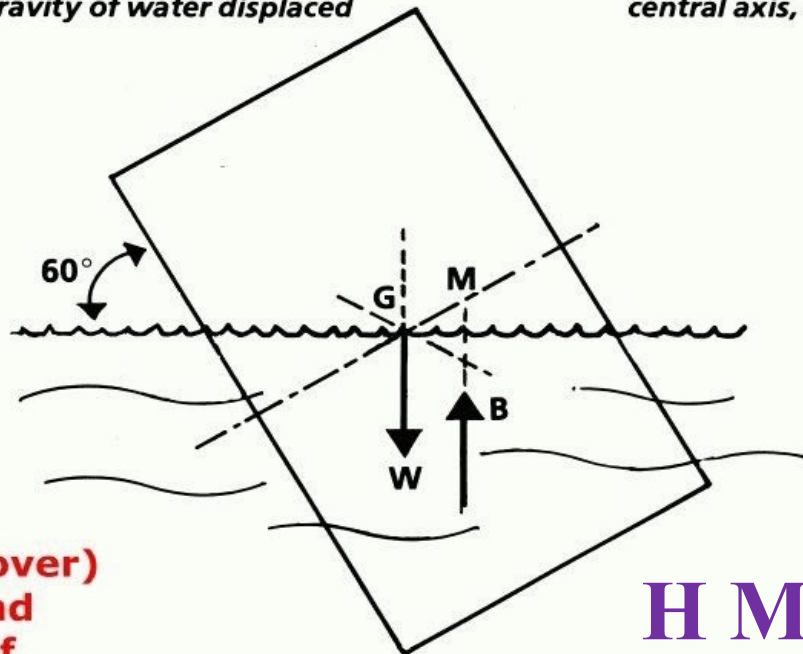


Noah's Ark was extremely stable to violent seas.



W = weight of ark acting through center of gravity **G**
B = buoyant force acting through center of gravity of water displaced

M = metacenter, where line of action of **B** intersects central axis, above **G**



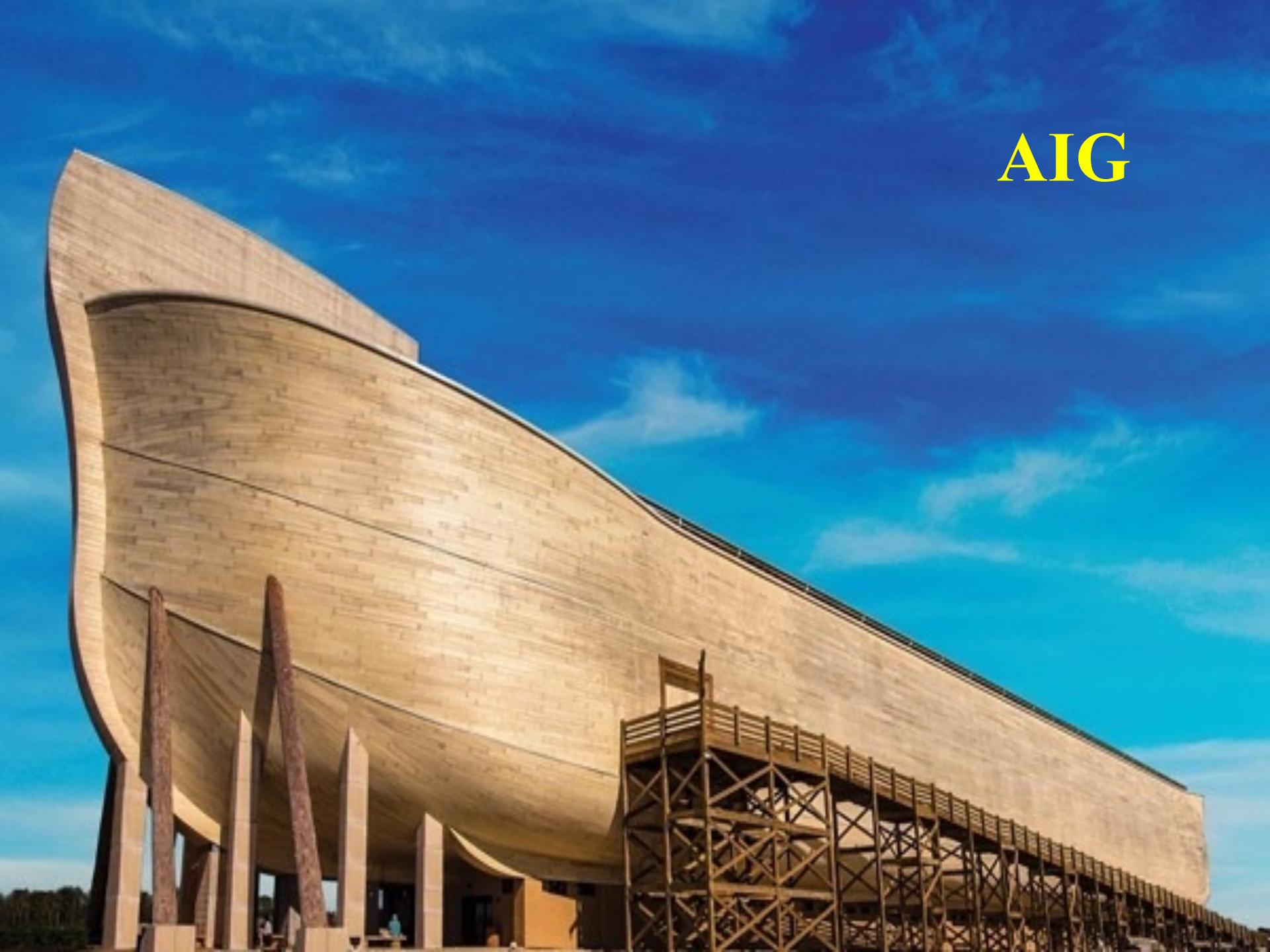
It could list (tilt over) beyond 60° and still right itself.

H Morris



**Dutch Ark - Johan Huibers
410'x95'x75', 2,500 tons, 2012**

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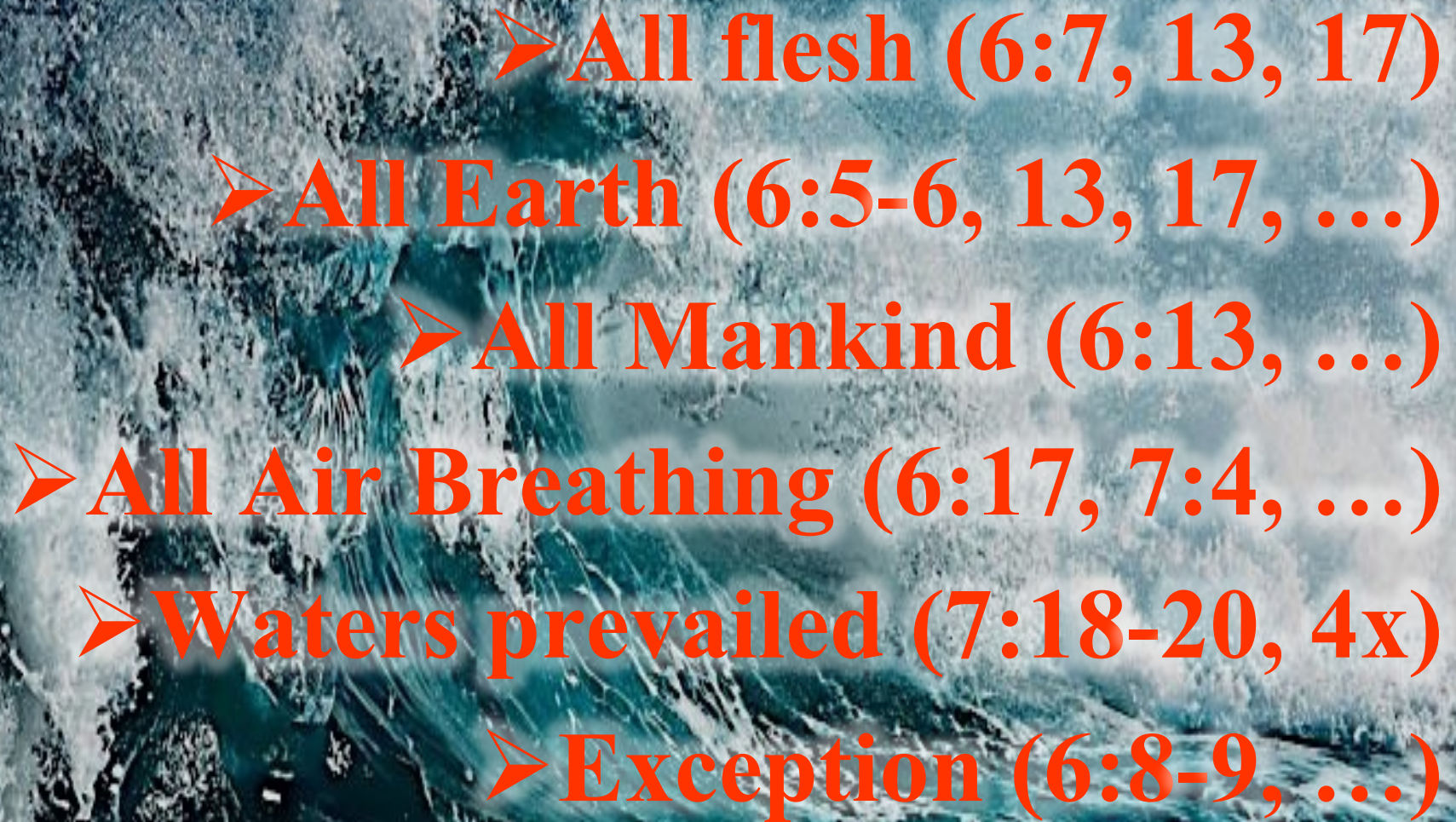




GEN 6-9

1. Universal Corruption
2. God's Determination
3. Ark's Existence
4. Universal Destruction



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- All flesh (6:7, 13, 17)
 - All Earth (6:5-6, 13, 17, ...)
 - All Mankind (6:13, ...)
 - All Air Breathing (6:17, 7:4, ...)
 - Waters prevailed (7:18-20, 4x)
 - Exception (6:8-9, ...)

DESTRUCTION

GEN 6-9

1. Universal Corruption
2. God's Determination
3. Ark's Existence
4. Universal Destruction
5. Universal Language



Gen 7:19-23 The water prevailed **more** (מִמָּוֶד) and **more** (מִמָּוֶד) upon the earth, so that **all** (כָּל) the high mountains **everywhere** (כָּל) under the heavens were covered. 20 ...
21 **All** (כָּל) flesh that moved on the earth perished, birds and cattle and beasts and **every** (כָּל) swarming thing that swarms upon the earth, and **all** (כָּל) mankind; 22 ...

Gen 7:19-23 ... 22 of all (כָּל) that was on the dry land, all (כָּל) in whose nostrils was the breath of the spirit of life, died. 23 Thus He blotted out every (כָּל) living thing that was upon the face of the land, from man to animals to creeping things and to birds of the sky ...; and only (רַחֵם) Noah was left, together with those that were with him in the ark.

UNIVERSAL LANGUAGE

All ...



Every ...

Flesh (12x)

Earth (2x)

Fountains (7:11)

Mountains (7:19)

Mankind (7:21)

Successive

Generations (9:12)

כָּל

(~38x)

Thing (2x)

Living Thing (4x)

Kind (6:19-20)

Where (7:19)

Creeping Thing (2x)

Swarming Thing (7:21)

Beast (2x)

Living Creature (4x)

FLOOD TERMS

מַבּוּל

(mabul 13x)

κατακλυσμός

(kataklusmos 5x)

יָאֵר (yeor)

ποταμός (potamos)

נְהַר (nehar)

πλήμμυρα (plemmura)

נַחַל (nachal)

GEN 6-9

1. Universal Corruption
2. God's Determination
3. Ark's Existence
4. Universal Destruction
5. Universal Language
6. Geological Upheaval



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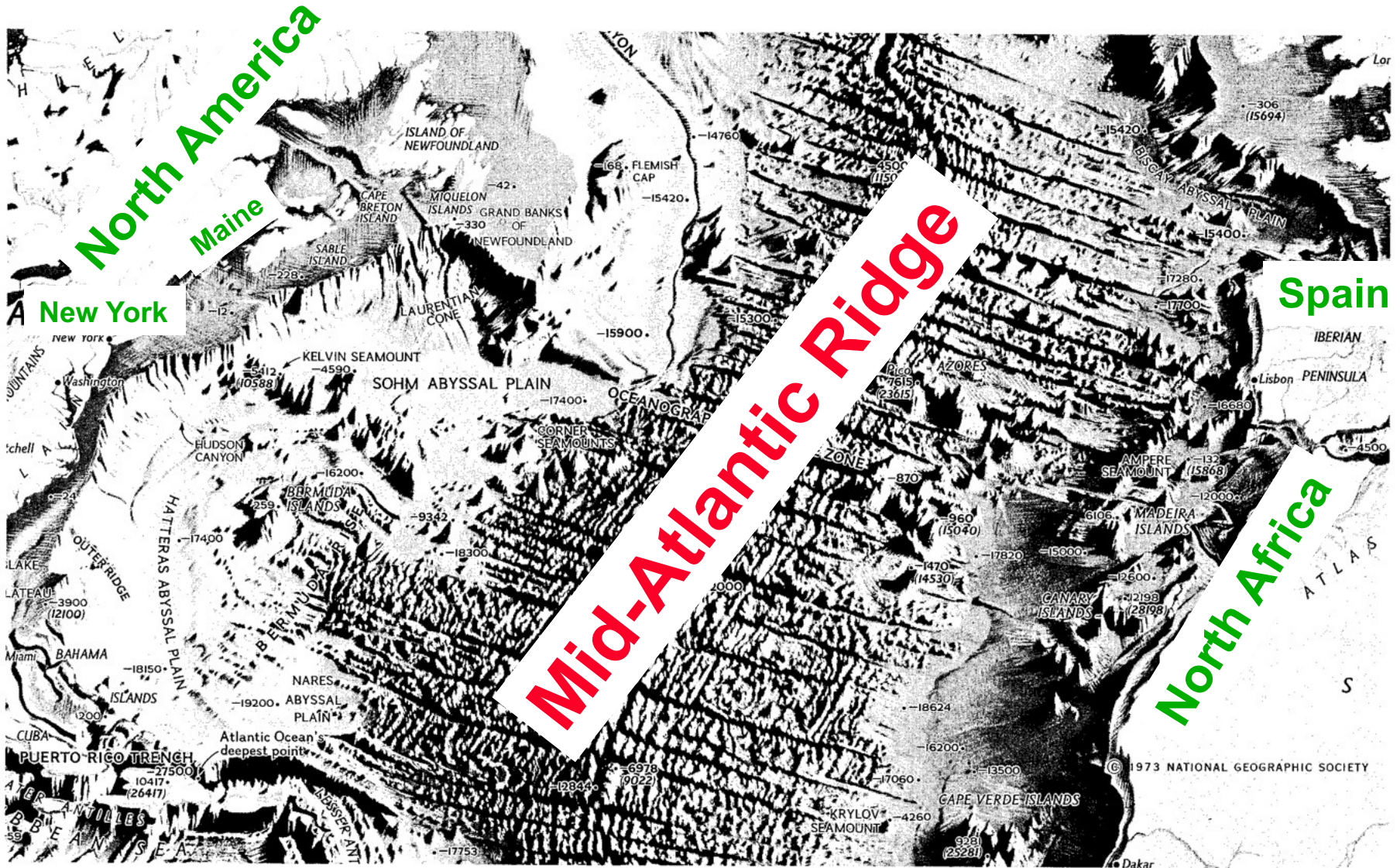
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1. Deep Fountains



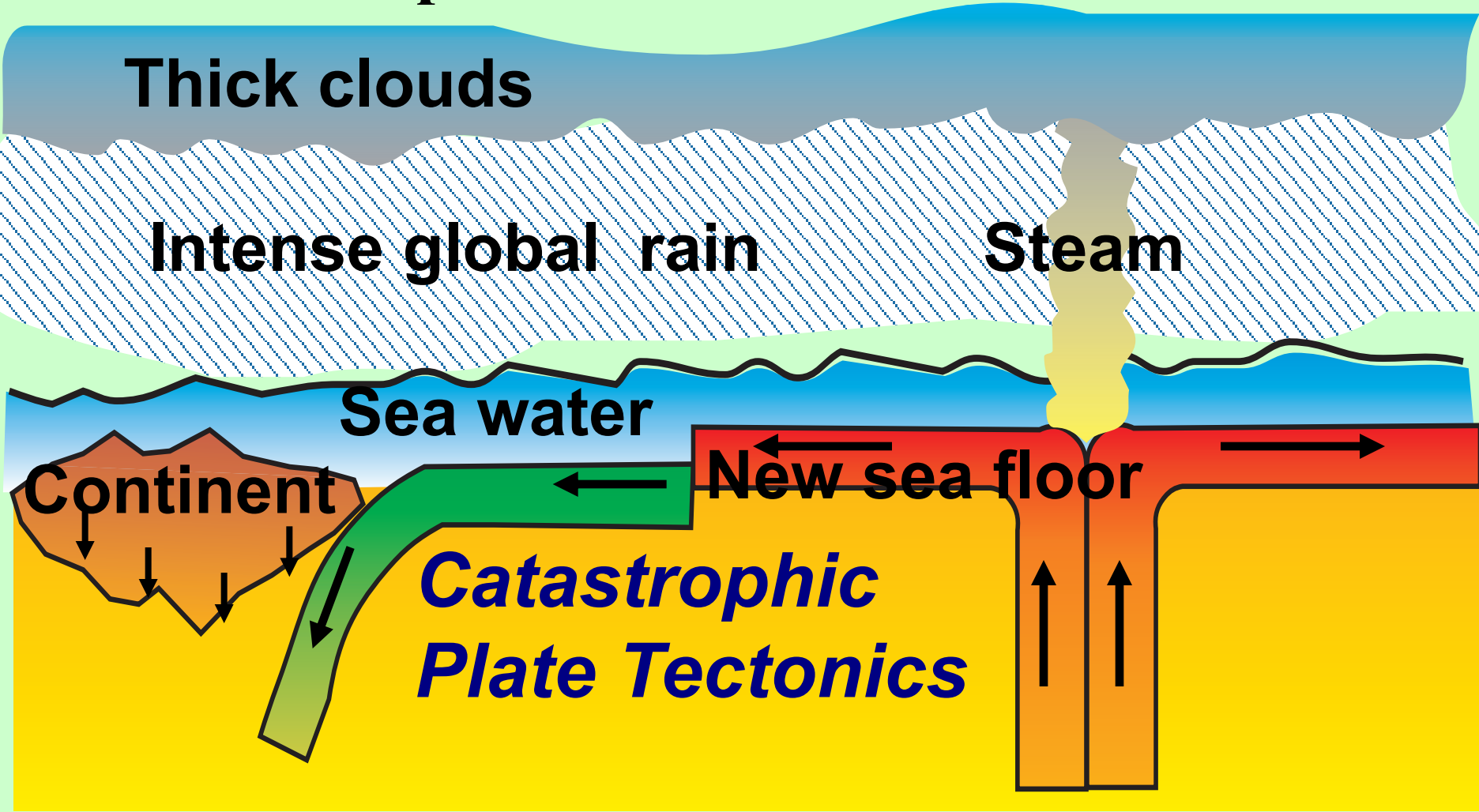
The Flood split the Continents

Plates spread in months — continental “*sprint*”, not drift



The water came from the “the great deep”

“ all the fountains of the great deep
burst open ” — *Genesis 7:11*





C A T A C L Y S M I C

1. Deep Fountains
2. 1 Year Storm

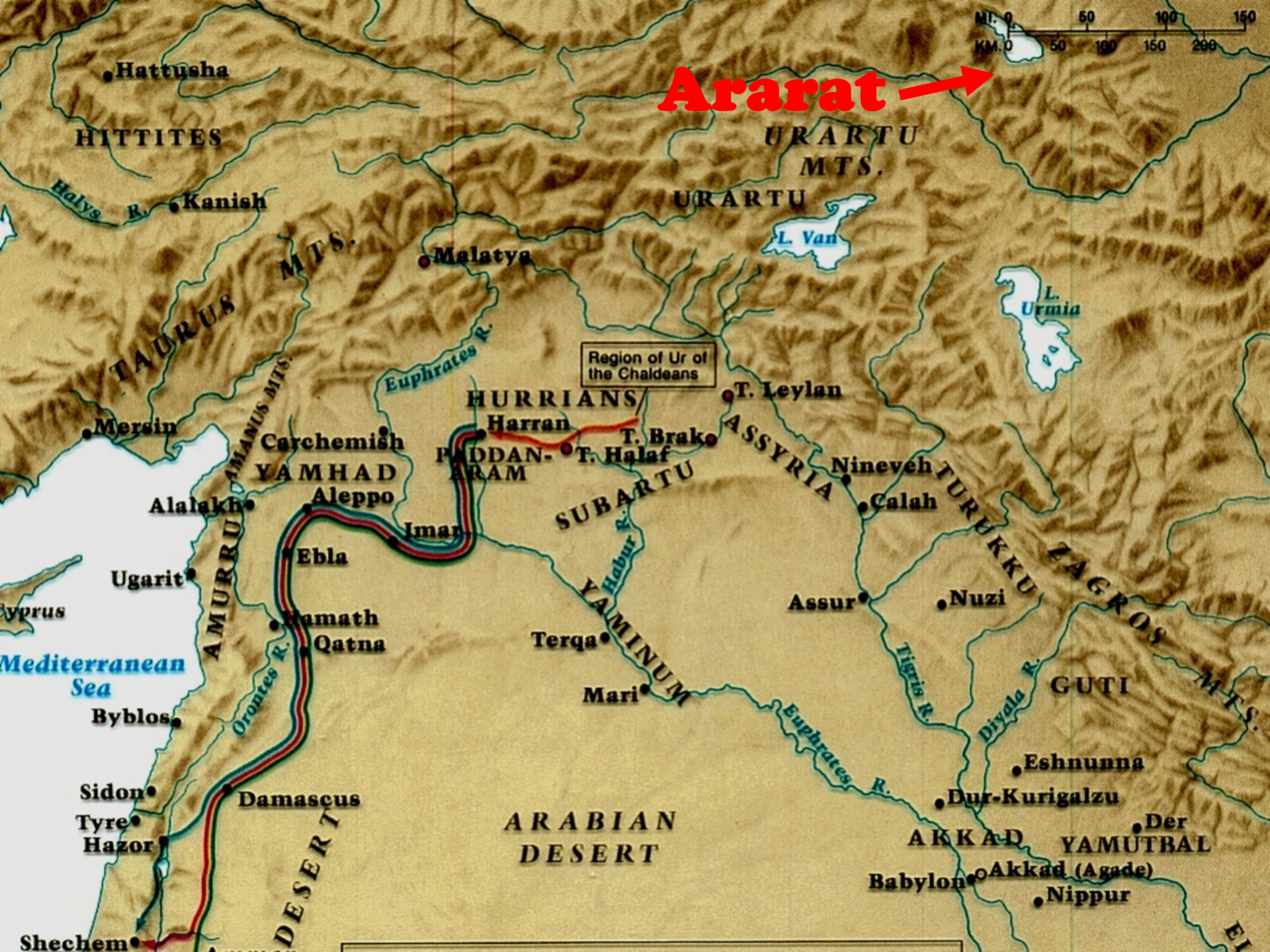
FLOOD

- **Fountains of Deep**
- **40 Day Rain**
- **150 Day Storm**
- **150 Day Recession**
- **377 Day Ride**



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- 1. Deep Fountains**
- 2. 1 Year Storm**
- 3. Mountain Inundation**
- 4. Mountain Building**
- 5. Continental Movements**
- 6. Cosmological Changes**



Ararat →

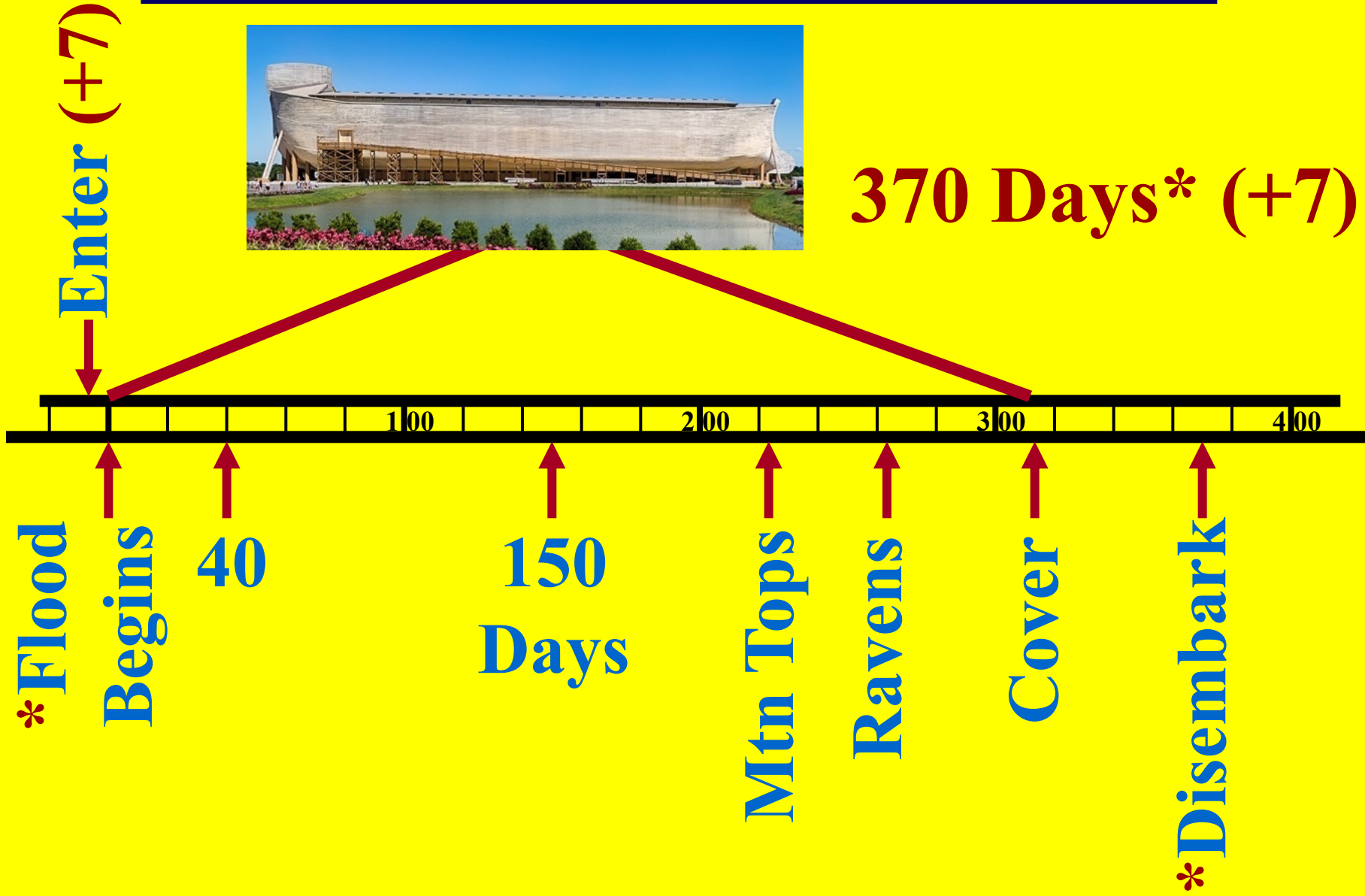


Region of Ur of the Chaldeans

FLOOD CHRONOLOGY



370 Days* (+7)



GEN 6-9

1. Universal Corruption
2. God's Determination
3. Ark's Existence
4. Universal Destruction
5. Universal Language
6. Geological Upheaval
7. Covenant



DISPENSATION

- **Oceans Extensive**
- **New Continents**
- **Geological Upheaval**
- **Climate Changes**
- **Ice Age**
- **Barren Lands**
- **Extinction of Dinosaurs**



SCRIPTURES

- **The Historicity of Flood**
- **The Flood Narratives**
- **The Rest of the OT**
- **The NT**

FLOOD VS. HISTORICAL GEOLOGY

- 1. Scripture Evidence**
- 2. Scientific Evidence**

“For the LORD is a great God and a great King above all gods In whose hand are the depths of the earth, The peaks of the mountains are His also. The sea is His, for it was He who made it, And His hands formed the dry land. Come, let us worship and bow down. Let us kneel before the Lord our Maker. For He is our God.”

Psalm 95:4-7

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