

Noah's Ark

Genesis 6-9



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Gen 6:1 The number of people on earth continued to increase. When these people had daughters, the sons of God saw how beautiful they were. So they chose the women they wanted. They married them, and the women had their children. Then the LORD said, "People are only human. I will not let my Spirit be troubled by them forever. I will let them live only 120 years." During this time and also later, the Nephilim people lived in the land. They have been famous as powerful soldiers since ancient times.

Gen 6:5 The LORD saw that the people on the earth were very evil. He saw that they thought only about evil things all the time.

Gen 6:6 The LORD was sorry that he had made people on the earth. It made him very sad in his heart.

Gen 6:7 So the LORD said, "I will destroy all the people I created on the earth. I will destroy every person and every animal and everything that crawls on the earth. And I will destroy all the birds in the air, because I am sorry that I have made them." ~ERV

Gen 6:8 But Noah pleased the LORD.

Gen 6:9 This is the history of Noah's family.

He was a good man all his life, and he always followed God.

Gen 6:10 Noah had three sons: Shem, Ham, and Japheth.

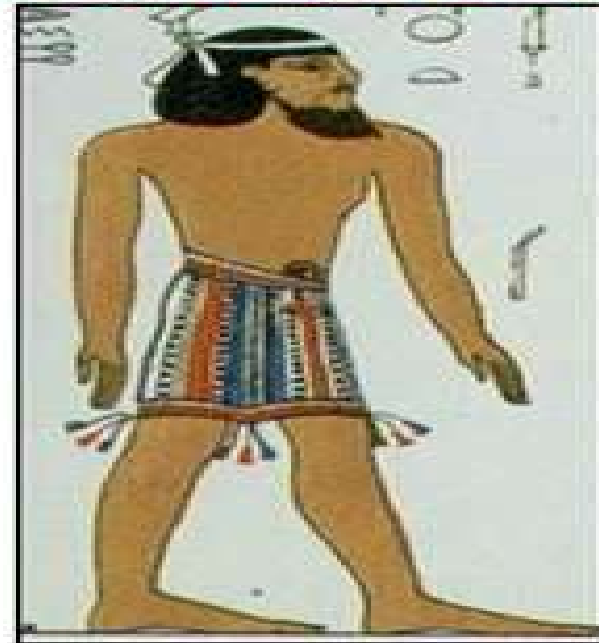
Japheth



Ham



Shem



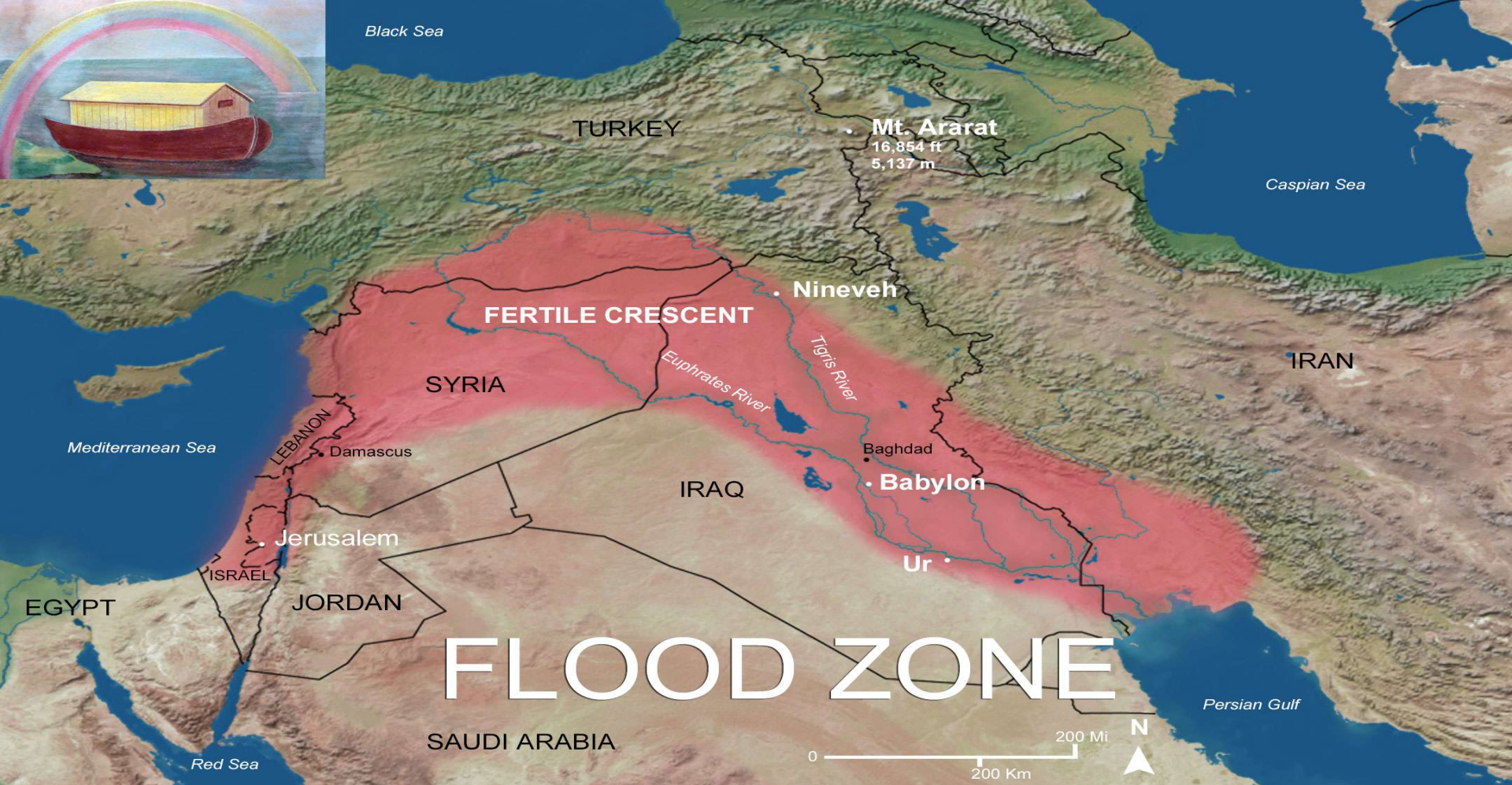
Gen 6:11 When God looked at the earth, he saw that people had ruined it. Violence was everywhere, and it had ruined their life on earth.

Gen 6:13 So God said to Noah, "Everyone has filled the earth with anger and violence. So I will destroy all living things. I will remove them from the earth.

Gen 6:14 Use cypress wood and build a boat for yourself. Make rooms in the boat and cover it with tar inside and out.



Gen 6:15 "This is the size I want you to make the boat: 300 cubits long, 50 cubits wide, and 30 cubits high.



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Gen 6:18 I will make a special agreement with you. You, your wife, your sons, and their wives will all go into the boat.

Gen 6:19 Also, you will take two of every living thing on the earth with you into the boat. Take a male and female of every kind of animal so that they might survive with you. ~ERV

Gen 7:4 Seven days from now, I will send much rain on the earth. It will rain for 40 days and 40 nights, and I will wipe everything off the face of the earth. I will destroy everything I made."

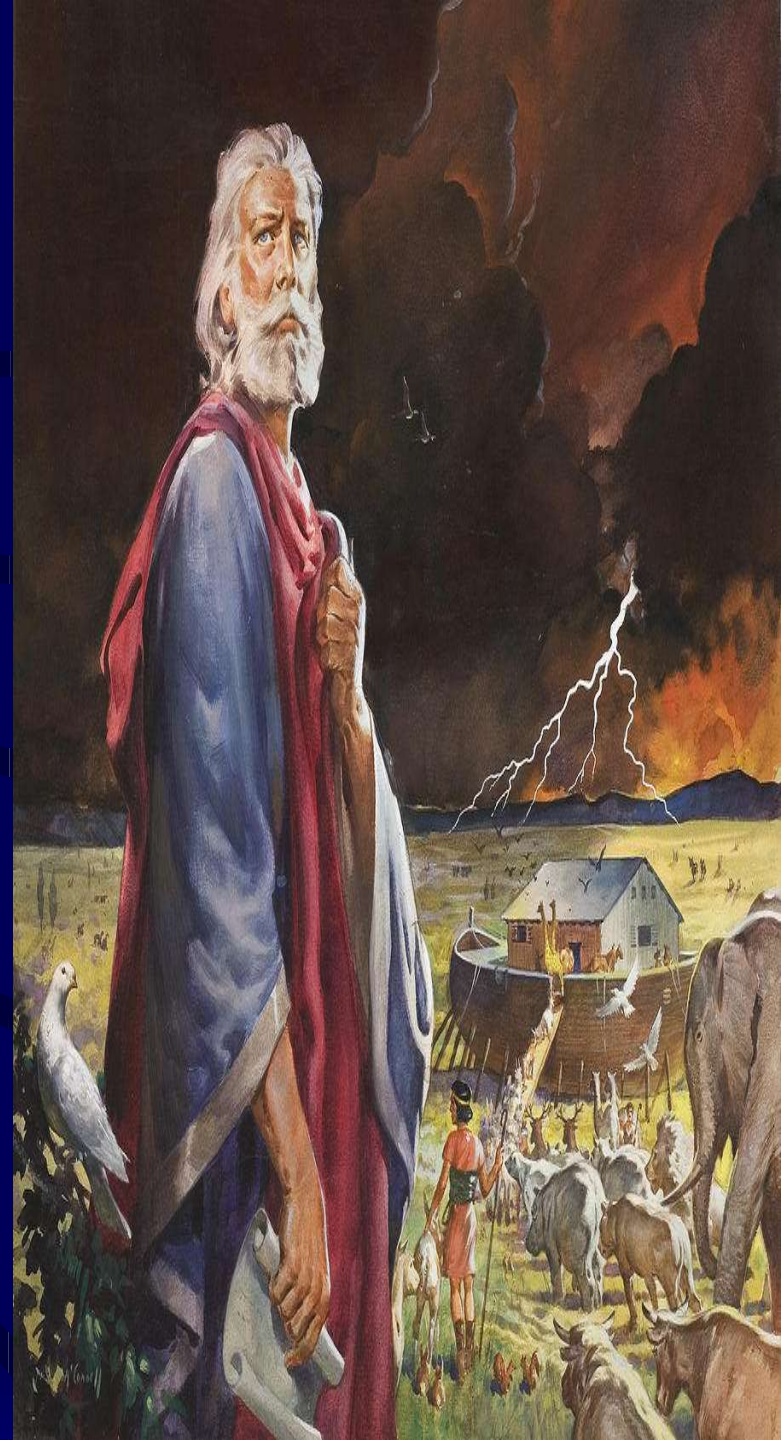
Gen 7:5 Noah did everything the LORD told him to do. ~ERV



Ship's Log

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- ✓ Day 40—Rain stops
 - ✓ Day 150—Ark rests on Ararat
 - ✓ Day 224—Mountaintops seen
 - ✓ Day 264—Raven sent out
 - ✓ Day 271—Dove sent out and returns
 - ✓ Day 278—Dove returns with olive leaf
 - ✓ Day 285—Dove doesn't return
 - ✓ Day 314—Ark cover removed
 - ✓ Day 371—Noah disembarks

Noah's Ark (Hebrew: תִּיבַת נֹחַ; Biblical Hebrew: Tevat Noah) is the vessel in the Genesis flood narrative (Genesis chapters 6–9) by which God saves Noah, his family, and a remnant of all the world's animals from the flood. According to Genesis, God gave Noah instructions for building the ark. Seven days before the deluge, God told Noah to enter the ark with his household and the animals. ~Wikipedia





Mount
Ararat



Turkey

Mediterranean Sea

Cyprus



Israel

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The story goes on to describe the ark being afloat throughout the flood and subsequent receding of the waters before it came to rest on the Mountains of Ararat. ~Wikipedia



The story is repeated, with variations, in the Quran, where the ark appears as Safina Nuh (Arabic:"Noah's boat"). The Genesis flood narrative is similar to numerous other flood myths from a variety of cultures. The earliest known written flood myth is the Sumerian flood myth found in the Epic of Ziusudra. ~Wikipedia Also, epic of Gilgamesh.

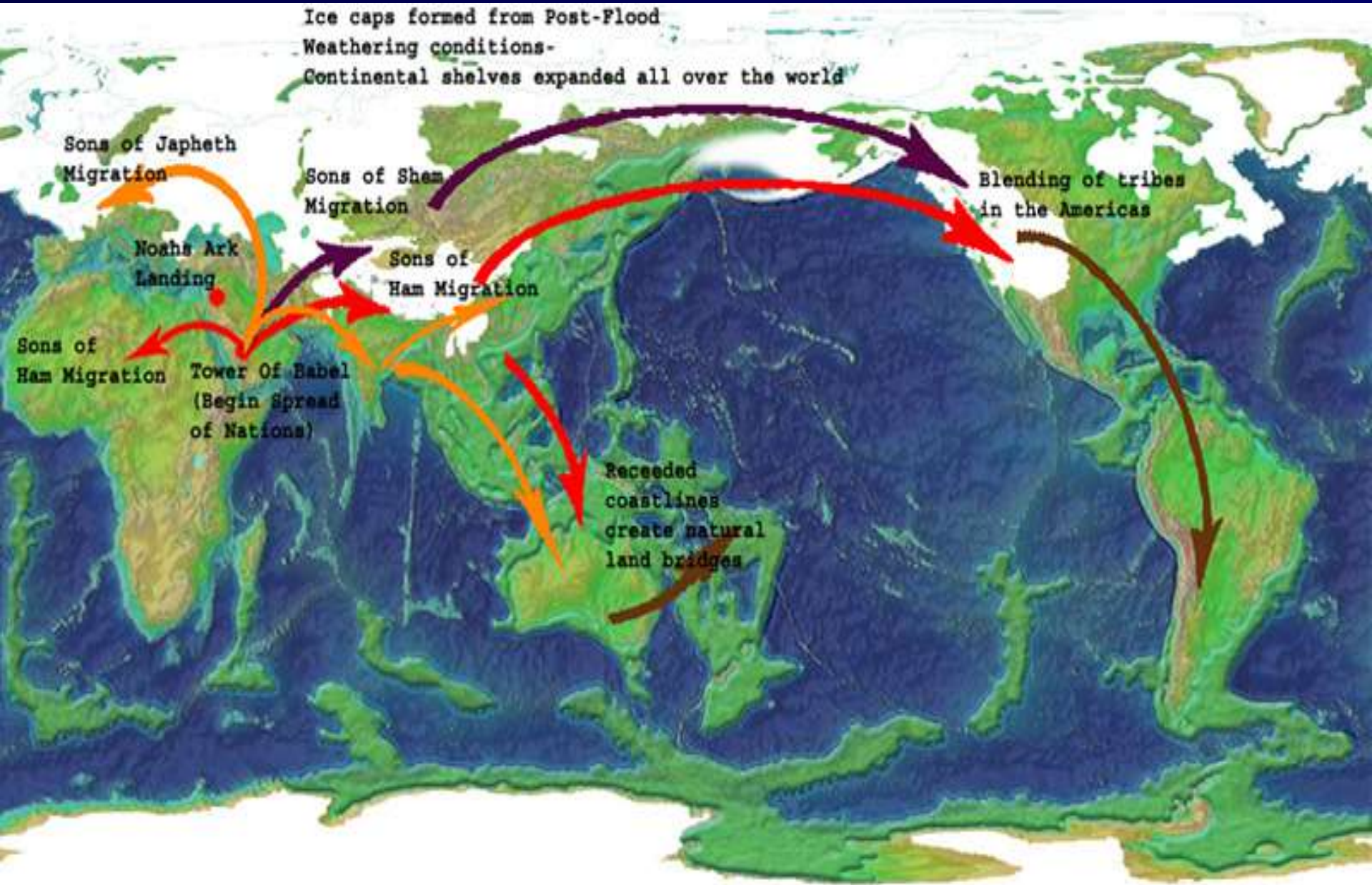


Searches for Noah's Ark have been made from at least the time of Eusebius (c.275–339 AD) to the present day. Despite many expeditions, no scientific evidence of the ark has been found.

Speculation

- Archaeologists have found no evidence of 'Noah's Ark.'
- The story sounds 'too fantastic'. “one man who gathered every animal in the world on 1 boat..”
- Many ancient cultures have a 'great flood' myth
- Flavius Josephus recorded history and tradition of the accounts regarding Noah and his descendants. According to Josephus' findings, the ark had been disassembled shortly after the flood, and used for building materials.

Generations of Noah



Sons of Noah: Shem, Ham and Japheth

The Flood story tells how Noah and his three sons Shem, Ham, and Japheth, together with their wives, were saved from the Deluge to repopulate the Earth.

1823 map by Robert Wilkinson. Prior to the mid-19th century, Shem was associated with all of Asia, Ham with all of Africa and Japheth with all of Europe.



Gen 9:1 God blessed Noah and his sons and said to them, "Have many children. Fill the earth with your people. ~ERV

Shem's name means "name" or "fame". Through Eber he became the ancestor of Abraham and thus of the Israelites. In the view of some 17th-century European scholars, the people of China and India descended from Shem.

Ham is the forefather of Cush, Egypt, and Put, and of Canaan, whose lands include portions of Africa, Arabia, Syria-Palestine and Mesopotamia.

BABEL EXPLAINS OUR DIFFERENCES

"Of the three sons of Noah the whole earth was overspread" Genesis 9:19



Japheth is apparently the youngest son, although his line is given first. His name is associated with the mythological Greek Titan Iapetos, and his sons include Javan, the Greek-speaking cities of Ionia. ~Wikipedia

Evidence Suggests Noah's Ark Flood Existed, Says Robert Ballard, Archaeologist Who Found Titanic

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Many have claimed to have discovered evidence of Noah's Ark, the huge ship that Noah filled with two of each creature to repopulate the planet following God's devastating flood. But in the 1990s, geologists William Ryan and Walter Pitman gathered compelling evidence that showed a flood--if not an ark--may have occurred in the Middle East region about 7,500 years ago.



The theory, the Guardian reports, is that a rising Mediterranean Sea pushed a channel through what is now the Bosphorus, submerging the original shoreline of the Black Sea in a deluge flowing at about 200 times the volume of Niagara Falls and extending out for 100,000 square miles.

Ballard is using advanced robotic technology to travel back nearly 12,000 years to a time when much of the Earth was covered in ice, ABC reports. If and when this ice started to melt, massive floods may have surged through parts of the globe, wreaking havoc on anything and anyone in its way. The story of Noah and his ark is a building block of Genesis, in the Old Testament. It is similar in some respects to the Babylonian epic of Gilgamesh, according to National Geographic, and the ancient Greeks, Romans and Native Americans all have their own variations on legendary flood stories.

Bottom of Grand Canyon
Exposed less than 1 million years



Top of Grand Canyon
Exposed 5 million years



Noah's Flood to cleanse the world of evil. Baptism to cleanse us of sin.

1Pe 3:18 Christ himself suffered when he died for you, and with that one death he paid for your sins. He was not guilty, but he died for people who are guilty. He did this to bring all of you to God. In his physical form he was killed, but he was made alive by the Spirit.

1Pe 3:19 And by the Spirit he went and preached to the spirits in prison. ~ERV

1Pe 3:20 Those were the spirits who refused to obey God long ago in the time of Noah. God was waiting patiently for people while Noah was building the big boat. And only a few--eight in all--were saved in the boat through the floodwater.

1Pe 3:21 And that water is like baptism, which now saves you. Baptism is not the washing of dirt from the body. It is asking God for a clean conscience. It saves you because Jesus Christ was raised from death.

Summary

- The world had become so sinful that God destroyed it by water, save a few who obeyed Him.
- Water through baptism now saves us, because Jesus paid for our sins, and was raised.
- According to Josephus and other ancient historians, 'the complete ark' will not be found
- More scientific evidence is starting to support 'Noah's Flood', suggesting extreme weather patterns caused massive worldwide flooding.

The Great Commission

"Go ye therefore and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit: Teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have Commanded you: and, lo, I am with you Always, even unto the end of the world.

Amen."

Jesus

Matthew 28:19-20

