

Isaiah 8:11-20

v.11 – Walk a different way

v.12 – Talk a different talk

v.13 – Sanctify Yehovah – Make God your all – total - exclusive

v.16 – Torah and testimony

Torah is the talk – Teaching – Truth – God’s way

Testimony is the walk – Lifestyle – Evidence

v.17 – Wait on Yehovah

v.18 – Be living signs – that Yehovah’s ways are LIFE - Good

v.20 – Torah and testimony – OR – NO Light

Issues in Genesis 1-3

1. **God** - Origin – 1st Cause – vs. gods or chance – Idolatry
2. **Creation** – Intelligent design vs. Mindless accident
3. **Time** – Evening/Morning – Day – Week – “Moonth” – Year
4. **Adam** – Identity – Image of God vs. Evolved animal
5. **Dominion** – Environment – God’s world vs. Mother earth
6. **Gender** – Sexuality – Male & female – Human morality
7. **Reproduction** – Fruitful & multiply – Children – Value of Life
8. **Diet** – Body Temple – Health and Environment
9. **Sabbath** – Holy Time – Day of Worship
10. **Choice** – 2 Trees – Freedom – Love – vs. Determinism
11. **Death** – Nature of Adam – Mortal vs. Immortal
12. **Partner** – Helper Comparable – Life-saving same-opposite
13. **Family** – Leave & Cleave – Marriage – Social structure unit
14. **Fall** – Sin – Curse – Consequences – Cruelty in creation
15. **Flood** – Geology – Age of earth – Short vs. Long

Science: Creation vs. Evolution

Cosmology – Did the universe create itself?

Biology – Did life spontaneously self-generate?

Geology – Do the fossils and rock record support a long-age uniformitarian evolution model, OR a short-age catastrophic creation-flood model?

Creation – Genesis 1 – 6 days - Literal language

Geneology – Genesis 5 – Men living 900+ years

Giants – Genesis 6 – Nephilim – Human descent

Ark – Genesis 6 – God SAVING humanity

The Animals and the Ark

6:19-20 – Command and Purpose for Ark

To save humans and animals from extinction

Two of all living creatures – a male and a female

7:2-3 – Embarkation instructions – 7 days

Seven seven – of clean animals – and birds

Two – of unclean animals

7:8-9 – Embarkation story – Noah and family board ark

Animals – They came to Noah in the ark – **Two two**

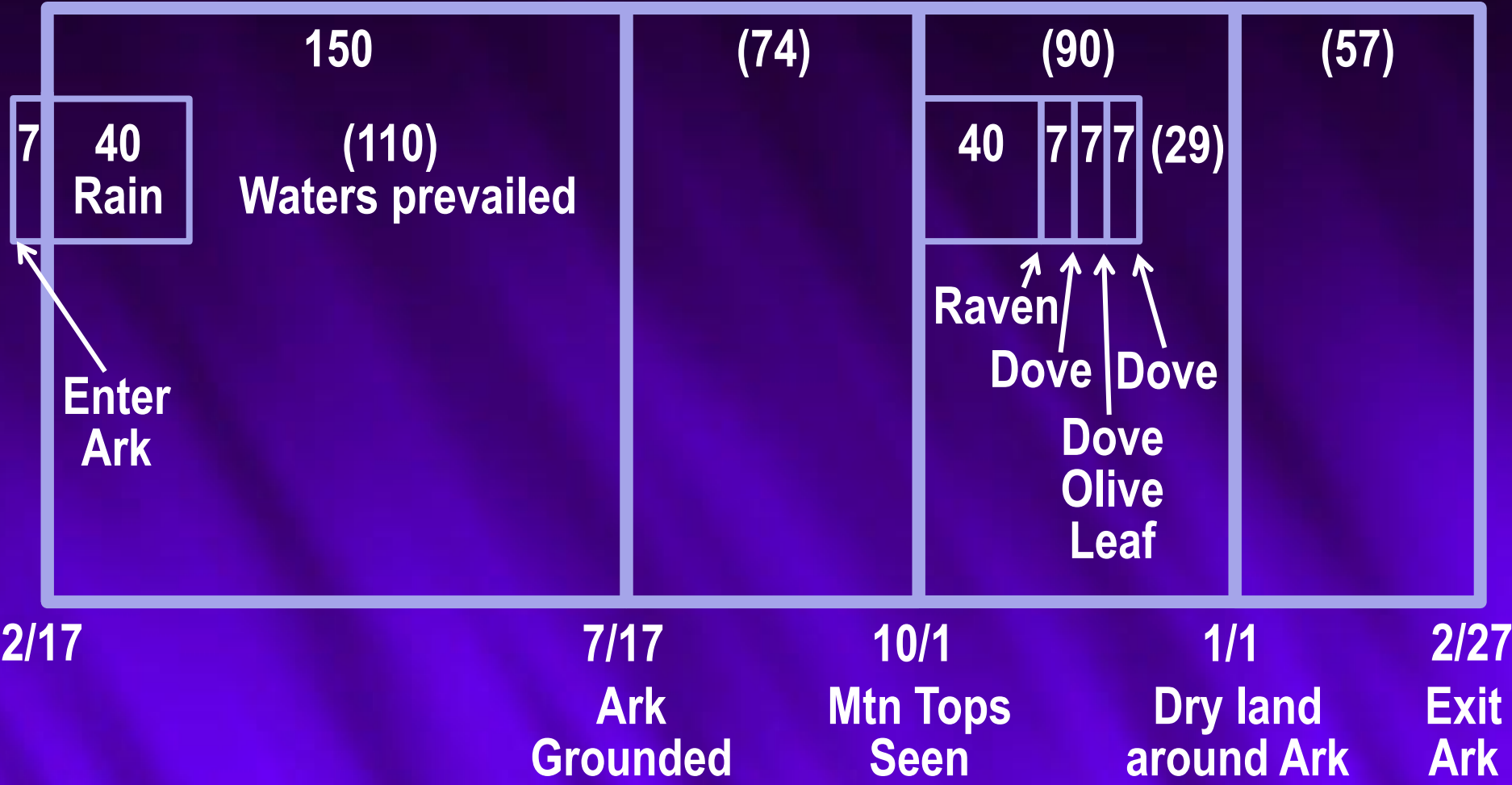
7:13-16 – Summary – Noah and family board the ark

Animals – They came to Noah in the ark – **Two two**

How many clean animals and birds? **7** or **7-pairs**?

Reason for increased quantity? **Sacrifice** and **Food**

Chronology of the Flood



Was the flood universal – or local?

Bible language is emphatically global

Genesis 6:17-20 – All flesh – Everything – To keep alive

Genesis 7:3-4 – Face of all the earth – All living things

Genesis 7:19-23 – All high hills – All the earth – All flesh

Only Noah and those on the ark survive

If flood was only local in Mesopotamia

No need for a Boat – Noah could have migrated to safety

Animals could have migrated back to repopulate after

Highest hills could not have been covered

Rainbow promise is meaningless –

Many large, destructive, local floods since Noah's day

Either ALL True – Or NOT True at all

Global flood traditions

Most pervasive ancient “myth”

Every continent – Isolated tribes – Remote islands

Three common characteristics among ALL flood myths

Universal destruction of humans and all living things by water

A boat provides the means of escape

A seed of mankind is preserved to perpetuate the race

A 4th widely pervasive characteristic

Wickedness and violence of man was the cause

Chinese: Nu-wah – 8 people saved – 2300 BC

Hawaiian: Nu-u, wife and three sons – Boat – Animals saved

Matthew 24:37-39

Noah – Nōe

Flood – *kataklusmós*

Ark – *kibōtós*

37. But as the days of **Noah** were,
so also will the coming of the Son of Man be.
38. For as in the days before the **flood**,
they were eating and drinking,
marrying and giving in marriage,
until the day that **Noah** entered the **ark**,
- 39 and did not know until the **flood** came
and took them all away,
so also will the coming of the Son of Man be.

Luke 3:36

Noah – Nōe

...Shem, the son of **Noah**, the son of Lamech...

Luke 17:26-30

Noah – Nōe

Flood – *kataklusmós*

Ark – *kibōtós*

26. And as it was in the days of **Noah**,
so it will be also in the days of the Son of Man:
27. They ate, they drank,
they married wives, they were given in marriage,
until the day that **Noah** entered the **ark**,
and the **flood** came and destroyed them all.
28. Likewise as it was also in the days of Lot:
They ate, they drank, they bought, they sold
they planted, they built;
29. but on the day that Lot went out of Sodom it rained fire
and brimstone from heaven and destroyed *them* all.
30. Even so will it be in the day when the Son of Man
is revealed.

Hebrews 11:7

Noah – Nōe
Ark – *kibōtós*

By faith **Noah**, being divinely warned of things not yet seen,
moved with godly fear,
prepared an **ark** for the saving of his household,
by which he condemned the world (cosmos)
and became heir of the righteousness
which is according to faith.

1 Peter 3:18-22

Noah – Nōe

Ark – *kibōtós*

18. For Christ also suffered once for sins, the just for the unjust, that He might bring us to God, being put to death in the flesh but made alive by the Spirit,
19. by whom also He went and preached to the spirits in prison,
20. who formerly were disobedient, when once the Divine longsuffering waited in the days of **Noah**, while the **ark** was being prepared, in which a few, that is, eight souls, were saved through water.
21. There is also an antitype which now saves us—baptism (not the removal of the filth of the flesh, but the answer of a good conscience toward God), through the resurrection of Jesus Christ,
22. who has gone into heaven and is at the right hand of God, angels and authorities and powers having been made subject to Him.

2 Peter 2:4-6

Noah – Nōe

Flood – *kataklusmós*

4. For if God did not spare the angels who sinned,
but cast them down to hell
and delivered them into chains of darkness,
to be reserved for judgment;
5. and did not spare the ancient world,
but saved **Noah**, one of eight people,
a preacher of righteousness,
bringing in the **flood** on the world of the ungodly;
6. and turning the cities of Sodom and Gomorrah into ashes,
condemned them to destruction,
making them an example to those who afterward
would live ungodly

2 Peter 3:3-7

3. ...scoffers will come in the last days, walking according to their own lusts,
4. and saying, “Where is the promise of His coming? For since the fathers fell asleep, all things continue as they were from the beginning of creation.”
5. For this they willfully forget: that by the word of God the heavens were of old, and the earth standing out of water and in the water,
6. by which the world that then existed perished, being **flooded** with water.
7. But the heavens and the earth which are now preserved by the same word, are reserved for fire until the day of judgment and perdition of ungodly men.

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Christianity has fought, still fights, and will fight science to the desperate end over evolution, because evolution destroys utterly and finally the very reason Jesus' earthly life was supposedly made necessary. Destroy Adam and Eve and the original sin, and in the rubble you will find the sorry remains of the son of god. Take away the meaning of his death. If Jesus was not the redeemer who died for our sins, and this is what evolution means, then Christianity is nothing!

Matthew 6:24

**No one can serve two masters;
for either he will hate the one and love the other,
or else he will be loyal to the one and despise the other.
You cannot serve God and mammon.**

Joshua 24:15

**...choose for yourselves this day whom you will serve,
whether the gods which your fathers served that were
on the other side of the River,
or the gods of the Amorites, in whose land you dwell.
But as for me and my house, we will serve Yehovah!**

1 Corinthians 1:18-21

18. For the message of the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God.
19. For it is written:
 “I will destroy the wisdom of the wise,
 And bring to nothing the understanding of the prudent.”
20. Where is the wise? Where is the scribe? Where is the disputer of this age? Has not God made foolish the wisdom of this world?
21. For since, in the wisdom of God, the world through wisdom did not know God, it pleased God through the foolishness of the message preached to save those who believe.

1 Corinthians 1:22-26

- 22. For Jews request a sign, and Greeks seek after wisdom;**
- 23. but we preach Christ crucified, to the Jews a stumbling block and to the Greeks foolishness,**
- 24. but to those who are called, both Jews and Greeks, Christ the power of God and the wisdom of God.**
- 25. Because the foolishness of God is wiser than men, and the weakness of God is stronger than men.**
- 26. For you see your calling, brethren, that not many wise according to the flesh, not many mighty, not many noble, are called.**

1 Corinthians 1:27-31

27. But God has chosen the foolish things of the world to put to shame the wise, and God has chosen the weak things of the world to put to shame the things which are mighty;
28. and the base things of the world and the things which are despised God has chosen, and the things which are not, to bring to nothing the things that are,
29. that no flesh should glory in His presence.
30. But of Him you are in Christ Jesus, who became for us wisdom from God—and righteousness and sanctification and redemption—
31. that, as it is written, “He who glories, let him glory in the LORD.”

Jeremiah 9:23-24

23. Thus says Yehovah:

**“Let not the wise man glory in his wisdom,
Let not the mighty man glory in his might,
Nor let the rich man glory in his riches;**

**24. But let him who glories glory in this,
That he understands and knows Me,
That I am Yehovah, exercising lovingkindness,
judgment, and righteousness in the earth.
For in these I delight,” says the Yehovah.**

John 12:42-43

- 42. Nevertheless even among the rulers many believed in Him, but because of the Pharisees they did not confess Him, lest they should be put out of the synagogue;**
- 43. for they loved the praise of men more than the praise of God.**

Philippians 3:7-9

7. But what things were gain to me, these I have counted loss for Christ.
8. Yet indeed I also count all things loss for the excellence of the knowledge of Christ Jesus my Lord, for whom I have suffered the loss of all things, and count them as rubbish, that I may gain Christ
9. and be found in Him...

