

Defending the Faith, Q & A Part 2
The Flood and Babel

Genesis 7:11-24

Physical Evidence for the Flood:

1) Fossils of sea creatures high above sea level. Fossilized fish at 29,000 ft above sea level (Tibet). Marine creatures fossilized at 7,000-8,000' above sea level at top of Grand Canyon.

2) Rapid burial of plants & animals - resulting in billions of fossils all over the planet! 7' thick layer of billions of fossilized nautilus marine creatures that stretches for 180 miles. Jellyfish fossilized by the millions. Fossils "eating their last meal", "giving birth". In Tasmania, discovered a whale and a opossum fossilized together!

3) Rapidly deposited sediment layers covering vast areas: Grand Canyon being the most famous example. 277 miles long, 1 mile deep, 4-8 miles wide, 4,500' of sediment deposits. Layers in Grand Canyon belong to 6 mega-layers that cover North America. Red wall limestone layer appears all the way to Pennsylvania. Layers across North America appear in exact same sequence as Grand Canyon with the exact same fossils. White cliffs of Dover, England traced from N. Ireland all the way to Kazakhstan and Egypt! Coconino Sandstone layer has an average thickness of 315' and covers 200,000 square miles. This is not evidence of a local flood. It is obvious evidence of a global event.

4) Sediment transported long distances. Navajo Sandstone layer in Grand Canyon came from the Appalachian Mountains of Pennsylvania/New York. 1,250 miles!

5) Rapid, or no, erosion between layers of sediment. If millions of years occurred during and between layers, we should see weathering and/or erosion between the layers. None at all! Why?

6) Many layers laid down in rapid succession. Folded layers of rock (without breaking) shows the layers were laid down in rapid succession, and then bent by powerful forces while the layers were still fresh and pliable.

Historical Evidence for the Flood:

500 flood stories from ancient cultures all around the world. Common themes echo the Biblical account, including: angry god, punishing humanity for evil, global flood, one favored family, people and animals saved, landing on a mountain, birds used to test dryness, and many contain the exact same number of survivors (8)!

Evidence the Ark could have been a viable rescue vessel?

Ratio of 300/50/30 cubits is the exact same ratio used today for the building of ocean going oil tankers and cargo ships! It's the safest ratio for navigating winds and waves for a very large vessel. Experts estimate the ark could have handled waves up to 100' high!

Evidence for the Tower of Babel story? Genesis 11?

Stories from different cultures all over the world: Sumaria, Greece, Polynesia, Mexico, and Native Americans. One ancient clay tablet from Mesopotamia reads, "In those days there was one language, then the leader of the gods changed the tongues in their mouths."

The Toltec (ancient Mexico) legend describes the flood in details that agree with the Bible. It goes on to detail a tower and the confusion of languages that forced them to move to southern Mexico.

Why did God leave obvious evidence for the flood all over the planet? John 10:7-10, Jesus is our "door of rescue". Come into Jesus, today!

Again, excellent resources: www.answersingenesis.org, www.discovercreation.org, books by Bodie Hodge, "The Flood of Noah - Legends & Lore of Survival", "The Tower of Babel - The Cultural History of Our Ancestors".