

# **THE WORLD THAT PERISHED IN THE GENESIS FLOOD MESSAGE # 2 GENESIS 6-8 "NO REGARDING THE CREATOR!"**

The fact that the entire World Perished in the Genesis Flood has been scoffed about for thousands of years. Even today there are men and women scientists and educators who systematically deny that there was a Global Flood of Noah as described in the Bible.

What is it that they are trying to remove? God's compelling testimony of Global Death through a catastrophic flood. He has placed on every continent, every land and under every sea the vivid record of a global flood.

Last time we started a series on the World that Perished in the Genesis Flood. This series will investigate the six fundamental truths about the World that Perished in the Genesis Flood. What are those truths?

1. Last time in the 1<sup>st</sup> message of this World that Perished in the Genesis Flood Series we found they had **NO TIME FOR GOD**. And that is what we studied last time.
2. This morning we will find that World that Perished in the Genesis Flood had **NO REGARD FOR THEIR AMAZING CREATOR**. We will see the planet earth flourishing with life. We will see this globe teeming with plant, animal and human population explosions. And all the time Evil was **INTENSIFYING**. Simply stated, a life with no time for God soon loses all respect, regard and acknowledgment of their Creator.
3. Number three in our messages of this World that Perished in the Genesis Flood Series we find they had **NO MAN LIKE NOAH**. This biographical study of the life of Noah will be an amazing time of analyzing what it was that made this hero of the faith tick. Why he saved his family and how he served the Lord.
4. Number four in our messages of this World that Perished in the Genesis Flood Series we find they had **NO TESTIMONY MORE VIVID THAN THE ARK**. That huge box, sitting in the back of Noah's home with rivers of



animals marching two-by-two from every corner of the globe was hard to miss. Yet, in their hardness the whole world missed the message, refusing to even listen!

5. Number five in our messages of this World that Perished in the Genesis Flood Series we find they had NO ESCAPE FROM GOD'S WRATH. The chilling scenes of the rain, the volcanoes, the geysers, the smoke, the storms, the frantic rushing to ever diminishing higher ground. And then the final moments as men and beasts crowded atop the hills and were cut off from breathing by the raging waters.
6. Number six in our messages of this World that Perished in the Genesis Flood Series we find that the world has had NO EVENT MORE CATASTROPHIC than was the Flood of Noah.

Well, that is where we are going. In this second message examining Genesis 6:1-8, we will find this World that Perished in the Genesis Flood Series had NO REGARD FOR THEIR AMAZING CREATOR.

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Would you join me at the Creation week? It was quite a world God made! Open with me to Genesis 1 again.

## GOD CREATED THE LAND THAT FLOURISHED WITH PLANTS v. 9-13

God created the land that flourished with plants v. 9-13. The power of growth in plants is astounding! A sunflower will produce 4,000 seeds from one seed planted. A kernel of corn can do better than that. If every kernel produced by one seed were planted again at the end of the harvest and again at the end of the second year, all of the USA could be planted with the 3rd year crop. That is today. What about then?



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Did you even wonder<sup>1</sup> what kind of plants the dinosaurs tromped around on? The answer may surprise you. These unfamiliar animals, now extinct, wandered around among some very familiar plants: oak, willow, magnolia, sassafras, palms, and other such common flowering plants.

In Lincoln<sup>2</sup> County, Wyoming, almost perfect specimens of fish, turtles, insects, and mammals have been found together with huge palm leaves, from 6 to 8 feet in length and from 3 to 4 feet wide . Even more significantly, trillions of tons of vegetation much of it perfectly preserved, even to leaves and flowers, have been buried in all parts of the world, including Antarctica in the form of coal. Each foot of coal represents many feet of compressed plant remains, and some coal seams are as much as thirty or forty feet in thickness. Obviously, no such process of coal formation is going on today, and the so-called "peat-bog theory" is a poor attempt to cope with this problem.

Scientists<sup>3</sup> have found tropical forests and coal deposits in Antarctica. They have discovered ninety-foot Plum trees which were quick frozen and over ninety feet in height with green leaves in the New<sup>4</sup> Siberian islands where, today, only one-inch high willows grow.

Oil prospectors, drilling through Alaskan muck, have "brought up an 18-inch long chunk of tree trunk from almost 1,000 feet below the surface. It wasn't petrified--just frozen." <sup>45</sup> The nearest forests are hundreds of miles away. Williams describes similar discoveries in Alaska:

*Though the ground is frozen for 1,900 feet down from the surface at Prudhoe Bay, everywhere the oil companies drilled around this area they discovered an ancient tropical forest. It was in frozen state, not in petrified state. It is between 1,100 and 1,700 feet down. There are palm trees, pine trees, and tropical foliage in great profusion. In fact, they found them lapped all over each other, just as though they had fallen in that position.*

## GOD CREATED SEAS THAT SWARMED WITH FISH v. 20-23

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<sup>1</sup> Evolution of Creationist, p. 133

<sup>2</sup> The World that perished, p.80.

<sup>3</sup> Martin, Evolution creationist, p. 124.

<sup>4</sup> See also Charles Hapgood, The Mystery of the Frozen Mammoths; from Bassett Digby, The Mammoth and Mammoth Hunting Grounds in Northeast Siberia (N.Y.: Appleton, 1926), pp. 150-151 .

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Water is preeminently<sup>5</sup> the seat of life. There is not a bay or creek, not a shelf or a sound on the face of the earth that does not teem with life. Even a drop of ditch water can hold 500 million microscopic creatures so small that a teaspoonful of water would be to them what the Atlantic is to us.

God is truly a God of variety. Half a billion *infusoria* can live comfortably in a single drop. They appear in a thousand species, some are herbivorous, some carnivorous, some have shells, and some have none. They possess mouths, teeth, muscles, nerves, and glands. Some species have between one to two hundred sacks or stomachs, connected by an intestinal canal. The thickness of the membranes that line those stomachs have been estimated to be one fifty-millionth part of an inch!

But nowhere<sup>6</sup> on earth today do we have fish on the scale that we see in geologic deposits. The herring fossil bed in the Miocene shales of California, containing evidence that a billion fish died within a four-square mile area. The Karroo Beds in Africa, for example, contain the remains of perhaps 800 billion vertebrates! A million fish can be killed in red tides in the Gulf of Mexico today, but they simply decay away and do not become fossils. Similarly, debris from vegetation mats doesn't become coal unless it is buried under a heavy load of sediment.

## GOD CREATED ANIMALS THAT FILLED THE EARTH v. 24-25

Only a God<sup>7</sup> who is infinite could have worked on such a majestic scale as we see in the skies and on such a microscopic scale as we see in the seas. There is no such thing as bigness or smallness to a God who is infinite. On the sixth day, just prior to the creation of man, God made His final preparation of the earth as man's domain. He created the vertebrates and the "creeping things." Moses gives a threefold classification. Look back there in Genesis 1:24-25 with me:

- ✓ He refers to *bhemah* ("cattle"), four-footed domestic animals.
- ✓ He refers to *remes* (creeping things), creatures that move along the ground. The word means "to move" or "to swarm."

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<sup>5</sup> John Phillips, *Exploring Genesis*, Moody Press, Chicago, 1980, p. 44.

<sup>6</sup> Gish, p. 50.

<sup>7</sup> John Phillips, *Exploring Genesis*, Moody Press, Chicago, 1980, p. 44.

✓ He refers to *chaiya* ("beasts"), the wild animals.

Scientists have classified millions of different species of animals, including more than 800,000 different kinds of insects, 30,000 kinds of fish, 9,000 kinds of birds, 6,000 kinds of reptiles, 3,000 kinds of amphibians, and 5,000 kinds of mammals.

Dinos that range in size from the size of a chicken to 160,000 pound, 80 ton Brachiosaurus, are in 5 groups:

- ✓ HORNED Triceratops and Stegosaurus
- ✓ DUCKBILLED Anatosaurus 18 feet high with 2,000 teeth!
- ✓ MEATEATERS Tyrannosaurus Rex 20 feet high and 50 feet long.
- ✓ SMALL Strut hiomimus [ostrich mimic] ate eggs small reptiles.
- ✓ BIG PLANT EATERS Diplodocus [double beamed] 100 feet long;  
Brontosaurus >Apatosaurus 80 feet long, 40 tons; Brachiosaurus [biggest] 50 feet high, 80 feet long, 80 tons, nostrils atop dome of head! And look at the 130' dino just unearthed in Texas!

The water<sup>8</sup> vapor canopy may have more than doubled atmospheric pressure on earth. In this environment of heavier atmospheric pressure, healing would be more efficient. Many hospitals have pressurized rooms called Hyperbaric<sup>9</sup> Rooms. Into these rooms oxygen is pumped under pressure and healing is miraculously speeded up. Very sick people and the severely burned are treated in this high pressure environment." In the pre-flood, high efficiency atmosphere, reptiles could have grown to immense sizes, giant flying creatures could have flown more easily, and gigantism would have been much more likely."

The giant flying reptiles such as the pterosaurs (pterodactyls and pteranodons) would be unable to fly in our present atmosphere. They needed a heavier atmosphere to get enough air to lift them with their 40 to 50-foot wingspans. Heaven and earth system #1 would have provided the heavier atmospheric pressure necessary for the flight of these huge creatures. Evolutionists say we don't know how these giant reptiles could have flown in our atmosphere. To a creationist, this is not a problem. Heaven and earth system #1, before the water canopy came down at the flood of Noah's day, would have provided the air density needed for these huge creatures to fly. In order to protect their jobs the

<sup>8</sup> Martin, p. 124.

<sup>9</sup> For more information about "Hyperbaric Therapy" see: J. C. Davis, "Hyperbaric Oxygen Therapy," *Journal of Intensive Care Medicine*, 4 (1989), 55-57. Also: *Textbook of Hyperbaric Medicine*, ed. K. K. Jain (Toronto: Hogrefe and Huber Pubs., 1990), p. 492. Also: *Hyperbaric Oxygen Therapy: A Committee Report (UHMS PUB 30 CRHOB)*, ed. J. T. Mader (Bethesda: Undersea and Hyperbaric Medical Society, Inc., 1989), p. 90. Most of my comments about the effects of the vapor canopy came from Dr. Joseph Dillow's excellent discussion of the effects of the vapor canopy in *The Water's Above: Earth's Pre-Flood Water Vapor Canopy* (Moody Press, 1982).

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evolutionists dare not even suggest the global flood of Noah's day as part of the solution to their problems, and yet the Flood supplies the explanation for what we "see".

Gigantism was common in the heavy pre-flood atmosphere. Fossil dragonflies with a 32-inch wingspan have been discovered and would be a frightful bug to hit your windshield! The homeless rhinoceros grew to about "...seventeen feet high and nearly 30 feet long!"<sup>10</sup>

Dinosaurs lived alongside people as Job testifies as well as "caveman" drawings. And God created them all!

For centuries, stories have been told of frozen carcasses of huge, elephant-like animals called mammoths, buried in the tundra of northeastern Siberia. These mammoths, with curved tusks sometimes more than 13 feet long, were apparently so fresh-looking that many believed they were simply large moles living underground. Some called them "ice-rats." People thought that when mammoths surfaced and saw daylight, they died. Dr. Leopold von Schrenck, Chief of the Imperial Academy of Sciences at Petrograd (today's St. Petersburg, Russia), published the following account in 1869:

*"The mammoth . . . is a gigantic beast which lives in the depths of the earth, where it digs for itself dark pathways, and feeds on earth . . . . They account for its corpse being found so fresh and well preserved on the ground that the animal is still a living one."*<sup>4</sup>

Some even thought rapid tunneling by mammoths produced earthquakes.<sup>5</sup>

Since 1800, at least ten scientific expeditions have excavated fleshy remains of the extinct mammoth.<sup>6</sup> Most fleshy remains were buried in the permafrost of northern Siberia, inside the Arctic Circle. Six were found in Alaska. Only a few complete carcasses have been discovered. Usually wild animals had eaten the exposed parts before scientists arrived. In 1977, the first of two complete baby mammoths was found--a 6-12 month old male named "Dima." Nikolai Vereshchagin, the Chairman of the Russian Academy of Science's Committee for the Study of Mammoths, estimated that more than half a million tons of mammoth tusks were buried along a 600-mile stretch of the Arctic coast. Since the typical tusk weighs 100 pounds, this implies that more than five million

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<sup>10</sup> Petersen, Unlocking the Mysteries of creation, pp. 28,29.

mammoths lived in this small region. "The Siberian<sup>11</sup> deposits have been worked now for nearly two centuries. The store appears to be as inexhaustible as a coalfield. Some think that a day may come when the spread of civilization may cause the utter disappearance of the elephant in Africa, and that it will be to these deposits that we may have to turn as the only source of animal ivory"<sup>12</sup>

"One mine in Siberia reportedly yielded twenty thousand tusks. When Vitus Bering, the Danish explorer of the Arctic, visited Bear Island, north of Siberia in the Arctic Ocean, he reported it was composed of two ingredients, mammoth remains and sand. But the predominant ingredient was mammoth bones. Concerning mammoth bones in Russia, Pallas claimed that there was not a river bed in all Russia, from the Don to the Bering Strait, which did not contain mammoth bones. Other writers have observed that, strangely enough, the farther one goes north, the more numerous are mammoth remains"<sup>13</sup>

Animals as large as mammoths would require several hundred pounds of food daily just to survive; and there were many millions of them in this region where very little vegetation grows today.

Now, move on in the 6<sup>th</sup> day. Look with me at Genesis 1:26-27. Suppose<sup>14</sup> we were going to make a human body. We would need:

1. fifty-eight pounds of oxygen and
2. fifty quarts of water,
3. two ounces of salt,
4. three pounds of calcium,
5. twenty-four pounds of carbon,
6. and some chlorine, phosphorous, fat, iron, sulphur, and glycerine.

We bring the items home –so much dust and some water. There it is, our do-it-yourself kit for making a human body. The only problem is with the instructions. The human body is so complex and entity that no scientist can comprehend more than a fraction of its composition and functions.

For just a moment look at the print side of your thumb. A mere piece of skin the size of a postage stamp requires three million cells; a yard of blood vessels, four yards of nerves; one hundred sweat glands, fifteen oil glands, and twenty-

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<sup>11</sup> World that Perished, pp. 78-79.

<sup>12</sup> "Ivory," *Encyclopedia Britannica*, 1956, XII, 834.

<sup>13</sup> Donald W. Patten, "The Ice Epoch," in *A Symposium on Creation*, by Henry M. Morris and others; Grand Rapids: Baker Book House, 1968, p. 128.

<sup>14</sup> John Phillips, *Exploring Genesis*, Moody Press, Chicago, 1980, p. 49.

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five nerve endings! Yet the evolutionist would ask us to believe that the blind forces of chance produced our bodies.

Dr. Mayo of the Mayo Clinic had a humorous way of putting it. He said you would need:

*"enough potassium for one shot of a toy pistol, enough fat for seven bars of soap, enough iron for one large nail, enough sulphur to delouse a dog, enough lime to whitewash a chicken coup, enough magnesia for one dose of medicine and enough phosphorous for a few boxes of matches! The total purchase would not fill more than a couple of grocery bags."*

So man left to himself crashes headlong into sin. Infact, in just 10 generations God records the times of Noah as about the worst times in human history. "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. 6:5). Noah could have looked upon such an evil time as a handicap, instead he saw it as an opportunity to serve the Lord. God called Noah to warn the world. The only difference between Noah and the World that Perished in the Genesis Flood was not the amount they knew about god, it was the response to that knowledge.

A 120 year long sermon left the world with no excuse. But the condition of humanity is much like C.H. Spurgeon said, "He who does not believe God will punish sin will not believe that he will pardon it through atoning blood."

A God of love is popular, a God who judges is not. Spurgeon went on to say, "I charge you who profess the Lord not to be unbelieving with regard to the terrible threatenings of God to the ungodly. Believe the threat even though it should chill your blood. Believe though nature shrinks from the overwhelming doom. For if you do not believe, disbelieving God at one point will drive you to disbelieve God upon the other points of revealed truth."

Just as the bright light of Noah's life stood in start contrast to the sin blackened hearts of the World that Perished in the Genesis Flood, so we are to hold forth the light of Christ.

"For the coming of the Son of Man will be just like the days of Noah. For as in those days which were before the flood they were eating and drinking, they were marrying and giving in marriage, until the day that Noah entered the ark, and they did not understand until the flood came and took them all away, so shall the coming of the Son of Man be" (Matt. 24:37-39).



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It will be a moment of sheer terror when unbelievers face a holy God and realize with absolute certainty that they are eternally lost. That must have been the feeling of the people of Noah's day when they saw the flood waters rise above their heads and knew the door to the ark was unalterably shut.

We live today in a world not at all unlike Noah's. We like him see wickedness, immorality, violence, lewdness, vulgarity, profanity, lying, killing, and blasphemy were rampant, as they are today.

Just as Noah was saved through the Flood, so the 144,000 will be preserved through the Tribulation. And just as God drew Enoch out of the world before the Flood, so we who alive and remain will be called up in a moment and in the twinkling of an eye to meet the Lord in the air!

Someone has said, "If God doesn't destroy our world, He'll have to apologize to Sodom and Gomorrah." The judgment that lies ahead of earth-dwellers will not be by a global flood as Noah saw (Gen. 9:15) but by the fire of God's wrath that Peter saw (2 Pet. 3:10). As Noah learned, so we know the only security is refuge in God's ark, Jesus Christ.

Job 22:15-17 Will you keep to the old way Which wicked men have trod, 16 Who were cut down before their time, Whose foundations were swept away by a flood? 17 They said to God, 'Depart from us! What can the Almighty do to them?' (NKJV).