

**THE
TRUE STORY
OF THE
OLD
TESTAMENT**

Responding to God's Revelation and Redemption

Responses to God's Revelation and Redemption

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I. Cain Kills Abel

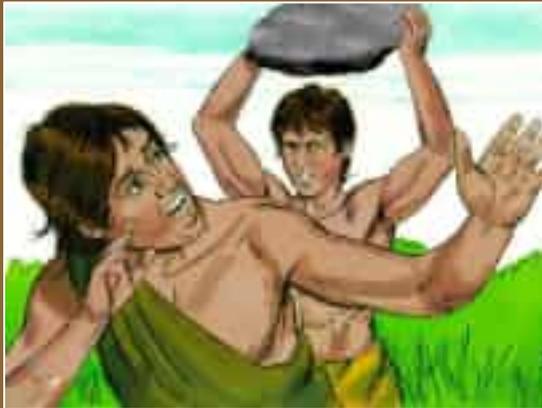
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II. God Preserves Noah and His Family

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III. God Confuses the Languages

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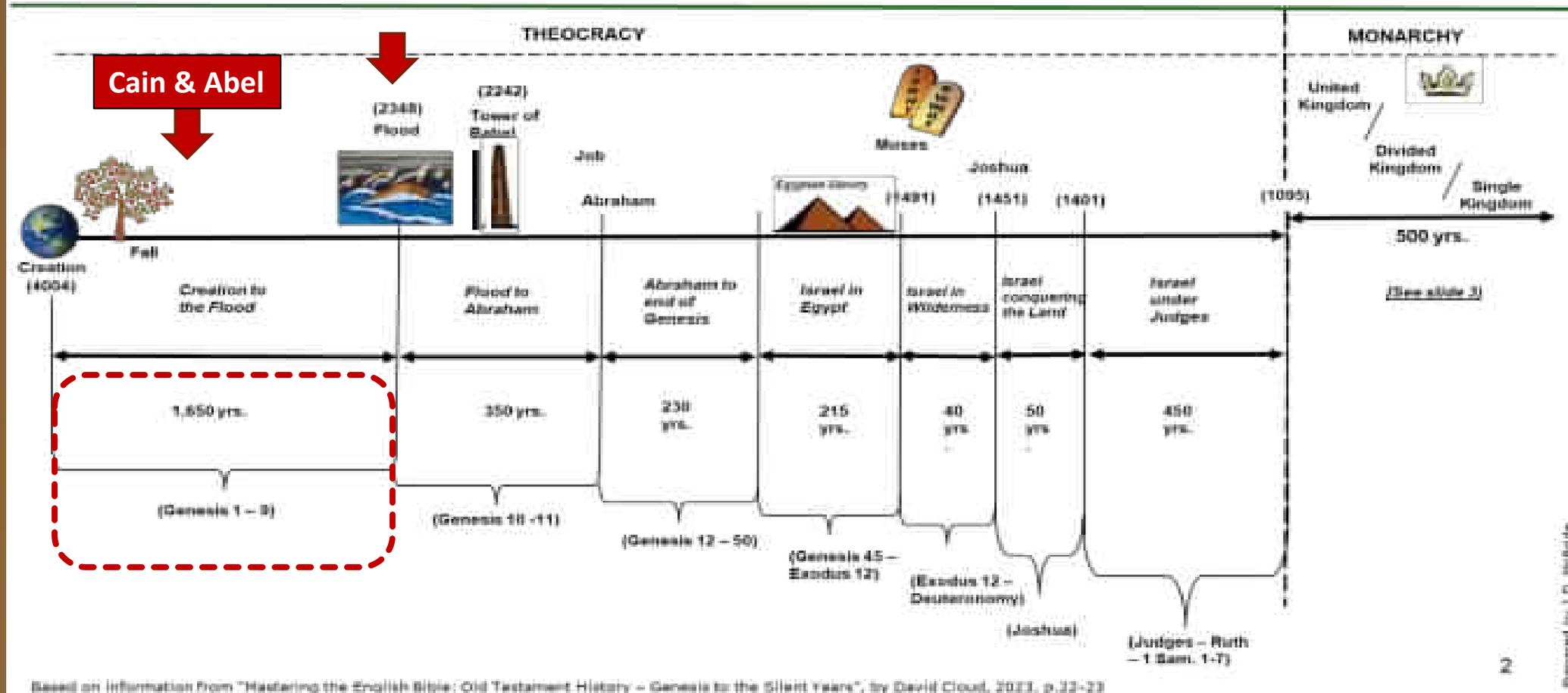


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A Timeline Overview of the Old Testament

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II. God Preserves Noah and His Family

- A. Sinfulness of humanity
- B. Piety of Noah
- C. The Flood
- D. Covenant with Noah



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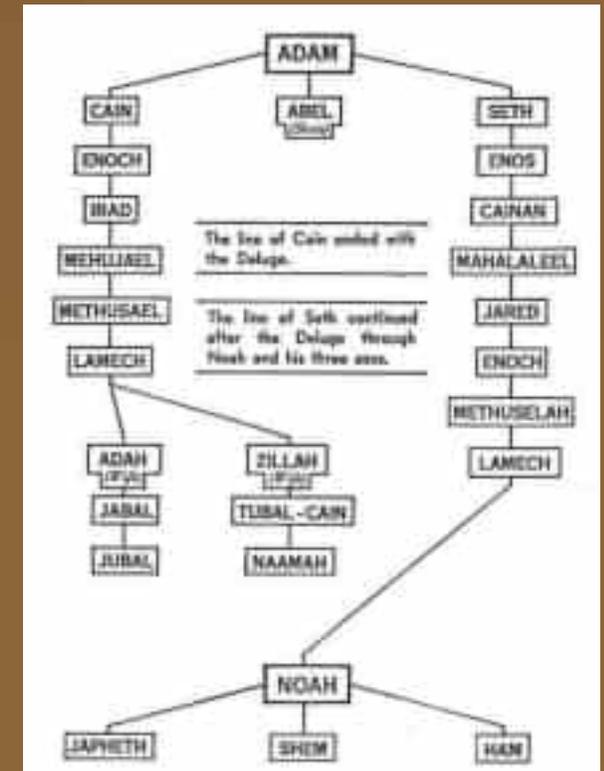
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II. God Preserves Noah and His Family

A. Sinfulness of humanity – Two Views (6:1-4)

“Two views have commonly set forth regarding the marriages of Genesis 6:1,2; namely that they were unions between angels and earthly women,

or that they were unions between the Sethite line and the Cainite line.



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A. Sinfulness of humanity – Two Views (6:1-4) [continued]

“The rationale for the latter view has been noted in the significant scriptural presentation of the two lines as ‘ungodly’ and ‘godly’ in character, respectively.

Also, history show that the common result of marriages between godly and ungodly people is the deterioration of the godly to be like the ungodly; and the stress of the following verses in chapter 6 is on such deterioration at this time.

Besides this, verse 2 speaks of permanent marriages, not merely illicit relationship.”

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A. Sinfulness of humanity – Two Views (6:1-4) [continued]

“In favor of the ‘angel’ view is the fact that in Job 1:6 the term ‘*sons of God*’ clearly refers to angels.

It seems strange, however, that God would see fit to permit angels to contribute to man’s spiritual deterioration, when man was bad enough in himself not to need any outside help to make him worse.

Also, Matthew 22:30 states that marriages do not occur with angels.”

“Bible Study Commentary: Genesis”, Leon J. Wood, 1981, Zondervan Publishing House, pg.43-44

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A. Sinfulness of humanity- Population Growth

“With each man and woman enjoying hundreds of years of parental productivity plus almost ideal environmental conditions, the earth could well have been ‘filled’ with people long before the flood.



For example, an initial population of two people, increasing at the rate of two percent annually (estimated to be the annual growth rate at present) would generate a population of with over 10 trillion people in 1,656 years (the time span from Adam to the Flood)” (Henry Morris Study Bible).

“Mastering the English Bible: OT History – Genesis to the Silent Years”, David Cloud, p.64)

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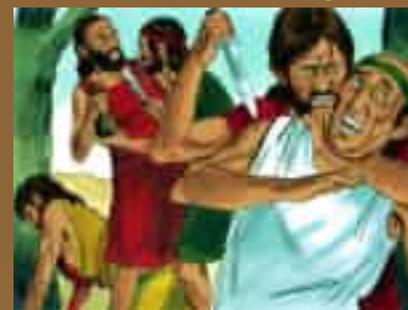
A. Sinfulness of humanity – Wickedness' Impact (6:5-7,11)

Man's wickedness impacts everything.
Notice the Lord's statement in Genesis 6:7.



About man's wickedness:

- “was great” (6:4)
- “every imagination of the thoughts of his heart was only evil continually” (6:5)
- “earth also was corrupt” (6:11, 12)
- “earth was filled with violence” (6:11,13)



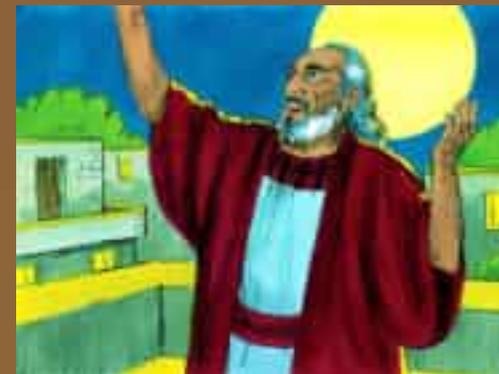
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B. Piety of Noah (6:8-9)

- “found grace in the eyes of the LORD” (6:8)
- “a just man (6:9)
- “perfect in his generations” (6:9)
- “walked with God” (6:9)

“The example of Noah teaches believers of every age that it is possible to please God – even when they are encircled by sin.”



“The True Story of the Old Testament”, Adult Bible Study Leader’s Guide, 2014, Regular Baptist Press, p.30)

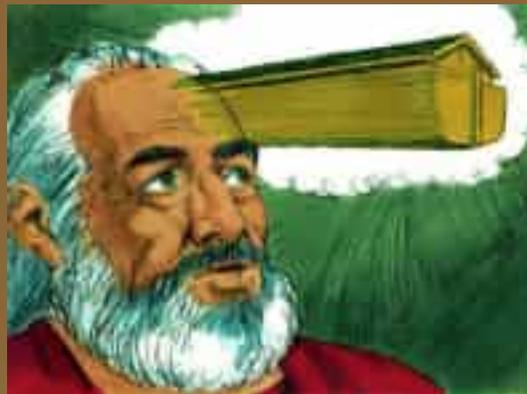
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C. The Flood – Instructions for the Ark (6:13-22)

The Lord informed Noah that He was going to destroy the flesh on the earth (6:13).

The Lord instructed Noah about the building of the Ark – layout, dimensions, and its purpose.



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C. The Flood – Day of Judgment (7:1-23)

Genesis 7:13, 16 “In the selfsame day entered Noah, and Shem, and Ham, and Japheth, the sons of Noah, and Noah’s wife, and the three wives of his sons with them into the ark:...And the LORD shut him in.”

Genesis 7:23

“And every living substance was destroyed which was upon the face of the ground, both man, and cattle, and creeping things, and the fowl of the heaven, and they were destroyed from the earth, and Noah only remained alive, and they that were with him in the ark.”



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C. The Flood – New Testament References



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1 Peter 3:20

Which sometime were disobedient, when once the longsuffering of God waited in the days of Noah, while the ark was a preparing, wherein few, that is, eight souls were saved by water.

**(See also 2 Peter 2:4-9;
Hebrews 11:7)**

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C. The Flood – Duration (7:24)



“Noah was in the Ark for 375 days.

He entered the Ark on the 10th day of the second month in the 600th year of his life, and the rains started seven days later on the 17th day of the second month in the 600th year (Gen. 7:6-11), and he left the Ark in the 601st year, the second month, the 27th day (Gen. 8:13,14).

“Thus Noah was in the Ark for one year and 10 days.”



“Mastering the English Bible: OT History – Genesis to the Silent Years”, David Cloud, p.72

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II. God Preserves Noah and His Family

D. Covenant with Noah (9:8-17)

“God also showed His mercy in the promise represented by the rainbow (8:21, 22; 9:13) and in the covenant He made with Noah (6:18; 9:8-17). Although humanity is total depraved, God promised that He would never again completely cover the dry land with water.



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The rainbow is the sign of the covenant that God made with Noah, with all his descendants, and with every living thing, upon the earth. Therefore, we, as Noah’s descendants are beneficiaries of the Noahic Covenant.”

“The True Story of the Old Testament”, Adult Bible Study Leader’s Guide, 2014, Regular Baptist Press, p.31)

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Covenants in the Old Testament

1. Noahic (Gen. 9:8–17)

- Unconditional.
- God promised never again to destroy the earth by water.

God's Judgment and Mercy

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Cain and Abel

The Flood

Judgment

God kept the ground from yielding fruit for Cain.

God destroyed the world.

Mercy

- God did not take Cain's life.
- God protected Cain from revenge seekers.

- God spared Noah and his family.
- God made a promise not to flood the earth again.

CONCLUSION

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The Long-term Impact of the Flood

- Earth's landscape reshaped – mountains and deep oceans formed
- “Evidence such as the topography of continental shelves, the sea mounts, and the great submarine canyons indicate a former lower sea level. It is also important to consider that most of the earth's surface now is covered by water (70 percent) and if the entire earth's surface were leveled out, the waters of the ocean would cover the earth to a depth of 1.7 miles.

Therefore, if the mountains rose and the valleys sank, the water of the Flood would have ended up mainly in the oceans.” (Tom Carpenter, “The Flood Waters”, Creationdefense.org 2001)

“Mastering the English Bible: OT History – Genesis to the Silent Years”, David Cloud, p.73-74

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The Long-term Impact of the Flood

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- Eating meat allowed (9:3-4)
- Capital punishment implemented (9:5-6)
- Rainbow given as a sign of God's promise to mankind (8:20-22; 9:8-17)
- Life expectancy declined (compare Gen. 5 with Gen.11:10-32)



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[Ark Encounter](https://arkencounter.com/) <https://arkencounter.com/>

Ark Encounter is a Christian young Earth creationist theme park that opened in Williamstown, Kentucky, United States in 2016.

The centerpiece of the park is a large representation of Noah's Ark, based on the Genesis flood narrative contained in the Bible. It is 510 feet long, 85 feet wide, and 51 feet high. *Wikipedia*



<https://arkencounter.com/>

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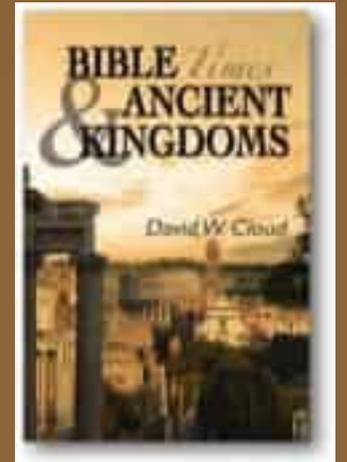
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For a multi-media presentation, see “*The Way of Life Pictorial Bible 01 – Genesis 6-9 The Flood*”, at www.wayoflife.org site.

For maps, see “*Mastering the English Bible – Map & Charts 01 Empires of the Old Testament*”

For other information, see “*Bible Times & Ancient Kingdoms*”, by Dr. David Cloud, www.wayoflife.org site.



“Mastering the English Bible: OT History – Genesis to the Silent Years”, David Cloud, p.72, 78

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