

NON-BIBLICAL ARGUMENTS FOR A WORLDWIDE FLOOD

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1. Worldwide distribution of flood traditions
2. Origin of civilization near Ararat-Babylon region in post-flood time
3. Convergence of population growth statistics on date of flood
4. Dating of oldest living things at post-flood time
5. Worldwide occurrence of water-laid sediments and sedimentary rocks
6. Recent uplift of major mountain ranges
7. Marine fossils on crests of mountains
8. Evidence of former worldwide warm climate
9. Necessity of catastrophic burial and rapid lithification of fossil deposits
10. Recent origin of many datable geological processes
11. Worldwide distribution of all types of fossils
12. Uniform physical appearance of rocks from different "ages"
13. Frequent mixing of fossils from different "ages"
14. Near-random deposition of formational sequences
15. Equivalence of total organic material in present world and fossil world
16. Wide distribution of recent volcanic rocks
17. Evidence of recent water bodies in present desert areas
18. Worldwide occurrence of raised shore lines and river terraces
19. Evidence of recent drastic rise in sea level
20. Universal occurrence of rivers in valleys too large for the present stream
21. Sudden extinction of dinosaurs and other prehistoric animals
22. Rapid onset of glacial period
23. Existence of polystrate fossils
24. Preservation of tracks and other ephemeral markings throughout geologic column
25. Worldwide occurrence of sedimentary fossil "graveyards" in rocks of all "ages"
26. Absence of any physical evidence of chronologic boundary between rocks of successive "ages"
27. Occurrence of all rock types (shale, limestone, granite, etc.) in all "ages"
28. Parallel of supposed evolutionary sequence through different "ages" with modern ecological zonation in the one present age
29. Lack of correlation of most radiometric "ages" with assumed paleontologic "ages"
30. Absence of meteorites in geologic column
31. Absence of hail imprints in geologic column, despite abundance of fossil ripple-marks and rain-drop imprints
32. Evidence of man's existence during earliest of geologic "ages" (e.g., human footprints in Cambrian, Carboniferous, and Cretaceous formations)

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Genesis Text	Argument	Genesis Text	Argument
1. 1:7	Water above the atmosphere must have been global in extent.	26. 7:20	Waters fifteen cubits above highest mountains.
2. 2:5	No rain upon the earth must have been worldwide condition.	27. 7:21	Every man died on the earth.
3. 2:6	Earth mist watered the whole face of the ground.	28. 7:22	All flesh with the breath of life in the dry land died.
4. 2:10-14	Edenic geography no longer in existence.	29. 7:23	Every living substance destroyed off the face of the ground.
5. 4:22	High civilization at dawn of history not continuous with present world.	30. 7:24	Waters at maximum height for five months.
6. 5:5, etc.	Longevity of antediluvian patriarchs indicates distinctive biosphere.	31. 8:2	Fountains of deep open for five months.
7. 6:1	Man had multiplied on the face of the earth.	32. 8:2	Windows of heaven open for five months.
9. 6:5	Universal evil inexplicable in post-diluvian society.	33. 8:4	Ark floated over 17,000 ft. mountains for five months.
10. 6:6, 7	Repentance of God extended to the whole animal creation.	34. 8:5	Water receded 2½ months before mountain tops seen.
11. 6:11	Earth was filled with violence and corruption before God.	35. 8:9	Dove found no suitable ground even after four months of recession.
12. 6:12	All flesh was corrupted (possibly including animals).	36. 8:11	Plants began budding after nine months of the flood.
13. 6:13	God decided to destroy both man and the earth.	37. 8:14	Occupants were in the ark over a year.
14. 6:15	Ark too large for regional fauna.	38. 8:19	All kinds of present non-marine animals came from the ark.
15. 6:17	Everything with the breath of life to die.	39. 8:21	God smote all things living only once.
16. 6:19	Purpose of ark was to keep two of every sort alive.	40. 8:22	Present uniformity of nature dates from the end of the flood.
17. 6:20	Animals of all kinds migrated to the ark.	41. 9:1	Earth was to be filled with descendants of Noah.
18. 6:21	All kinds of edible food taken on the ark.	42. 9:2	Changed relation between man and animals followed the flood.
19. 7:4	Every living substance on the ground to be destroyed.	43. 9:3	Man permitted animal food after flood.
20. 7:10	“The flood” (Hebrew <i>mabbul</i>) applies solely to Noah’s flood.	44. 9:6	Institution of human government dates from flood.
21. 7:11	All the fountains of the great deep cleaved open in one day.	45. 9:10	God’s covenant made with every living creature.
22. 7:11	The “sluiceways from the floodgates” of heaven were opened.	46. 9:11	The flood promised by God never to come again on the earth.
23. 7:12	Rain poured continuously for forty days and forty nights.	47. 9:13	Rainbow placed in sky after the flood.
24. 7:18	The waters prevailed and increased greatly.	48. 9:19	Whole earth overspread of the sons of Noah.
25. 7:19	High hills under the whole heaven were covered.	49. 11:1	Whole earth of one language after the flood.
		50. 11:9	All men lived in one place after the flood.

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