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## ΠΡΕΦΑΧΕ

### ΠΠ

This is one of an ongoing series of studies on the Bible held at Freedom Baptist Fellowship. There has been no effort to be overly scholarly. It is the desire of the teacher to do as one of his teachers often reminded him. There is a need to keep the cookies on the bottom shelf where the little ones can reach them, not on the top shelf where only a giraffe can go. You will find this here in this study of the beginning of God's creation that any that wish to hear and understand can. There is a companion set of tapes that go with this guide that fills out some of the areas discussed. It is my firm conviction that serious study is rewarded with strong growth in the faith and spiritual life of every believer. To that end I hope that you will be blessed by the following outlines and comments.

## ININTRODUCTION

We will be taking up the subject of God's creative work through the time of Noah and the building of Babylon.

Before we begin the actual study of the verses before us, I will take up the proof that only God could have created all that we know and can see. It will put to rest any idea that the theory of evolution is right in any of its forms.

There are numerous facts concerning special creation. We will start where God started "in the beginning" that is in the beginning of the time of this world that we live on. Not the beginning of God, the one who has no datable past.

This book we call "Genesis" was written by Moses and in these 11 chapters there are a number of first besides creation which is why this book is called beginnings. We will see such first as

1. The first seven days 1:1-2:4
2. The first man 1:26-31; 2:7-25
3. The first human sin and sentence 3:1-24
4. The first altar 4:1-26
5. The first obituary column 5:1-32
6. The first world wide judgment 6:1-9:29
7. The first family tree 10:1-32
8. The first ecumenical council 11:1-9

The pages that follow will try and go through these firsts and what they mean to each of us today both the good and the bad of each. It is my desire to help any who hear this on tape or read these words to gain a firm grip on what they should know from God's word and why they should know this. You will be able to stand against an ever-increasing bombardment from the evolutionist crowd and there myths.

## IN THE BEGINNING

### I. The Creation of All Things

#### A. The Size of Creation

##### 1. How big is God's Creation

His creation is so big that our foot, inch and yard measurements are not suitable to use. So the "light year" method is used, light travels at 186,000 miles per second. So you multiply the seconds in a year then that by 186,000 miles and that's how far light will travel in one year; roughly 6 trillion miles. Our galaxy the Milky Way is 100,000 light years across and there are galaxies beyond that that contain billions of stars.

III. "1 sheet of paper equals the distance from the earth to the sun some 93 million miles one way. The nearest star would require a stack of paper 71 feet high; to cover our galaxy it would require a stack of paper 310 miles high."

III. "If the sun were hollow, you could place one million three hundred thousand earth's inside it. The star named Antares could hold 64 million of our suns! There is a star in the constellation Hercules that would hold 100 million stars the size of Antares. The largest known star Epsilon will hold 27 billion of our stars.

2. How small is God's creation? It takes 25 trillion protons laid side by side to span one linear inch. Each proton is held together by an invisible force of 10-15

pounds. To totally destroy one ounce of water could lift 200 million tons one mile into space.

## B. The Complexity of Creation

1. The “simple Cell” such as the tiny creature the “ameba” which is a single celled animal how simple we think it is.
2. Substance of a Cell: Protein molecules: All living cells are composed of specialized protein molecules. Dr. James Gray professor of Biology at Cambridge University said this. “A cell is far more complex than any inanimate system known to man. No laboratory can compete with the activity of the smallest organism.

DNA: Discovered in 1953 by James Watson and Francis Crick. The length of one strand of DNA in one cell is 6 feet. The total DNA content in your body would span the solar system.

Left Handed Protein Molecules: Each protein contains 100 to 50,000 amino acid “building blocks”. Amino acids can form in only 2 ways left-handed (l-levo) or right handed (d-dextro) groupings. Proteins contain only left handed chains. In fact if the protein like chains which contain both l-levo and d-dextro amino acids are formed in a lab they take themselves apart and reform into l-levo forms only!

Double Helix: The D H is two chains of DNA, which are inter woven around each other. This DNA is up to 1000 times as long as the diameter of the cell it occupies.

3. Mysterious Objects In the Universe
  - a. Quasars: Discovered in 1963 by Dr. Maarten Schmidt. They emit powerful radio sources of energy. Some cover more than a hundred galaxies of stars. There are 350 known Quasar sources.
  - b. Super Novas: These stars suddenly increase their luminosity by more than 10 million times normal light!
  - c. Neutron Stars: As far back as 1930 Robert Oppenhiemer predicted that the collapse of a

massive star could lead to a stable object smaller than a white dwarf or 10 to the 15<sup>th</sup> power times stiffer than steel. A teaspoon of this material would weigh a billion tons. If the earth were thus collapsed it would be 328 feet in diameter.

- d. Black Holes: A black hole is formed after the runaway collapse of a super nova. No light can escape from it giving the appearance of a hole in space.

### C. The Date of Creation

How old are our earth and this universe? Some would have you believe the universe is billions of years old. Their method of arriving at this figure can be seen to be faulty. Let's examine a few here to see how flawed they are.

- I. The method used to determine the creation date.
  - a. By index fossils. It is used to date a geologic column of rock. This method assumes that all fossils are in perfect order from the youngest to oldest going down the column and from the simplest to the more complex going up. The problem is that there are no perfect instances of this anywhere in the world. There are for instance simple creatures found up high in Germany with the more complex found at the bottom.
  - b. By Radiometric dating: This method requires one to make three assumptions. 1<sup>st</sup> The rock measured must be a closed system, that is nothing inside removed, nothing outside added. 2<sup>nd</sup> It could not have had any of its decay components in the beginning. 3<sup>rd</sup> the process of the decay rate must have been constant.

There are four methods used for this. 3 are for inorganic material and the 4<sup>th</sup> for use on fossils.

- a. Uranium- lead: There are problems with this method.
  1. Uranium is easily leachable by ground water
  2. The lead in a rock may capture free neutrons making the rock appear older than it really is.

3. The decay products may well have already existed in the original rock. Modern lava contains lead; uranium dating gives a reading of a billion years old when in reality they are of current creation.
  - b. Potassium –argon Method: This method also has problems.
    1. Argon is a gas and can easily migrate in and out of Potassium
    2. Decay rates are subject to acceleration due to past increases in cosmic radiation.
    3. Argon is a very common component of both the atmosphere and the earth's crust
    4. A study in Hawaii using this method showed ocean rock at 22 million years old when it was known they were placed there less than 200 years ago.
  - c. Rubidium –Strontium uses the same ideas and had the same problems.
  - d. Radio carbon dating: This one is used for fossils and it too is faulty. Example: mollusks that are alive are shown to be 2300 years old.
- II. Indications of a recent Creation date.
- a. Population Statistics
 

The evolutionist claims man has been here from 1 to 2 million years. The creationist believes man has been here for 6,000 years. So what are the facts? Expert on Population Thomas Malthus found that population tends to double at equal increments of time. If the doubling time is T then starting with 2 people at T years there would be 4 people and after T years there would be 8 and after 3 times T years 16 people and so on. Using this formula here are some figures on population at various times.

    1. The time of Christ the population was 300 million
    2. In 1650 there was 600 million
    3. In 1850 there was 1.2 billion
    4. In 1950 there was 2.4 billion
    5. In 1990 there was 4.8 billion

6. Today there are over 6 billion  
 If you go backwards these doubling times will take you back about 3500 years or roughly to the time of Noah's flood. Now if man has been here 1 million years at these conservative growth rates the population of the world would be 10 with 27000 zeros behind it. However no more than 10 with 100 zeros can fit in the known universe!

b. The amount of Uranium salts in the Oceans.

If the ocean was empty of salt at time zero then the highest upper limit is 1 million years. This is far short of the 5 billion years evolutionist say. The actual time of course is far less.

c. The amount of water in the Oceans

The total water on the earth is 315 million cubic miles. Evolution says it came from volcanoes. There are 600 active and 1000 dormant volcanoes that are known. 70 of these could have produced all the water on earth in 5 billion years. However with as many as are known not to mention those that are yet to be found the process would be done in several thousand years.

d. The amount of Helium-4 in the atmosphere:

Today's content could have accumulated in less than 12 thousand years.

e. The absence of Meteorite dust:

Hans Peterssen calculated that 14.3 million tons of dust falls to earth every year. Isaac Asimov admitted at this rate over 5 billion years the dust would be 182 feet thick. It is negligible and is only about .5 inches on the moon.

f. Volcanic Activity:

The volcanic lava on the earth had to accumulate in less than 10,000 years

g. Earth's magnetic field decay:

The earth's magnetic field has been measured for 135 years. Their findings show the following results  
 1400 years ago it was double the current level  
 2800 years ago twice again as strong



7000 years ago it would have been 32 times as strong  
10000 years ago that of a magnetic star. Life cannot survive at this level

h. The implications of the two laws of  
Thermodynamics

The first law says energy and matter cannot be destroyed or created. Therefore the universe could not have created itself. The second law states that the universe is slowly running down and will someday suffer "heat death" The universe cannot be infinitely old or it would already be dead.

### III. THE METHOD OF CREATION: 3 MAIN THEORIES

#### A. Atheistic materialism

##### 1. Two Concepts of Origin

- a. The "Big Bang Concept" everything started as a ball of matter. It exploded and there was everything.
- b. The "Steady State". The galaxies recede from each other while their density remains the same.

2. The probabilities of life coming about by accident  
The materialist believes that, given enough time, all things in the universe today can be explained.

Question: How long would it take one million monkeys typing away day and night on one million typewriters for just one monkey to accidentally type out the first ten words on the Bible. Answer 10 with 1000 zeros behind it years. This is nothing compared to one living cell being formed by some random process.

#### B. Theistic Evolution

This is the 2<sup>nd</sup> proposed method of creation.

1. Definition: it is a Mosaic-Darwinism theory, for it earnestly attempts to unify two seemingly irreconcilable philosophies. It is the molecule to man, atom to Adam theory
2. Difficulties:
  - a. It cannot harmonize the three immutable laws of this known universe.

1. First law of thermodynamics- energy can change forms, but it cannot be created or destroyed therefore the sum remains the same.
2. The second law of thermodynamics – when energy is being transformed from one state to another, such as ice to water and then to steam, some of it is turned into heat energy which cannot be converted back into useful forms.
3. The third law is that of biogenesis- this says that life produces similar life. Therefore you only get puppies from dogs.

#### C. Special Creation

This position holds that the first few chapters of Genesis are to be taken literally and in a natural manner like all other historical accounts in the Bible.

1. The time element of special creation: are the days of Genesis 1-2 literal days? Yes they are
  - a. Henry Morris “The use of a numerical adjective with the word “day” limits it to a normal day.
  - b. As indicated by the genealogies found in Gen. 5 and 11. If man were a million years old, then there would have to be a 50 thousand-year gap between each name. If Life itself were 1 billion years old then each day in Genesis would have to stand for approximately 125 million years old!
2. The superficial age appearance of special creation. God created everything with the appearance of age. Adam on the first day of life appeared to be 30 or so years of age.

#### IV. THE CRONOLOGY OF CREATION

##### A. The creation of the Heavens:

The first heaven consists of the air around us the home of the birds (Dan 4:12)

The second heaven consists of the home of the sun, moon and stars (Psalm 19:1)

The third heaven consists of the home of God and his Angels (Rev. 21:1-2)

##### B. The proposed Gap ( Gen. 1:1-2)

1. Statement of the Gap Theory

- a. The original world was created beautiful and perfect
- b. God committed this earth to Satan to administer
- c. Satan rebelled and he and his whole kingdom came under God's judgment, and the earth became (waste and void)
- d. The subsequent work of the six days was a work of recreation

## 2. History and appeal of the Theory

Some traces of it appear in writings from the 4<sup>th</sup> century ad. . It became very popular with its inclusion in the Scofield reference Bible. This is after Darwin's book in 1880. This provided the opportunity to put God and evolution to together.

3. Arguments Against: 1<sup>st</sup> You must redefine the "very good" of Gen. 1:31. Adam would be walking on a graveyard of billions of dead creatures and that cannot be very good. 2<sup>nd</sup> Could death prevail in a sinless world, this would compromise man's dominion and subsequent fall. 3<sup>rd</sup> The animals of the first world would have no genetic connection to modern animals, but they do. 4<sup>th</sup> There is no clear word from God on this supposed perfect creation, we would then have to turn to evolution to fill in this important information. 5<sup>th</sup> "waste and void" do not necessarily picture judgment, but rather an empty space. In some passages the word refers to the wilderness or desert (Duet. 32:10 Psalm 107:40) It is paralleled in Isaiah to "nothing and naught" The earth was simply not ready to be inhabited. Physical darkness is not necessarily a sign of evil or the sign of judgment. The words created and made are interchangeable (1:26 with 1:27)

## C. THE WORK OF THE SIX DAYS

1. The first day- the creation of light (1:2-5) The Holy Spirit moved upon the earth. He was creating energy waves of heat and sound. The earth began to spin on its axis. Three types of forces went into effect a. gravity b. Electro-magnetic c. nuclear

2. The second day- The separating of the waters (1:6-8) This will be covered more in Chapters 5-8. This water was in the form of a vast blanket of water vapor translucent to light, producing a greenhouse effect. Maintaining mild temperatures from pole to pole. It also filtered out harmful radiation, reducing cell damage and aging.
  3. Third day – Creation of plant life (1:9-13) Evolution says life began in the sea, but god says on dry land.
  4. The fourth day – Creation of sun, moon, and stars (1:14-19) John Whitcomb has a good answer as to the why. It gave the emphasis to the supreme importance of the Earth among the entire universe. This ball of dirt and water is of special importance to God. Too many have gone to sun worship and have for the past several thousand years and we still do today. As we try to find ourselves out there when we ought to look right here. Genesis 1:14 Tells us why God created these, they were for lights, seasons and signs. As lights they replaced the temporary lights, as a calendar they enable men to plan their work and as signs they teach and remind men of vast spiritual truths.
  5. The fifth day –The creation of fish and fowl (1:20-23) What a size range from the hummingbird of 1 oz. To the blue whale of 150 tons and 110 feet long.
  6. The sixth day – Creation of land creatures and man (1:24-31) All land animals including dinosaurs were created the same day. There is ample proof that they lived and walked together. One such example is in rosebud Texas where dinosaurs and mans footprints are in the same creek bed and side beside like dino and Fred Flintstone style.
- D. THE FIRST MAN (1:26-31; 2:7-25)
1. Adam was the supreme highlight of all God's creation. Albert Einstein calculated that the most brilliant person uses only one tenth of 1% of their brain capacity. So Adam was 100 times smarter than today's most intelligent are. He was the

original Dr. Doolittle and the real six million-dollar man!

2. He was absolutely unique; men try to prove there were sub humans who evolved into man. One must choose Moses or Darwin. Here is a few of these sub humans.
  - a. Neanderthal man – found in the Neander Valley, near Dusseldorf Germany in 1856 by Jonathon Fuhlrott. What he found was a skull and some bones. He assumed they were semi erect brutes. Later examination proved they were humans with "rickets".
  - b. Cro-Magnon man – found in Cromagnon France in 1868 by Louis Lortet. Fragments of four skeletons. Nothing more substantive was ever found, there were not enough bone fragments to have anywhere near one skeleton; yet they claimed they had one!
  - c. Java Man – Found in Trinil, Java in 1891, by Eugene Dubois a Dutch physician. The “find” consisted of a single skullcap. A year later a thighbone was found 50 feet away along with 2 molars. It was 31 years before he admitted he found two human skulls in the same place and same level. He confessed at his death that his Java man was Gibbon ape.
  - d. Heidelberg man – found near Heidelberg Germany in 1907 by Otto Schottenstack. The entire find consisted of a lower jawbone.
  - e. Piltdown man – (Dawn Man) Found in Piltdown England in 1912 by Charles Dawson. The find consisted of a skull part and a few teeth. In 1950 the bones were tested by fluoride and found to have been stained by iron salts. The skull was from a recently deceased ape.
  - f. Peking man – Found near Peking China, in 1921, by Davidson Block. This find was 30 skulls and 147 teeth. It disappeared in 1941. It has been concluded that these were nothing more than

dinner for men working in an ancient lime quarry.

- g. Nebraska Man – Found in western Nebraska in 1922 by Harold Cook. The find was 1 tooth it was declared the missing link. In 1927 the tooth was discovered to be that of a pig! So the pig made a monkey out of man.
3. He was made in God's image. How is man made in the image of God?
    - a. Because of his triune make up- Spirit, soul and body. (1 Thess 5:23; Heb. 4:12)
    - b. Because he would know right from wrong – only man is self conscious and God conscious.
    - c. Because God had Jesus future work in mind John 1:14; 1 Tim. 3:16
    - d. Because God had our future life in mind when we shall be like him. Phil 3:21; Ro. 8:29; 1 John 3:2
  4. He was declared the King of Creation, to subdue the Earth 1:28-31
  5. He was commanded to abstain from the tree of knowledge
  6. He was encouraged to participate in the tree of life and all others (Gen. 1:29)
  7. He was given a wife (2:22-24) the first wedding was performed in Eden and that directed by God.
    - a. "And the rib"—from man made he a woman (2:22) God did not take Eve from his feet, that she might be his slave, nor did he take her from Adam's head, that she might be his master, but rather from under his heart, that she might love and be loved by Adam! ( 1 Cor. 11:8-9) The rib had bone and flesh from which God could extract the right chromosomes. Men have x and y and women have two Y-chromosomes.
    - b. "This is now bone of my bone" (2:23) this is Adam's first words. They are not grunts, groans, or growls of an ape. Rather the words of a husband for his wife (Eph. 5:28-31)

- c. “They shall become one flesh “(2:24) here is the first of 3 great human institutions given by God himself to man; this one is marriage! The other two are human government (Gen. 9) and the Church (Acts 2). If you will think carefully and look around you will find that these are under intense attack today.

## V. THE CORRUPTION OF NATURE (CHAPTERS 3-5)

### 1. The Subtlety of Satan ( 3:1-6)

- a. Eve is tempted to disobey God by the devil that speaks to her through the serpent’s body. Prior to the fall the serpent was a most intelligent creature of all, but perhaps the most beautiful also, it is clear he did not crawl nor was he in the tree. The serpent stood and spoke.
- b. “Yea hath God said?” (3:1) Notice the approval of Satan. He does not outright lie or accuse God of lying he plants a subtle suggestion denying the truth and authority of the word of God (3:4)
- c. “And the woman said” (3:2) The first foolish conversation. Eve makes an effort to go one on one with the devil! Not a one of us dare to ever try this. (1Peter 5:8-9 and James 4:7) These verses tell us to resist the devil never to debate him.
- d. “God hath said” (3:3) Satan has Eve first doubting and then adding to his word also! God never said do not touch. The devil rejoices when he deceives in such a manner (Rev. 22: 18-19 and Pro. 30:5-6)
- e. The tree was good for food- Centuries later John wrote a warning to us of 3 horrible things. 1<sup>st</sup> lust of the flesh 2<sup>nd</sup> lust of the eyes 3<sup>rd</sup> pride of life. We see Eve indulging in all three
- f. “She did eat – and he did eat” (3:6) The difference in the two of them is this. Eve ate out of emotion, but Adam ate deliberately so sin came through Adam. ( Rom 5: 12, 2 Cor. 11:3, 1 Tim. 2:14)

### 2. The results of Sin (3:7-8)

- a. “And they knew” (3:7) At that moment he took that bite a drastic change occurred in them. The

covering of innocence went away and they saw with fallen human eyes and worse yet their spirits died.

- b. “They sewed fig leaves” (3:7) This is man’s first attempt at manmade religion. Religion is any attempt to provide a way into God’s presence apart from Jesus Christ and Him alone. They used fig leaves; today men use education, church membership, baptism, confirmation, and good works. (Isa. 64:6)
  - c. “Adam and his wife hid themselves” (3:8) Here is the first result of sin, man withdraws from God presence or so he thinks ( Ps. 69:5; Matt. 10:26; Rev. 6:15-17)
3. The Judgment of Sin (3:9-19)
- a. Upon the man (3:17) “cursed is the ground for thy sake” Judgment is passed man will labor and struggle to survive all of his life and the only truly good thing to look forward to is Jesus Christ ( Job 5:7, 14:1) Notice the ground is cursed not Adam, Why you say? Because God intended to redeem his finest creation.
  - b. Upon the Woman (3:16) “In sorrow thou shalt bring forth” It should be noted that the suffering of childbirth is not due so much as a direct judgment from God, but rather as an indirect result of sin. Sin always causes suffering, sickness, separation and sorrow!
  - c. “Upon all nature” (3:18) Thorns.... And thistles shall it bring forth- from this point on man’s paradise became a wilderness. The roses now contain thorns. This will continue to be the case until the curse is lifted during the millennium (Rom. 8:19-22; Psalm 102:2; Heb. 1:10-12)
  - d. Upon the Serpent (3:14) “and ... god Said unto the serpent... upon thy belly shalt thou go” The serpent is not offered a chance to explain its actions as God allowed Adam and Eve to do. Judgment is passed out immediately. For lending its body to Satan, the serpent was cursed to crawl in the dirt.



This will continue even during the millennium (Is. 65:25)

- e. Upon the Devil (3:15) “and I will put enmity” On the surface it appears to be a natural hatred for snakes by man. However upon closer consideration we find the final conflict between Jesus and Satan. Wherein Jesus will crush Satan’s head and Satan will bruise Christ’s heel (the Cross) (Rom. 16:20; Is. 53:5)

#### 4. The Grace of God

- a. In seeking out Adam (3:9) “and the Lord God called unto Adam” Many is the student who is told by his professor that the word of God is a record of man’s search for God! However the opposite is the truth! It is a record of God’s search for man. We see here God taking the initiative in bringing man into reconciliation with himself. (Is. 1:18, 55:1-3; John 7:37-38; Rev. 22:17; Luke 19:10)
- b. In promising them a Savior (3:15) Adam was able to name every living creature of every species. 3500 mammals, 8600 birds, 5500 reptiles. However there were seven words unknown to him before the fall, that he would need a savior for.
  1. Death (2:17) 2. Nakedness (3:17) 3. Cursed (3:14)
  4. Sorrow (3:17) 5. Thorns (3:18) 6. Sweat (3:19) 7. Sword (3:24). Compare with Colossians 2:14.
- c. In clothing them (3:21) “God made coats of skins and clothed them” although we are not specifically told it was lambs I believe it was two lambs. This begins the scarlet thread of redemption that will require the innocent to die for the guilty all the way to Jesus on the cross (Is. 53:5-6; 1 Peter 3:18) righteousness is typified by right clothes (Is. 64:6; Rev. 19:7-8)
- d. In removing them from the Garden of Eden (3:24)
  1. “So he drove out the man” Man’s removal was an act of mercy more than judgment. 3:22 tells us that God did this to keep Adam from the tree of life and being able to live forever in his fallen state. Think of the evil men of this world’s history

and what would have happened had they been immortal.

2. “He placed.....Cherubim and a flaming sword to block the way back into Eden. (3:24) the cherubim are a special class of angel. They are closely related to God’s holiness. (Ex. 25:18-22; Ezek. 10:1-20; Rev. 4:6-8)
  3. “to keep the way of the tree of life” (3:24) This glorious tree moves off the pages of scripture until the millennium and eternity (Rev. 22:2)
5. The offering of Abel and Cain (4:1-26)
- a. Eve gives birth to Cain in verse 1 She believes that he is the answer to the promise of (3:15) She will find out that he certainly is not the redeemer. Some time later Abel is born (4:2). There are those who believe that these two were twins, how ever there is no specific proof of that and no clear time reference in regard to their births.
  - b. Years go by; when they are old enough they go to work just as Adam. They have both been taught the proper time and sacrifice to bring before the Lord. Cain doesn’t bring a lamb (4:5) he rather brings a bloodless sacrifice of the vegetables brought out of the cursed ground. Cain then adds insult to injury; (Pro. 14:12) here is the first true instance of man trying to become right with God without the shedding of innocent blood there is no remission of sin. (Lev. 17:11; Heb. 9:22)
  - c. Abel on the other hand brings a lamb and his sacrifice is accepted by God (4:4) Dr. Barnhouse “The highway to the cross was now firmly established. Here the first lamb is seen, one lamb for one man. Later, at the Passover there will be one lamb for one household. (Ex. 12) Then on the day of Atonement there will be one lamb for a nation (Lev. 16) Finally, it is Christ who takes away the sin of the world (Jh. 1:29) The awesome power of the bleeding lamb!

- d. Cain slays his brother. The first modernist now becomes the first murderer in the name of religion (4:8)
  - e. Cain is driven from the blessings of God. He marries one of his sisters. (4:17, 5:4) and establishes his home in Nod, going on to build the first city. The bad or wicked genealogy is always given first. This also establishes another law in scripture that is the second preferred over the first son.
  - f. Eve again gives birth this time to Seth, who takes the place of Abel in the Messianic line (4:25,26)
6. The Genealogy of Death (5:6-32)

This entire chapter is one of death. It gives the genealogy of Adam and traces the godly line down to Noah. Notice in verse one it says “the book” it is obvious that Adam recorded his descendants and their families in a book.

This book records the age of a person at the time his righteous successor was born and it also records that they continued having children every couple of years until death.

There is one notable exception in this story

7. The Ministry of Enoch (5:21)
- A. He is one of two men who were said to have walked with God before the flood.
  - B. It does not say he walked with God before his son was born “Methuselah” which means “when he is dead it shall be sent” Enoch knew the outcome of such judgment as God said would come, that he became a close follower not a casual acquaintance Methuselah lived longer than anyone (969yrs.) for God was not willing that any should perish and was giving sinful man as much time as possible!
  - C. Enoch was the first recorded preacher and he preached on the coming judgment! Jude 1:14-15
  - D. Enoch was a man of great faith Heb. 11:5
  - E. Enoch was one of two human beings who get to heaven without dying physically and someday however millions of Christians will experience the

same wonderful thing 1 1 Cor. 15:52; 1 Thess 4:16-17

#### 8. The Sons of God (6:1-7)

- A. There is and has been some controversy over the interpretation of these verses. I personally was taught that if it makes sense to not make it make nonsense. So I will give you the least likely explanation first briefly as God does and then the practical obvious answer.
- B. The least likely is this that these sons of God are fallen angels who committed immoral acts with women who bore some sort of half man half angel super being. The myths of the Greek and Roman half gods or titans were born from this idea.  
Now lets move on to the better more sensible view which is in line with the rest of the Bible.
- C. The basic argument for them being men
  1. Because this is the most natural way to interpret the passage
  2. Because of the statement of Jesus in Matthew 22:30 “ For in the resurrection they (saved human beings in heaven) neither marry nor are given in marriage, but are as the angels of God in Heaven”
  3. Because of the law of biogenesis – life begets similar life Gen. 1: 11,12,21,24,25 “after its kind
  4. Because of Paul’s statement in 1 Cor. 15:38-40 “there are also celestial bodies and bodies terrestrial” This verse indicates that these two can never co- join.
  5. Because Moses did not use the regular Hebrew word for angels which he later uses some 28 times in the first five books?
  6. Because the “mighty men” is used through out the rest of the Old Testament and always refers to human men.

#### 9. The Pre-flood World (Gen 6)

The answer to a few basic questions on the world that was!

A. What was the antediluvian climate?

There existed universal warmth – no deserts, no ice caps the topography was gentle and rolling no mountains or deep valleys just lush green vegetation thriving everywhere.

There was no rain as dew and ground water watered the earth.

John Patten “it has been found that sub-tropical conditions existed on all lands. Palm leaves and marine crustaceans have been found 800 miles from the North Pole.

Admiral Byrd wrote of similar findings in a protruding Mountain range 200 miles from the South Pole.

B. What is meant by the canopy theory?

Teaches that there was a huge canopy of water vapor many times greater than today. (Gen. 1:7 with 7:11) This helps explain the longevity of the men of Genesis 5.

Henry Morris “The most important effect of the canopy was the shielding action provided against radiation impinging upon the earth. Here are the findings of other scientist

1. Dr. Austin Brues of the Argonne National Laboratory said “Experiments have shown that a single dose of radiation which does not kill tends to shorten life.
2. Dr. Shields Warren Cancer research specialist stated “There is much evidence that overdoses of radiation lead to premature aging”
3. Dr. George Beadle head of Biology at Cal Tech “In experimental animals sub-lethal doses of radiation appreciably reduce the life span

C. how advanced was the pre-flood civilization/

A popular book of the seventies was “Chariots of the Gods” by Erich Von Daniken. He says we were visited by “little green men” using the following proof

1. Landing strips built on the plains of Peru
2. Long concrete constructions in Bolivia
3. Drawings of space ships in Mexico
4. Glass tektites containing radioactive aluminum isotopes found in Lebanon
5. Cut crystal lenses in Egypt and Iraq
6. Electric dry batteries in Baghdad
7. Ornaments of smelted platinum if Peru
8. A belt made of aluminum in a grave in China

While rejecting Von Daniken's explanation, one still can see the evidence of a highly sophisticated pre-flood society!

D. How did their age compare to ours? Read Luke 17:26-27

1. Preoccupation with physical appetites
2. Rapid advance on technology
3. Materialistic attitudes
4. Uniformitarian philosophies
5. Inordinate devotion to pleasure and comfort
6. Ungodliness in belief and conduct
7. Disregard for the sacredness of the marriage relation
8. Rejection of the word of God
9. Population Explosion
10. Widespread violence and corruption
11. Preoccupation with illicit sex
12. Evidence of organized Satanic activity

E. How much spiritual light did the pre-flood world have?

1. They had the witness of Nature Rom. 1:19-20
2. They had the witness of Conscience Rom. 2:14-15

We are now going to look at the flood and it's aftermath

I. When did the flood begin?

Comparing all the records of the commencement of the flood we come to the conclusion that it began on the 1<sup>st</sup> of Marcheswan. Which is the 17<sup>th</sup> of November on our

calendar; it came to an end on the 27<sup>th</sup> day one year later.

To many people November brings the “day of the dead” there are many ancient calendars that begin with November. November 2<sup>nd</sup> is all souls day.

The recollection among many people around the world of the flood has never ceased.

We are told that after 150 days the Ark rested on the 17<sup>th</sup> day of the seventh month. The flood started in November and the Ark rested in April or the month Nisan on the 17<sup>th</sup>

Israel in Egypt took a lamb on the 10<sup>th</sup> kept it until the 14<sup>th</sup> they then killed it and ate it and left Egypt and on the 17<sup>th</sup> of Nisan they were safe on the other side of the Red Sea.

Century’s later Christ himself kept the same Passover and arose on the 17<sup>th</sup> day of the month Nisan.

## II. How long did the flood last?

The following figures could not apply to a local or regional flood.

A. There was forty days of rainfall	40	
B. The water continued to rise for	110days	110
C. The water covered the earth for		74
D. Forty more days Noah sent the raven		40
E. Seven days before he sent the dove		7
F. Seven more days he sent the dove again		7
G. Seven more days before the third flight		7
H. We have 285 days to this point		
On the 1 <sup>st</sup> of the month in the year 601		29
I. From the removal of the cover to the end		57

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371

days

## III. Was the flood worldwide?

Both the Bible and secular evidence would strongly support that it was indeed a global event.

A. Because of the need of the Ark- a local or regional flood would not have required such a craft

- B. Because of the wide distribution of man before the flood
- C. Because of the comparison made between the historical flood and the coming fiery judgment recorded in the following passages 2 Peter 3:3-7,10; Rev. 21:1 also Luke 17:26-30.
- D. Because if the flood was local then God lied to Noah. When he promised never to send a destructive flood again (Gen 9:11) there have been many local floods.
- E. Because of the flood traditions which can be found in the history of every ancient civilization and culture. Dr. Richard Andree collected 46 flood accounts from North and South America; 20 from Asia; 5 from Europe; 7 from Africa and 10 from the South Seas and Australia
- F. Because of marine fossils found atop various mountains. A whale's skeleton was found on top of Mt Sanhorn on the Arctic coast, similar ones have been found a mile high on the California coastal range. They have even been found on Mt. Everest. Most recently there has been an Alligator found in core drillings in the arctic along with tropical plants.
- G. Because of the many fossil "fish beds" all over the world. Science digest; "more than a billion fish 6 to 8 inches long died on 4 square miles of bay bottom off California.  
Ivan Velikovsky said "specimens are found in a state of agony but with no marks of a scavenger's attack"
- H. Because of the world wide animal fossil graveyards. Henry Morris "More than 6,000 vertebrate animals along with a great number of insects, mollusks, and plants were found in central Germany. Robert Bloom "estimates there are right at an hundred thousand million skeletons in the Korros formation in South Africa. Also the La Brae tar pits in Los Angeles along with hundreds of others should be proof enough.
- I. Because of the evidence of recent water bodies in present desert areas.
- J. Because of the evidence of recent rise in sea level



- K. Because of the universal occurrence of rivers in valleys too large for the present system.
- L. Because of the evidence from the geological column.
1. There was a continuous deposition from beginning to the end of the stratum layers. There is no erosion between layers and in some layers there are water ripple marks. In other places tree trunks pass through several layers of stratum. On a personal note at the strip mine where I worked this was found to be true along with creek gravels imbedded in massive sandstone rocks, and other similar fossils.
  2. Those fossils from supposed different “ages” in evolution actually lived at the same time.
- V. How destructive would a worldwide flood be?  
Like a world wide Tsunami (tidal wave). Those recorded have leveled islands, flattened cities and killed upwards of 60,000 in Lisbon Spain in 1755. The worst of all was Krakatoa the destruction was equal to several atomic bombs.
- VI. How big was Noah’s Ark?  
The Ark was 450 feet long 75 feet wide and 45 feet high. Her three decks contained some 97,700 square feet. The over all volume was 1,500,000 cubic feet. Her gross tonnage was 14,000 tons. It took until 1884 before men could build a ship of equal size. Her ratio was that of 6 to 1 only one other ship has ever come close to this ratio which is perfect for sailing the oceans and that was the “Great Britain built in 1844.
- VII. How did Noah gather all the needed animals from the world?  
Actually God gathered these animals (Gen 7:8-9). The continents were not separated at this time by oceans as they are today.
- VIII. How did Noah possibly pack all those animals on board?  
First we must determine how many animals were involved.  
Dr. Ernest Mangle world leading systematic taxonomist lists the following number of species.

Mammals ----- 3,500  
 Birds-----8, 600  
 Rep. & Ampib----5, 500  
 Worms----- 25,000

Dr. Henry Morris “for all practical purpose’s there was no more than 35,000 vertebrate animals on the Ark with the average size of a sheep.

The average rail stock car holds 240 sheep so two 73 car trains would hold all the animals. The ark would haul 522 cars of this size. Clearly the Ark was capable of performing what it was designed for with room left over.

IX. How did Noah feed and keep them for a year?

The most reasonable possibility is simply hibernation. Many animals carry this trait even today. Some believe that before the flood animals did not hibernate.

X. Why are there no fossils in Asia Minor where the Ark came to rest?

Evolutionists say this proves only a local flood. Since there are no known Kangaroo fossils in Asia Minor.

The objection however may be refuted easily enough as fossils are only formed under unusual conditions.

Example: The American buffalo was killed by the millions some 120 years ago. There are very few skeletons that remain and none are fossilized.

XI. How did the animals get from Asia Minor to there present locations?

The earth was not separated into our modern continents until after the flood in the days of a man named Peleg.

There are obvious areas of connection such as the Bering Straight or the East Indies Island chain forms a continuous stepping stone to Australia.

XII. Was there an Ice Age?

With a universal flood would undoubtedly come an ice age. The earth shifted off of its axis to its present position. This would totally change the weather patterns around the world. The deserts were wet for centuries after the flood. The Tropic’s were inundated with continual rain, with the humidity reaching a constant 100%. All the northern regions would see snow everyday reaching up to a

thousand feet the first year. In the first 100 years alone you would have 50,000 feet of snow packed down into 5,000 feet of ice.

Mammoths are a good example of a cataclysmic encasement in water and then flash frozen suddenly in ice. There have been a number of them uncovered in recent years many with their last meal still intact in their stomachs and no decay at all. Some even have plants in their mouths they were chewing when they were frozen!

#### XIII. Where did all the floodwaters go?

There are two passages in the Bible that answers this question the first is in Genesis 8:2-3. The second one is over in the book of Psalms. Psalm 104 to be exact and verses 6-9 with verse 8 being the key verse.

The earth's crust was depressed creating natural basins for the water to recede into.

#### XIV. What was involved in Noah's prophecy concerning his three sons after the flood?

Noah planted a vineyard and drinks of the fruit thereof and becomes drunk from it goes in his tent and lays down without his clothes on. Later his son Ham comes in and sees his nakedness. Whatever the sin that is committed it brings a curse on to Ham's son Canaan. Upon awakening Noah gives a prophecy about all three of his children. (Gen 9: 20-27)

##### A. What was this horrible sin which caused such a curse?

There are those who believe it was a Homosexual act.

This may well be true given the fact that the Canaanites practiced this down through there history. Whatever the sin it was very severe.

1. The Hebrew language seems to suggest it.
2. The phrase "nakedness of his father" in 9:22 this is connected with sexual immorality in Leviticus 18 and 20.
3. Ham's son Canaan, was the progenitor of the Canaanite people who later populated Palestine and who were noted for their horrible habits of sexual perversion. Gen. 10:19; 19:1-11; 1 Kings 14:24; Rom. 1:24-27

- B. Why was Canaan cursed? (9:25) It was because Ham instigated the crime. In Gen. 5:32 it tells us Japheth was Noah's youngest son!
- C. What was involved in Noah's three-fold prophecy?
1. To Ham and Canaan-" a servant of servants shall he be unto his brethren
    - a. Negative- It did not result in a special curse on black people! Ham had four sons.
      1. Cush – father of the Ethiopians
      2. Mizraim – father of the Egyptians
      3. Phut – Father of the Libyans and people of Africa
      4. Canaan – father of the Canaanites.
 Seeing as the curse was leveled against Canaan and not Phut there exists no racial implication within the curse. The Canaanite problem was not a skin color but rather a heart problem!
    - b. Positive- The wide scope of this prophecy foretells that Ham's descendants will be subject to both the sons of Shem and Japheth
      1. Joshua, David, and Solomon subdued them
      2. Alexander the Great (descendent of Japheth) defeated the Phoenicians in 331 BC.
      3. The Romans defeated Hannibal of Carthage in 202bc
 Eric Sauer said "with Nimrod began and with Hannibal ended the Hamite world empire.
  2. To Shem-"Blessed be the Lord God of Shem" here is a reference to Shem and his descendents (Abraham, Isaac, Jacob and including a Bethlehem manger.
  3. To Japheth "God shall enlarge Japheth" 19 centuries later this prophecy came to pass in 538 BC Cyrus (Japheth) defeated Belshazzar and the Semitic capital of Babylon. No Semitic or Hamite has broken the supremacy of Japheth.  
The second part of the prophecy "and he shall dwell in the tents of Shem" Paul explains this in Romans 11: 13-25

## *THE CONFUSION AT BABEL (GEN. 11)*

## I. The arrogance of man 11:1-4

“Of one language and of one speech” (Gen. 11:1) language is defined here as “life” and “speech” is defined as “words” man at this time spoke the exact same language with not even a dialect difference.

“As they journeyed from the east” 11:2

The Ark came to rest several hundred miles east of Mesopotamia (Shinar) as the boy’s spoke of their home their descendents determined to visit there.

“Let us build a tower” (11:4) Archeological evidence suggests that the tower of Babel was a building given over to the worship of the heavens.

In the ruins of Babylon is a building 153 feet high with a 400-foot base. It was constructed of dry bricks in seven layers each one dedicated to one of the seven known planets. Black for Saturn, Orange for Jupiter, and Red for Mars and so on.

Dr. Barnhouse said “It was an open defiant turning to Satan and the beginning of devil worship. This is why the Bible everywhere pronounces a curse on those who consult the sun, the moon, and the stars of heaven.”

“Lest we be scattered abroad” 11:4

Years prior to this the first murderer heard God declare him a fugitive and a vagabond shalt thou be in the earth. “Gen. 4:12” Now Cain’s spiritual children were rebelling against the same God, but were anxious to stay together. Here is the first religious ecumenical council in history. God hated it then and he still hates it now!

## II. The Action of God (11:5-9)

“Let us... confound their language (7)

Here we have another Old Testament hint of the trinity. God says, “Let us”. The language Adam used in naming the animals was like a great mirror. Now God shatters that mirror. Each group of people retaining only a fragment of the original, one larger another smaller.

That is why there are so many earphones and booths at the United? Nations.

“Therefore is the name of it called Babel (11:9)?

Nimrod is the one who named this the Gate of God. God however renamed it to “confusion.”