

## Genesis 8

Verse 1 -3

**But God remembered Noah and all the animals and all the livestock that were with him in the ark; and God caused a wind to pass over the earth, and the water subsided. <sup>2</sup> Also the fountains of the deep and the floodgates of the sky were closed, and the rain from the sky was restrained; <sup>3</sup> and the water receded steadily from the earth, and at the end of 150 days the water decreased.**

**And God caused a wind to pass over the earth**

Some of the flood water evaporated

The Earth's atmosphere contains 37.5 million-billion gallons of water vapor

Enough water to cover the entire surface of the planet with 1 inch of water

**And the water receded steadily from the earth**

The water that evaporated was only a small amount of the flood water

So what happened to the rest of the water?

See psalm 104:5-9

During creation the waters covered the earth above the mountains

Then God made the mountains rise and the valleys sink down

This made the land appear and become dry

The same thing probably happened to the flood waters

Some of the land sank and became deep valleys

And the flood waters filled these valleys and formed our oceans

Verse 4

**Then in the seventh month, on the seventeenth day of the month, the ark rested upon the mountains of Ararat.**

It had been 5 months since the deluge started

See pic 805

The mountains of Ararat



The mountains of Ararat designate an area, not a particular peak

In this region there were two peaks, the Greater and the Lesser Ararat

The Greater rising to an elevation of 16,945 feet

The Lesser to a height of 12,877 feet above sea level

These peaks are in Turkish territory

The ark rested on the highest peak and the other peaks could not be seen at that time

Verse 5

<sup>5</sup> **And the water decreased steadily until the tenth month; in the tenth month, on the first day of the month, the tops of the mountains became visible.**

It was now 71/2 months since the flood began

See chart 810

<b>Date</b>	<b>Total time</b>	<b>Event</b>	<b>Genesis</b>
2-17		Flood water came	7:14
3-27	40 days	rain stops	7:17
7-17	5 months	Ark rested on Ararat	8:4
10-1	71/2 months	Top of mountains seen	8:5
40 days	9 months	Raven sent out	8:6
7 days		Dove has olive leaf	8:10
7 days	91/2 months	Dove does not return	8:12
1-1	101/2 months	Noah removes the covering	8:13
2-27	1 year 10 days	Leave the ark	8:14

Evolutionist's reject the idea of a global flood and say it is a myth

So is there any proof that there was a global flood

See video 815      1.3 Evolution destroyed

<http://www.levickfamily.com/1.3.html>

Also, is there any proof that it occurred about 5,000 years ago

See video 820      1.4 A new creation

<http://www.levickfamily.com/1.4.html>

Verses 6-12

Then it came about at the end of forty days, that Noah opened the window of the ark which he had made; <sup>7</sup> and he sent out a raven, and it flew here and there until the water was dried up from the earth. <sup>8</sup> Then he sent out a dove, to see if the water was low on the surface of the land; <sup>9</sup> but the dove found no resting place for the sole of its foot, so it returned to him in the ark, for the water was on the surface of all the earth. Then he put out his hand and took it, and brought it into the ark to himself. <sup>10</sup> So he waited another seven days longer; and again he sent out the dove from the ark. <sup>11</sup> And the dove came to him in the evening, and behold, in its beak was a fresh olive leaf. So Noah knew that the water was low on the earth. <sup>12</sup> Then he waited another seven days longer, and sent out the dove; but it did not return to him again.

At the end of forty days, Noah opened the window of the ark; <sup>7</sup> and he sent out a raven

It was now almost 9 months since the rains came

See chart 825

### Global flood

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So he waited another seven days longer; and again he sent out the dove from the ark. <sup>11</sup> And the dove came to him in the evening, and behold, in its beak was a fresh olive leaf

Plants and trees were beginning to sprout new leaves

Then he waited another seven days longer, and sent out the dove; but it did not return to him again.

There was enough growth that the dove had no need to return to the ark

Verse 13

<sup>13</sup> Now it came about in the six hundred and first year, in the first month, on the first of the month, that the water was dried up from the earth. Then Noah removed the covering of the ark, and looked, and behold, the surface of the ground had dried up.

See chart 830

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Even though the waters were dried up

Noah, his family and the animals stayed in the ark for about 2 more months

If all of the animals had been released right away

There may have been a shortage of food for them

Verse 14 - 19

**<sup>14</sup> And in the second month, on the twenty-seventh day of the month, the earth was dry. <sup>15</sup> Then God spoke to Noah, saying, <sup>16</sup> “Go out of the ark, you and your wife and your sons and your sons’ wives with you. <sup>17</sup> Bring out with you every living thing of all flesh that is with you, birds and animals and every crawling thing that crawls on the earth, that they may breed abundantly on the earth, and be fruitful and multiply on the earth.” <sup>18</sup> So Noah went out, and his sons and his wife, and his sons’ wives with him. <sup>19</sup> Every animal, every crawling thing, and every bird, everything that moves on the earth, went out by their families from the ark.**

**Then God spoke to Noah, saying, <sup>16</sup> “Go out of the ark, you and your wife and your sons and your sons’ wives with you.**

See chart 835

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How long had Noah and his family been in the ark?

It had been 1 year and 17 days

Because they were in the ark for 1 week before the flood started

See Genesis 7:7-10

Verses 20-22

**<sup>20</sup> Then Noah built an altar to the Lord, and took some of every *kind of* clean animal and some of every clean bird and offered burnt offerings on the altar.**

**<sup>21</sup> The Lord smelled the soothing aroma, and the Lord said to Himself, "I will never again curse the ground on account of man, for the intent of man's heart is evil from his youth; and I will never again destroy every living thing, as I have done.**

**<sup>22</sup> While the earth remains,  
Seedtime and harvest,  
Cold and heat,  
Summer and winter,  
And day and night  
Shall not cease."**

**Then Noah built an altar to the Lord, and took some of every *kind of* clean animal and some of every clean bird and offered burnt offerings on the altar.**

Presenting a burnt offering of every clean beast, and of every clean bird

This was a huge sacrifice when you consider the number of clean animals

**The Lord smelled the soothing aroma**

This is a way of saying that God approved of the sacrifice

**I will never again curse the ground on account of man**

God will not curse the ground again because of man's sin

However, the curse on the ground because of Adam was not removed

**While the earth remains, seedtime and harvest, and cold and heat, and summer and winter, and day and night shall not cease."**

The earth will be destroyed by fire at the end of time

But God will preserve the course of nature till that time