

THE CALM AT THE END OF THE STORM

Introduction:

I. NOAH WAITING (vs. 1-5)

- A. "God remembered Noah" (vs. 1)
- B. "the water subsided...decreased" (vs. 2-3, 5)

God "caused a wind to pass over the earth"

physical changes after the flood (Psalm 104:5-9)

- oceans more extensive
- 2 rugged topography
- thermal vapor blanket gone
- winds, storms, rain, snow
- glaciers, rivers, lakes multiplied
- radiation from sun
- C. "the ark came to rest" (vs. 4)

"on the mountains of Ararat"

II. NOAH WATCHING (vs. 6-17)

A. "Noah opened the window" (vs. 6-10)

"the window of the ark" (c.f. 6:16)

"he sent out a raven...a dove" (vs. 6, 8)

"forty days...seven days"

B. "the water was dried up" (vs. 11-13)

"a freshly picked olive leaf"

"in the six hundred and first year, in the first month, on the first of the month"

"the water was dried up from the earth"

C. "Noah removed the covering of the ark, and looked" (vs. 14-17)

"Go out of the ark..."

"bring out with you every living thing"

"that they may breed abundantly... and be fruitful and multiply on the earth"

"Evolutionists have arranged these supposed 'geological ages' in a supposed chronological order, purportedly extending vertically upward through the 'geological column' of sedimentary rocks deposited above the crystalline rocks on the bottom. ...Nowhere in the world does the so-called geological column actually occur. It is possible for any vertical sequence of these 'ages', or any portion of them, to exist in any given locality. Any age may be on the bottom, any on top, and any in between. The contained fossils - rather than vertical superposition or any other physical feature of the formation - constitute the controlling factor of the 'age' assigned to it. Thus the theory of evolution is assumed in building up the geological column, and then the latter is taken as the main proof of the theory of evolution."

— Henry Morris, *The Genesis Record*, p. 213



III. NOAH WORSHIPING (vs. 18-22)

A. "Noah went out" (vs. 18-19)

"everything...went out by their families"

B. "Noah built an altar" (vs. 20)

"Noah...offered burnt offerings"

"of every clean animal and...bird"

"the LORD smelled the soothing aroma"

C. "the LORD said to Himself" (vs. 21-22)

"I will never again..."

"the intent of man's heart is evil from his youth"

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

Conclusion:

- 1) God remembers us.
- 2) We must remember God.
- 3) This constitutes a covenant relationship.

THE CHRONOLOGY OF THE FLOOD

Number of Days		Biblical Reference	Event	Date (not stated)	Day of the Week*
	7	7:4, 10	announcement of the flood seven days in advance	(2/10/600)	Sunday
150		7:11, 13	rains begin; Noah and family enter the ark	2/17/600	Sunday
	40	7:12	rains last 40 days and end	(3/27/600)	Friday
	(110)	7:24	flood waters "prevail" for 150 days		
150		8:3	flood waters "return" for 150 days		
		8:4	ark comes to rest on the mountains of Ararat	7/17/600	Friday
	(74)	8:5	mountaintops become visible	10/1/600	Wednesday
	40	8:6-7	raven sent out	(11/10/600)	Sunday
	7	8:8	dove sent out first time	(11/17/600)	Sunday
	7	8:10	dove sent out second flight, returns with olive leaf	(11/24/600)	Sunday
	7	8:12	dove sent out third time, does not return	(12/1/600)	Sunday
	(29)	8:3	end of second 150-day period (waters fully abated)	(12/17/600)	Wednesday
(71)		8:13	Noah removes the covering of the ark	1/1/601	Wednesday
	(57)	8:14–19	earth finally dried out and Noah leaves ark	2/27/601	Wednesday
Total time in ark: 371 days			from 2/17/600 to 2/27/601 (12 months of 30 days plus 11 days		

^{*} Assuming that the month and day calculations are taken from the first day of creation (Gen. 1:5), the calendar calculations of the flood period fall on these days of the week.