

Totally Finished and Completed Creation; then comes the Flood !!

Gen 1:31 And God saw everything that he had made, and behold, it was very good. And there **were evenings** and there **were mornings**, the sixth **time**. (ESVMod) [H1653 H1242 -- H3117; as **evenings and mornings** per NKJV mod. for **Daniel 8:26**, also **ESV, JPS, etc.** and H3117 is **time** per Gen 2:4]

The Seventh Day, God Rests Gen 2:1 Heaven and **earth and everything in them were finished**.

Gen 2:2 By the seventh day God had finished work he had been doing. On the seventh day **he stopped the work he had been doing**. (He rested)

Gen 2:3 Then God blessed the seventh day and set it apart as holy, because on that day **he stopped all his work of creation**. [He rested and this time is not terminated until there is "a new heaven and a new earth" without a sea and a new Jerusalem comes down out of heaven. (Rev 21:1-2.)]

Gen 2:4 This is the account of heaven and earth when they were created, **at the time** (H3117 yom day/days/time) when the LORD God made earth and heaven. (GW)

"were finished — brought to completion. No permanent change has ever since been made in the course of the world, no new species of animals been formed, no law of nature repealed or added to." (Jamieson, Fausset, and Brown Commentary)

**Many students and translators have looked to underground waters, the subterranean water supply bursting open/forth/through, gushing up, or erupting to provide enough water to cause the great catastrophic destruction of a perceived "Global Flood" !!
But per w-w.usgs.gov only 1.69 percent of earth's total water is groundwater.**

Genesis 7:11

(NIV) In the six hundredth year of Noah's life, on the seventeenth day of the second month--on that day all the springs of the great deep burst forth, and the floodgates of the heaven were opened.

(NLT) When Noah was six hundred years old, on the seventeenth day of the second month all the underground waters erupted from the earth, and the rain fell in mighty torrents from the sky.

(ESV) In the six hundredth year of Noah's life, in the second month, on the seventeenth day of the month, on that day all the fountains of the great deep burst forth, and the windows of the heavens were opened.

(NASB) In the six hundredth year of Noah's life, in the second month, on the seventeenth day of the second month, all the fountains of the great deep burst open, and the floodgates of the sky were opened.

(ERV) On the 17th day of the second month, when Noah was 600 years old, the springs under the earth broke through the ground, and water flowed out everywhere. The sky also opened like windows and rain poured down. The rain fell on the earth for 40 days and 40 nights.

(GNB) When Noah was six hundred years old, on the seventeenth day of the second month all the outlets of the vast body of water beneath the earth burst open, all the floodgates of the sky were opened,

(GW) On the seventeenth day of the second month of the six hundredth year of Noah's life, all the deep springs burst open. The sky opened,

(ISV) On the seventeenth day of the second month, when Noah was 600 years old, all the springs of the great deep burst open, the floodgates of the heavens were opened,

(BBE) In the six hundredth year of Noah's life, in the second month, on the seventeenth day of the month, all the fountains of the great deep came bursting through, and the windows of heaven were open;

(CEV) Noah was six hundred years old when the water under the earth started gushing out everywhere. The sky opened like windows, and rain poured down for forty days and nights. All this began on the seventeenth day of the second month of the year.

(LITV) In the six hundredth year of Noah's life, in the second month, in the seventeenth day of the month, in this day all the fountains of the great deep were risen, and the windows of the heavens were opened up.

Many have a simpler more direct translation not including subterranean waters, the springs/wells of the surface waters were cleaved/broken up !!

(KJV) In the six hundredth year of Noah's life, in the second month, the seventeenth day of the month, the same day were all the fountains of the great deep broken up, and the windows of heaven were opened.

(KJV+) In the six^{H8337} hundredth^{H3967} year^{H8141} of Noah's^{H5146} life,^{H2416} in the second^{H8145} month,^{H2320} the seventeenth^{H7651 H6240} day^{H3117} of the month,^{H2320} the same^{H2320} day^{H3117} were all^{H3605} the **fountains^{H4599} of the great^{H7227} deep^{H8415} broken up**,^{H1234} and the windows^{H699} of heaven^{H8064} were opened.^{H6605}

(NKJV) In the six hundredth year of Noah's life, in the second month, the seventeenth day of the month, on that day all the fountains of the great deep were broken up, and the windows of heaven were opened.

(ASV) In the six hundredth year of Noah's life, in the second month, on the seventeenth day of the month, on the same day were all the fountains of the great deep broken up, and the windows of heaven were opened.

(RV) In the six hundredth year of Noah's life, in the second month, on the seventeenth day of the month, on the same day were all the fountains of the great deep broken up, and the windows of heaven were opened.

(JPS) In the six hundredth year of Noah's life, in the second month, on the seventeenth day of the month, on the same day were all the fountains of the great deep broken up, and the windows of heaven were opened.

(MKJV) In the six hundredth year of Noah's life, in the second month, in the seventeenth day of the month, in this day all the fountains of the great deep were broken up, and the windows of the heavens were opened up.

(DRB) In the six hundredth year of the life of Noe, in the second month, in the seventeenth day of the month, all the fountains of the great deep were broken up, and the floodgates of heaven were opened:

(Brenton) In the six hundredth year of the life of Noe, in the second month, on the twenty-seventh day of the month, on this day all the fountains of the abyss were broken up, and the flood-gates of heaven were opened.

(YLT) In the six hundredth year of the life of Noah, in the second month, in the seventeenth day of the month, in this day have been broken up all fountains of the great deep, and the net-work of the heavens hath been opened,

Question: What is the "Great Deep"; the great^{H7227} deep^{H8415} ??

Isa 51:10 Was it not you who dried up the sea (H3220), the waters of the great deep, who made the depths of the sea (H4615 H3220) a way for the redeemed to pass over? (As when the Israelites crossed through the Reed (Red) Sea)

Gen 1:2 And the earth was without form, and void; and darkness *was* upon the **face^{H6440} of the deep^{H8415}** And the Spirit of God moved upon the **face^{H6440} of the waters.**^{H4325}

Gen 1:10 And God called the dry *land* Earth; and the gathering together of the waters^{H4325} called he **Seas.**^{H3220} and God saw that *it was* good.

The deep seas were on the surface of the planet since the very first time period of creation !

H8415 tehôm

BDB Definition:

1) deep, depths, deep places, abyss, the deep, sea

1a) deep (of subterranean waters)

1b) deep, sea, abysses (of sea)

1c) primeval ocean, deep

1d) deep, depth (of river)

1e) abyss, the grave

Strong's Definition:

(Usually feminine) from H1949; an *abyss* (as a *surging* mass of water), especially the *deep* (**the main sea** or the subterranean *water supply*): - deep (place), depth. Total KJV occurrences: 36

H1234 bâqa'

BDB Definition:

1) **to split, cleave, break open, divide**, break through, rip up, **break up**, tear [**Burst is not included !!**]

Strong's Definition:

A primitive root; to **cleave**; generally to *rend*, **break**, *rip* or *open*: - make a breach, break forth (into, out, in pieces, through, up), be ready to burst, **cleave (asunder)**, cut out, **divide**, hatch, rend (asunder), rip up, tear, win. **Total KJV occurrences: 51**

H1234 is used for the **spitting of wood** in Genesis 22:3 and the **dividing of the reed sea** (H3220) for the Israelites in Exodus 14:16. As shown above in Genesis 7:11 it is often translated as **burst open/forth/through, gushing, or risen and as burst only once in Job 32:19, only once out of the 51 occurrences in the KJV+!**

The (NIV), (GW), and (ISV) translations indicate that H4599 can be translated not only as a fountain, but also as a spring, or a well !! BDB has only a spring !! But each can indicate sources of water within a deep body of water on the surface and not required to be from an underground water source!

We find in older Jewish writings that the cause of the deluge actually came from the sky !

"When the Holy One ... wanted to bring a flood upon the world, **He took two stars from Khima and brought a flood upon the world.**" is a quote from the English translation (by Maurice Simon, 1948) of the Tractate Brakhot of the Babylonian Talmud. "Rabbi Moses Ben Nachman (*Died 1270 AD*), a Jew living in Spain, wrote of God taking **two stars from Khima** and **throwing them at the earth in order to begin the great flood.**" ("Comets in Ancient Cultures") Khima is mentioned in Job 9:9, Job 38:31, and Amos 5:8. The BDB definition is **H3598** Kiyamah: "Pleiades, a constellation of 7 stars." No Biblical Hebrew word is translated as comet. It can be assumed that "**star**" means any small bright shining object in the sky, as when a comet is beyond the inner solar system the tail often does not show. To the ancient observer on earth the comet appeared to come from Khima. **How do we get "two stars"?** "comet Biela—discovered in 1826 — was observed to suddenly split into two distinct fragments, which continued to journey side by side along the same orbit. Eventually, both parts of Biela developed into complete comets with tails and both reappeared in 1852, but they were never seen again." (source sciencedirect.com ... comet-tails)

Only those translations that allow the understanding that subterranean waters were not the cause of the flood should be used, it was only the deep surface waters that were impacted by the comet fragments !! The majority of the comet fragments, ice chunks or dirt, would impact (cleave/break up) the seas, some would impact the land, and some may just pass by! Much of the water content of the comet vaporizes in the atmosphere as friction heats it up and falls as rain as the 40 day event continues!

A catastrophic event for the planet, but a short lived one! When Noah released the dove for a 2nd time and it did not return (Gen 8:8-9) it had found **"sufficient food to eat, and a proper place for its habitation;"** (John Gill's Exposition...) and by then much of the normal plant growing processes had already been restored **92 days** before the exiting of the ark. (Chronology-Bible Knowledge Comm.-Old Test.-p39) There was food enough to allow the territory around the ark landing spot to be rapidly reoccupied by all the small and large species on the ark, for all to "be fruitful, and multiply" (8:17 & 9:1), and replenish the local land as it was at the completion of the creation.

Therefore, the better translation of Genesis 7:11 is:

... all the springs/wells [H4599] of the great deep (seas) [H7227 H8415]

were cleaved (broken up, split, divided) [H1234] , and the windows of the sky were opened.

The simple translations in the form "of the great deep broken up" are acceptable and preferable as long as the reader understands that it is the deep bodies of waters on the surface of the earth that are broken up by impact fragments of a comet that appeared to come from the Pleiades constellation ! All those that have underground waters that burst open/forth/through, or gush up, or erupt are unacceptable !!

The extent of the flood!

Albert Barnes in his "Notes on the Bible" comments on 7:19 concerning the extent of the flood;

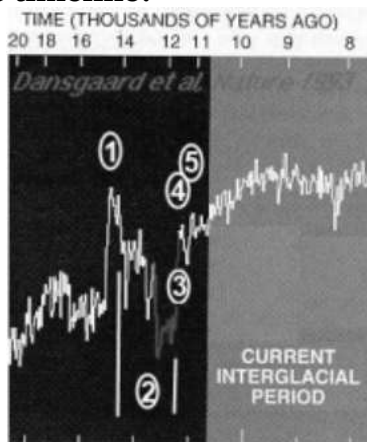
"Upon the land. - The land is to be understood of the portion of the earth's surface known to man. This, with an unknown margin beyond it, was covered with the waters. But this is all that Scripture warrants us to assert. ... "All the high hills were covered." Not a hill was above water within the horizon of the spectator or of man. ..." . "Local tradition states that Nakhchivan (Azerbaijan city in the Aras river valley) was founded by Noah after the Flood, and was his place of death and burial" (Wikipedia-Nakhchivan)



Noah in his reed covered ark was floating on an extremely flooded Aras/Araxes river and the landing spot was somewhere in that river valley. [The Aras/Araxes river being the river Gihon of Eden.]

Gen 7:19 The waters prevailed exceedingly on the land. All the high hills that were under all the visible sky were covered. (KJVMOD)

Here is the timeline!



- (1) Garden Planted
- (2) Curse of the Ground
- (3) Flood
- (4) Covenant with Noah
- (5) Confusion of the Languages

(4) " about 11,400 years ago, things suddenly warmed up again, and the earliest agricultural villages were established in the Middle East."

(The Great Climate Flip-Flop by W.H. Calvin)

Gen 8:22 Never again, as long as the earth exists, will sowing and harvest, cold and night, summer and winter, and day and night ever cease." (ISV)

(5) "A family tree of Indo-European languages suggests they began to spread and split about 9,000 years ago. Around this time, farming techniques began to spread out of Anatolia, now Turkey, across Europe and Asia..." (Language tree rooted in Turkey-Whitfield)

Gen 1:11 ... There the LORD confused the language of all the land, and from there the Lord scattered them over the surface of the earth.

(2) Notice at about 14,000 BP temperature drops, the start of the curse !

Accuracy