In the Beginning

Studies in the Book of Genesis

WEEK TEN - FLOOD PART TWO GENESIS 6-9

Genesis 6:17-7:4

v 19-20 Every living thing

v 21 Food for everybody

7:2-3 Distinction of clean and unclean animals and birds

Clarification: Consensus is 1 pair for most critters 7 pair for clean critters

Considerations:

- 16-35 Thousand (individual) animals
- No scriptural exclusion of land-based dinosaurs (6:19-20, 7:2-3)
- Job's Behemoth (40-15-24) and Leviathan (41:1-34)
- Animal migration to the ark assumed, but not scripturally specified
- Animal hibernation assumed, but not scripturally specified
- Massive animals (dinosaurs, elephants) did not need to be full-sized adults
- Space available Handout HowManyAnimals.docx

Genesis 7:1-10 One week loading critters (CF 6:3 120 years of warning)

Genesis 7:11-16 Rain starts with everybody inside – animals loaded in preceding 7 days, the rain starting once the animals and people were in, and the door closed.

Note 7:16 Jehovah shut the door – no late-comers, otherwise no purpose to state

Two sources of Water

- Fountains of the abyss
- Floodgates of heaven (canopy assumed)

Genesis 7:17-24 Rising waters, destruction

Note 7:12 Rain 40 days and nights, 7:24 water rising peaks at 150 days, over a year before they get out!

- Assumption is tectonics plates breaking up and erupting water
- Normal volcanic eruption is 70% steam (AnswersinGenesis.org)
- Assumption is tectonic movements opening deep-sea basins for water to recede to.

NEXT WEEK: FLOOD – CONTINUES GENESIS 7-9