

# THE WORLDWIDE FLOOD

GENESIS 7:17-21, 9:11, 9:16

## LEARN THE WORD

**John 10:9**

*I am the door. If anyone enters by Me, he will be saved and will go in and out and find pasture.*

- The Genesis Flood was global—ALL the mountains were covered, the Ark was huge, the Bible says ALL the animals and people not on the Ark died, and fossils are found all over the world.
- God made a promise never to flood the earth again. The rainbow is the sign of God's promise.

**WHAT  
YOU  
HEARD  
IN THE WORD**

## OUTWORD FOR FAMILY DISCUSSION

Suppose you and your friend are at a museum. Your friend sees a fossil and says, "Look! This one is 4 million years old! That is amazing!"?

**What could you say?**

*That can't be 4 million years old! Nothing is 4 million years old, because the Bible tells us that the earth is just about 6,000 years old. And I know that most of the fossils found today—and probably this one—were formed during the worldwide Flood of Noah's day. Think about it. If a plant or animal just dies and falls to the ground or into water, it quickly falls apart or gets eaten by another animal. But the global Flood described in Genesis caused just the right conditions to bury and protect creatures quickly—so they wouldn't fall apart or get eaten. And then many of them became fossils. According to God's Word, that Flood was just about 4,300 years ago. I'm thinking that fossil can't be older than that!*

**Activity:** How do we know the Flood was global? Next to each statement, circle the letter under the kind of evidence it is—biblical, logical, or scientific. Use the letters circled for each answer to complete the statement below.

|   | BIBLICAL EVIDENCE | LOGICAL CONFIRMATION | SCIENTIFIC CONFIRMATION |
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| 1 Genesis 7:20 "The waters prevailed above the mountains, covering them fifteen cubits deep."   | G                 | F                    | P                       |
| 2 If the flood were local, why couldn't God send Noah, his family, and the animals to a new location, somewhere the flood wouldn't reach? Then Noah wouldn't have needed to build the Ark at all.                       | T                 | L                    | E                       |
| 3 Genesis 7:21 "And all flesh died that moved on the earth, birds, livestock, beasts, all swarming creatures that swarm on the earth, and all mankind." Would a local flood kill all life not in the Ark?               | O                 | N                    | U                       |
| 4 If there really were a worldwide Flood, what would we expect to find? Billions of dead things buried in rock layers laid down by water all over the earth. And that's what we find. Fossils confirm the global Flood. | C                 | Y                    | B                       |
| 5 Genesis 9:11 "I establish my covenant with you, that never again shall all flesh be cut off by the waters of the flood, and never again shall there be a flood to destroy the earth."                                 | A                 | H                    | R                       |
| 6 Genesis 9:16 tells us that God placed a rainbow in the sky as a reminder of His everlasting covenant with Noah. We can be sure that God will be faithful to His promises.   | L                 | S                    | I                       |

Noah's Flood was                                           .  
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**HOMEWORD**  
FOR PARENTS

We know that the Flood of Noah's day was global. However, this is a fact that is being denied frequently by secularists and some Christians. A clear look at Scripture and a steadfast commitment to biblical authority shows us the truth. Consider the following:

- God said it covered the whole world in Genesis 7—it "prevailed" over the earth.
- God said that all the mountains were covered; how could that happen in a local flood?
- Noah would not have had to build an Ark at all, much less one this huge, if he could have just moved away from a local flood.
- The animals and birds would have fled from Noah (to escape the coming flood) rather than come to him.
- The rock layers we see today are the result of a catastrophic Flood over the entire world.
- The Flood provided perfect conditions for animals and plants to be killed and quickly covered in order to become fossils. Fossils are found all around the world—even on mountaintops!
- The covenant God made promises that there will never be another global flood. It would not make sense if that meant local floods since we have had many local floods since then.