

# NOAH'S ARK

## I. FLOOD WAS REAL!

- A. Has long been atheist's Favorite object of ridicule.
- B. Effected attitude: Cf. Santa Claus, Tooth Fairy. SMU Prof. (3).
- C. 14 references to flood in NT; Cf. Matt.24:37 (2); IIPet.3 5-6.
- D. Flood traditions unexplainable apart from common experience.

Anthropologists have collected at least  
 59 Flood legends from the aborigines of North America,  
 46 from Central and South America,  
 31 from Europe,  
 17 from the Middle East,  
 23 from Asia, and  
 37 from the South Sea Islands and Australia.

James A. Strickling, "A Statistical Analysis of Flood Legends,"  
 CRSQ, vol.9, no. 3 (Dec. 1972), pp. 152-155

- E. Sea shells on mountain tops around world. (Mt.Nebo)

## II. WAS UNIVERSAL!

- A. Genesis Description, 30 universal terms (Moses to *Israel*).
  - 1. Gen.6:13, "all flesh....with earth".
  - 2. Gen.7:19, 21, 23, "all", "every", "only".
- B. All men and animals in one valley? (2000+ yrs.)
  - 1. If one animal got out of "valley," one bird over hill, God lied.
  - 2. Formula predicting population from growth rate,  $P=P_0E^{rt}$ .  
 According to college text, *Pre-Calculus Mathematics*.  
 Present growth rate, 2%. Using conservative rate of .9%,  
 2 people plus 2500 yrs.= world population of 6 Billion.  
 (Josephus said that Adam and Eve had 33 sons and 23 daughters.)
  - 3. Gen.6:11, "earth *filled* with violence".
- C. Rainbow covenant, Gen.9:15.

## III. "ALL THOSE ANIMALS?"

- A. One Million Species.
- B. 75K *maximum* total on the ark. (7)

### HOW MANY LAND ANIMALS?

(Mammals, Reptiles, Amphibians, Birds)			
17,550 "SPECIES"		5,000 "KINDS"	
$\times 2$		$\times 2$	
35,000	Animals	10,000	Animals
+100%	Extinct	+100%	Extinct
70,000	Regular	20,000	Regular
+5,000	Clean	+1,000	Clean
75,000	Total	21,000	Total

- 1. Idea of size from Fisher-Price, Picture; W/Dinosaurs.
- 2. "Trackways found this year in South Korea show the marks of scores of tiny, milling brontosaurus the size of calves."  
*Newsweek*, 10/28/91, p.53
- 2. Plesiosaur; Sketch, Drawing, Stamp; Newspaper; Quote Molele-Mebembo; Sir George & Dragon; Marco Polo North American Indians: Petroglyphs(2).  
 Peru (3); Mexico.

## C. Ark's Capacity.

### ARK'S CAPACITY

@21" Per Cubit  
 525' long Well Over Approximately  
 87.5' wide Two Million 750  
 52.5' high Cubit Feet Railcars  
 @240 Sheep Per Car

### 180,000 ANIMALS

## D. Conclusion

### ASSUMING:

- 1. Kind = "Species"
- 2. Splitter's Estimate
- 3. Double For Extinction
- 4. Double Average Size

75,000 Animals To Be Carried  
 (180,000 Animals Could Be Carried)

### All Animals Accommodated

In 42% of Ark Capacity w/Kinds, 12%.

## IV. COULD IT STILL BE THERE?

- A. **Implications Staggering.** (Cf. 3500 year old Egyptian boat)  
 Would revolutionize virtually all disciplines.  
 Geology (Physical & Historical); Anthropology; Archeology;  
 Zoology; Biology; Humanities, History, Sociology, Religion.
- B. **"Just go look and see",** Picture of Mountain
  - 1. Political Problems, Map
  - 2. Physical Problems (500 sq. miles):  
 Hwy to Ararat; Kurds; Wolf dogs (bears, lions).  
 Unconsolidated(2); Ice Climbing; Crevice(2).
- C. **Reported Sightings** (34 generally consistent)
  - 1. Ancient Writings (Berosthus, Josephus)
  - 2. Georgie Hagipanian (W/Alfred Lee) 1908 & 1910, W/Uncle
  - 3. Russian Soldiers 1916-17; 2 escaped w/photo  
 Sketch by Dave GuMaer (1970) from Arutumoff.
  - 4. George Green, 1954, Oil Geol. Photos, Murdered.
  - 5. Ed Davis, Don Shockey & Don Patton; Drawing.
    - a. Satellite spectro-analysis sees under ice.
    - b. '90 Helicopter over flight (3). Hanging over.
- D. **Present Efforts To Verify** (View of Mt.)
  - 1. Permanent lease *has been acquired* for aprox. 500 sq. miles.
  - 2. Expedition planned to board, photograph, measure, etc.

## CONCLUSION

- 1. Flood says, "Sin is serious; God will judge.", II Pet.3:5, 10.
- 2. Ark says, "God is merciful", I Pet.3:20 (2); 21 (2).
- 3. Those who refused mercy were judged. Body of Christ, type of A
- 4. Do not refuse God's final offer of mercy.