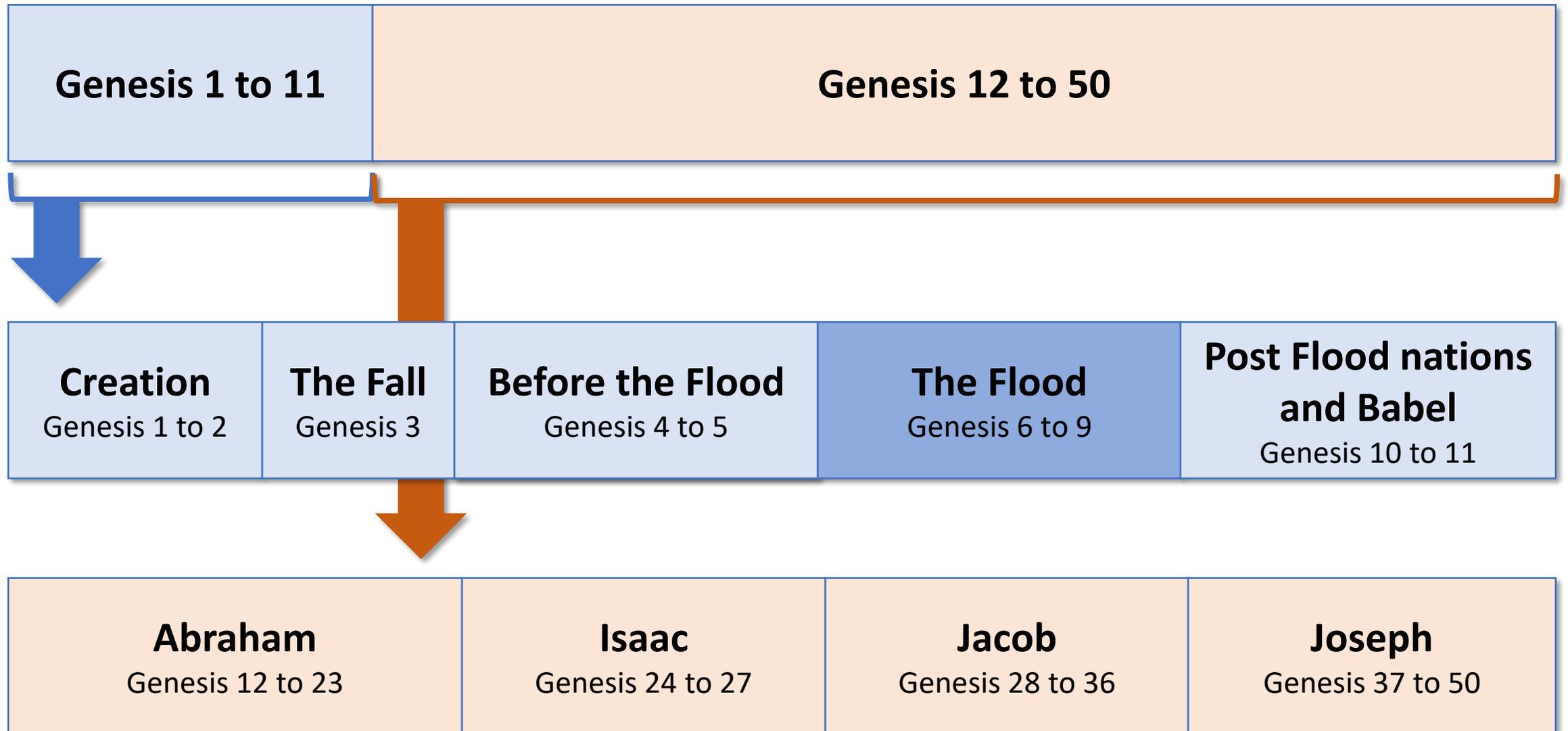


Genesis

The Book of Beginnings

5. The flood

An outline of the Book of Genesis *



* Approximate chapter divisions only

The world becomes more corrupt...

The LORD saw that the wickedness of man was great in the earth, and that every intention of the thoughts of his heart was **only evil continually**.

And **the LORD regretted that He had made man** on the earth, and **it grieved Him to His heart**.

But Noah found favour in the eyes of the LORD.

(Genesis 6:5-6, 8)

But Noah found favour in the eyes of the LORD

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The 4th section of Genesis

These are the generations of Noah.

Noah was a righteous man,
blameless in his generation.

Noah walked with God.

And Noah had three sons,
Shem, Ham, and Japheth.

(Genesis 6:9)

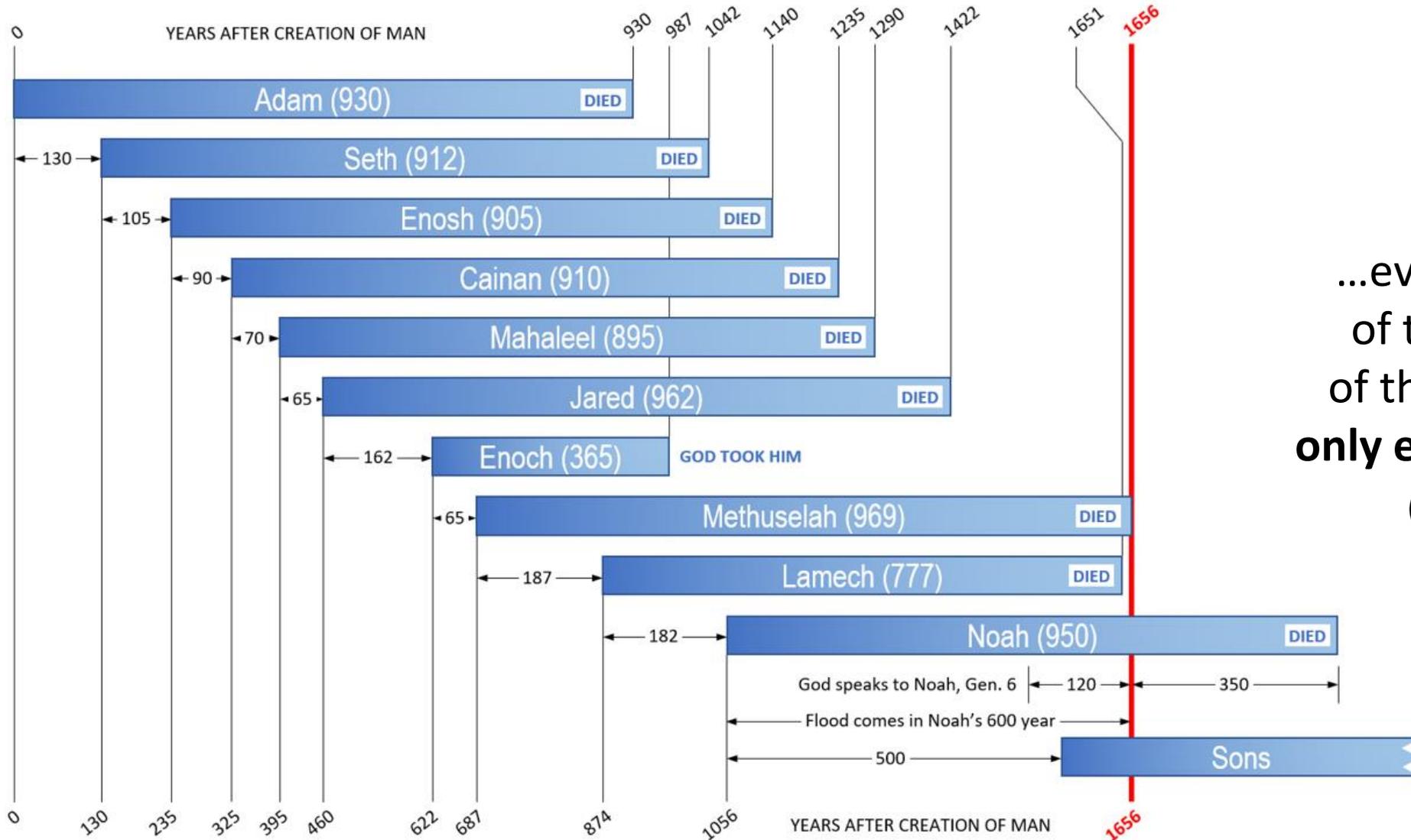
Shem was 100 years old,
and begot Arphaxad
2 years after the flood.
(Genesis 11:10)

Noah was 500 years old,
and Noah begot
Shem, Ham, and Japheth.
(Genesis 5:32)

Creation

The flood

Abraham



...every intention
of the thoughts
of their heart was
only evil continually.

(Genesis 6:5)

Genesis chapter 6 to chapter 9

- **The end of all flesh...**
- **The flood and the ark**
- **But what does it mean for me?**

The end of all flesh...

Now the earth was corrupt in God's sight,
and **the earth was filled with violence.**

And God saw the earth, and behold, it was corrupt,
for **all flesh had corrupted their way** on the earth.

And God said to Noah,

*"I have determined to make an end of all flesh,
for the earth is filled with violence through them.*

Behold, I will destroy them with the earth."

(Genesis 6:11-13)

Hebrew:
*The end of
all flesh
has come
before Me*

The end of all flesh...

Behold, I will destroy them with the earth.

And **the LORD regretted** that He had made man
on the earth, and **it grieved Him to His heart.**

(Genesis 6:6)

The end of all flesh...

“Shall not the Judge of all the earth do what is just?”
(Genesis 18:25)

Genesis chapter 6 to chapter 9

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The flood and the ark

Make yourself an ark of gopher wood.

Make rooms in the ark, and cover it
inside and out with pitch.”

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(Genesis 6:14)

“And of every living thing of all flesh,
you shall bring **two of every sort** into the ark
to keep them alive with you.
They shall be male and female.

“Of the birds **according to their kinds**,
and of the animals **according to their kinds**,
of every creeping thing of the ground, **according to its kind**,
two of every sort shall come in to you to keep them alive.”

(Genesis 6:19-20)

Take with you **seven pairs**
of all **clean** animals,
the male and his female...

(Genesis 7:2)

The flood and the ark

**Noah did this;
he did all that God commanded him.**
(Genesis 6:22)

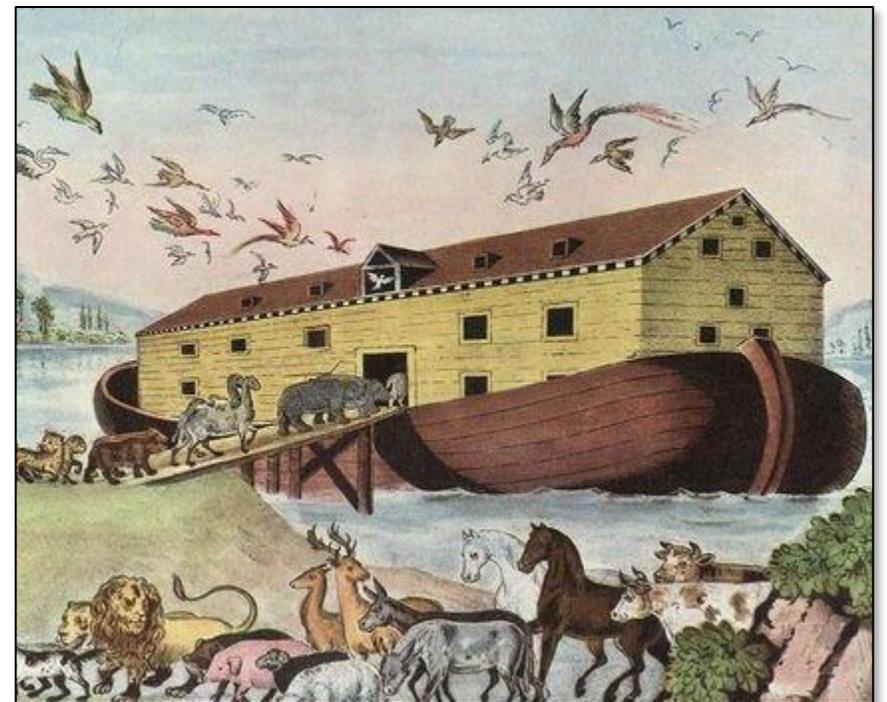
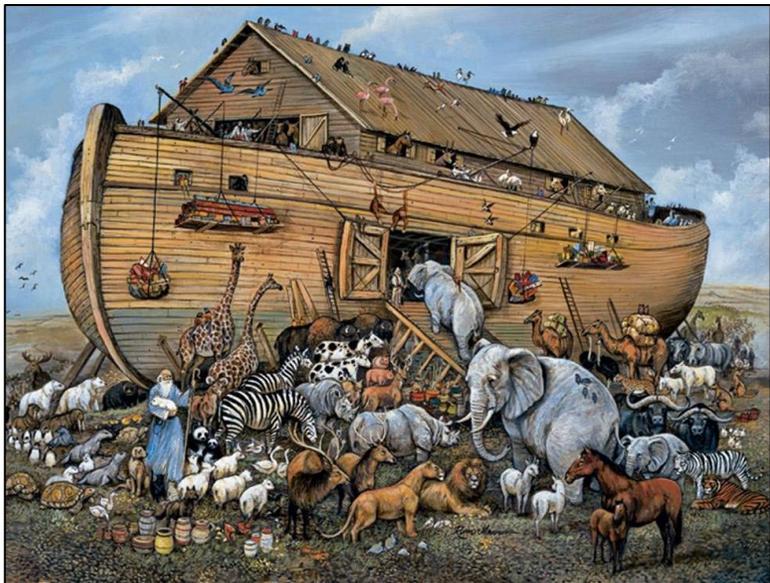
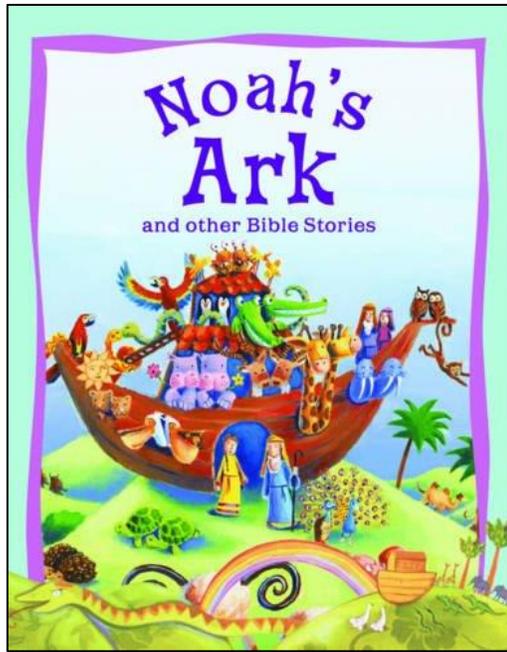
They went into the ark with Noah,
two and two of all flesh
in which there was **the breath of life.**

...

And the LORD shut him in.
(Genesis 7:15-16)

The flood and the ark

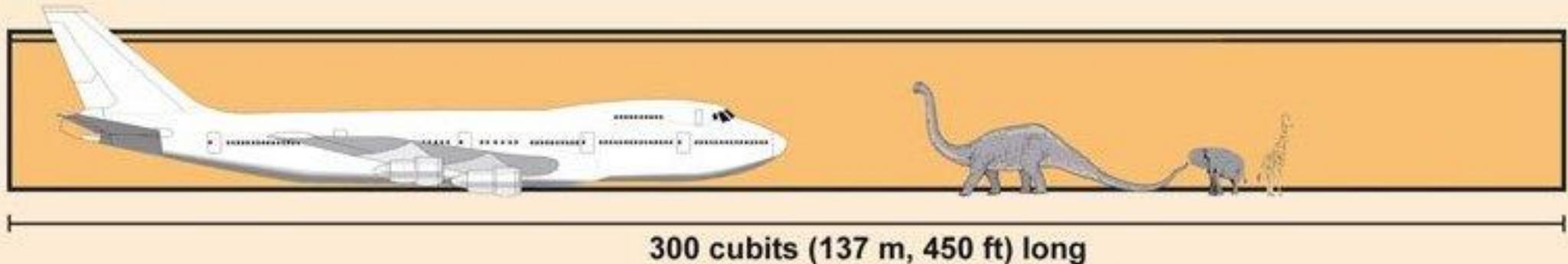
Make yourself an ark of gopher wood...



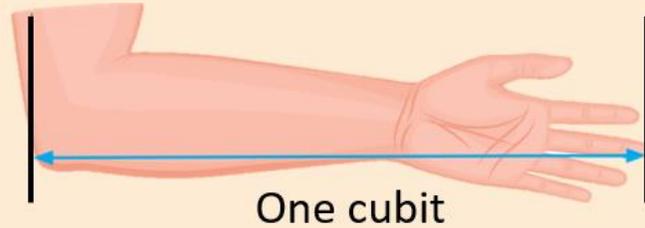
How big was the ark?

“This is how you are to make it: the length of the ark **300 cubits**, its breadth **50 cubits**, and its height **30 cubits**. Make a roof for the ark, and finish it to a cubit above, and set the door of the ark in its side. Make it with lower, second, and third decks.

(Genesis 6:15-16)



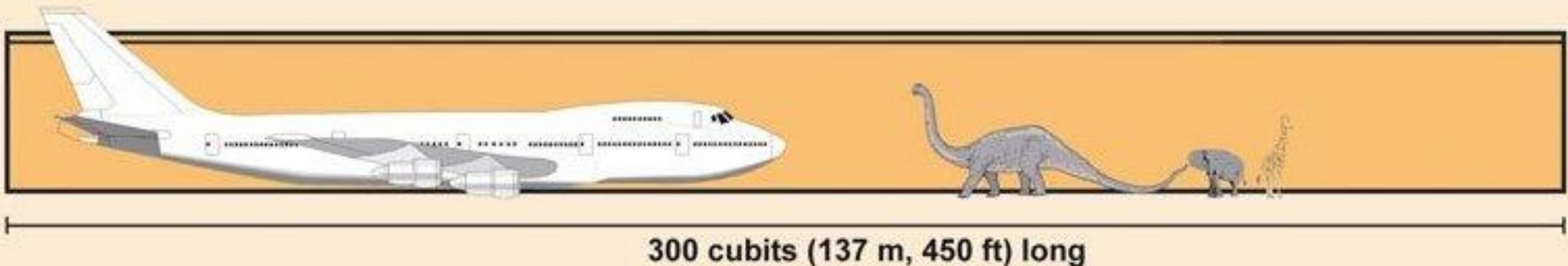
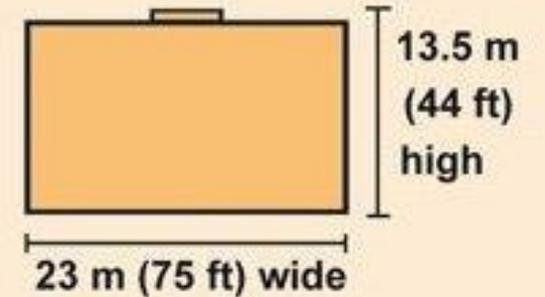
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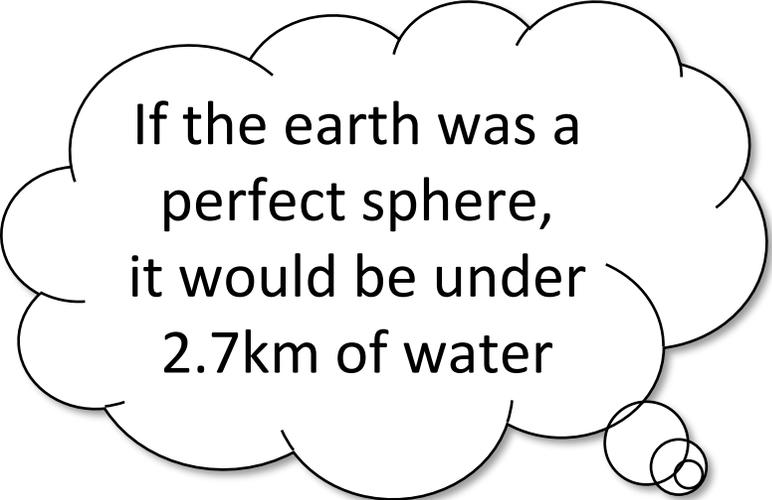
'Cubit' comes from Latin *cubitum* = 'elbow'.
A typical cubit was 46 cm, large ones 53 cm.

The floor area was about 19,000 m².

The volume of the ark was about 44,400 m³.



Where did the water come from?



If the earth was a perfect sphere, it would be under 2.7km of water

In the 600th year of Noah's life, in the 2nd month, on the 17th day of the month, on that day

- all the **fountains of the great deep burst forth**, and
- the **windows of the heavens** were opened.

And rain fell upon the earth 40 days and 40 nights.

(Genesis 7:11-12)



Where did the water go?

And God made a wind blow over the earth,
and the waters subsided.

The fountains of the deep and
the windows of the heavens were closed,
the rain from the heavens was restrained, and
the waters receded from the earth continually.

(Genesis 8:1-3)

The mountains rose, the valleys sank down
to the place that you appointed for them.
You set a boundary that they may not pass,
so that they might not again cover the earth.

(Psalm 104:8-9)

The waters

How long did the flood last? (See Genesis 7:11 to 8:16)

“All the fountains of the great deep burst forth, and the windows of the heavens were opened”

7 days
↓
40 days of rain

“The fountains of the deep and the windows of the heavens were closed”



“In the 10th month, on the 1st day of the month, the tops of the mountains were seen”



40 days
7 days 7 days 7 days

“In the 601st year, the 1st month, the 1st day of the month, **the waters were dried** from off the earth”



Raven and dove sent out

In the 600th year, the 2nd month, on the 17th day of the month



The waters prevailed on the earth 150 days



“In the 7th month, on the 17th day of the month, **the ark rested** on the mountains of Ararat”

At the end of 150 days the waters had abated/decreased



In the 601st year, the 2nd month, on the 27th day of the month
“Go out from the ark”



Time in the ark: 1 year and 10 days

Many more questions...

- The flood traditions in many cultures?
- The design details of the ark?
- The many different ethnic groups?
- The many species of living things?
- Geological evidence for the flood?
- Continental drift?
- The evidence of ice ages?
- And so on...

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But what does it mean for me?

What do you see?

JUDGEMENT or SALVATION

But what does it mean for me?

“Where is the promise of His coming? For ever since the fathers fell asleep, all things are continuing as they were from the beginning of creation.”

For they deliberately overlook this fact, that the heavens existed long ago, and the earth was formed out of water and through water **by the word of God**, and that by means of these **the world that then existed was deluged with water and perished.**

But **by the same word** the heavens and earth that now exist are stored up for fire, **being kept until the day of judgment and destruction of the ungodly.**

(2 Peter 3:4-7)

But what does it mean for me?

*“For as were **the days of Noah**,
so will be **the coming of the Son of Man**.*

*For as in those days before the flood
they were eating and drinking,
marrying and giving in marriage,
until the day when Noah entered the ark,
and **they were unaware** until
the flood came and swept them all away,*

Luke 12:40

so will be the coming of the Son of Man.”

(Matthew 24:37-39)

But what does it mean for me?

...when God's patience waited
in the days of Noah,
while the ark was being prepared,
in which a few, that is, eight persons,
were brought safely through water.

Faith in
the resurrection
of the Lord Jesus

Baptism, which corresponds to this, now saves you,
not as a removal of dirt from the body
but as **an appeal to God for a good conscience**,
through the resurrection of Jesus Christ...

(1 Peter 3:20-21)

But what does it mean for me?



What do you see?

JUDGEMENT and **SALVATION**

But what does it mean for me?

Noah walked with God.