

AFTER THE DELUGE
(Genesis 8:1-22)

- I. Some General Observations
 - A. All previous PHYSICAL features had been DESTROYED
 - B. ERODED materials had been re-deposited in LAYERS
 - C. CHANGES in the Post-Diluvian World
 - 1. OCEANS far MORE extensive
 - 2. LAND AREAS much LESS extensive
 - 3. Strong TEMPERATURE differentials
 - 4. Topography more RUGGED
 - 5. Environment much less HOSPITABLE
 - a. Harsh WEATHER
 - b. Harmful RADIATION from space
 - c. Entered brief ICE AGE
 - 6. Crust of the earth far LESS STABLE
 - 7. Land mostly BARREN of VEGETATION
- II. God “REMEMBERED” Noah (8:1-2)
 - A. God caused a WIND to pass over the earth

- B. God STOPPED the FOUNTAINS of the DEEP
 - C. God CLOSED the FLOODGATES of the SKY
 - D. God restructured the earth's SURFACE to accommodate the WATER (cf. Ps. 104:6-9)
- III. The Ark "RESTED": It "CEASED its LABOR" (8:3-4)
- A. Waters DRAINED QUICKLY
 - B. Ararat range evidently FORMED under GREAT DEPTHS of WATER
- IV. Noah WAITED for SEVEN MONTHS While the Earth DRIED (8:5-13)
- A. Waters "DECREASED STEADILY"
 - B. "Removed the COVERING" on day 314
- V. Noah LEFT the Ark on Day 371/378 (8:14-22)
- A. Noah built an ALTAR (8:20)
 - 1. For PROPITIATION and for PRAISE
 - 2. Demonstrated GREAT FAITH
 - B. God ACCEPTED Noah's SACRIFICE (8:21)
 - 1. He promised not to INCREASE the CURSE
 - 2. He promised GRACE in spite of man's SIN
 - C. God instituted a NEW WORLD ORDER (8:22)
 - 1. Begins the cycle of SEASONS
 - 2. Promises it will remain UNIFORM