Does Science Prove Noah's flood?

Evidence of flood hydroplate theory cited to support biblical account

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For decades, science books in America's schools have taught that the earth is billions of years old, with the Big Bang bursting through the universe some 14.3 billion years ago. They teach children that bacteria has been around a billion years or so and that the "Precambrian Explosion" some 500 million years ago launched some of the earliest forms of life.

But what if the evidence doesn't support that? What if scientific observation suggests that the Bible's literal account of thousands of years is right?

That is the position of Walt Brown, director of the Center for Scientific Creation in Phoenix.

His own scientific credentials are impressive. He holds a Ph.D. from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology in Mechanical Engineering, is a West Point graduate and a National Science Foundation fellow, served as a tenured associate professor at the U.S. Air Force Academy and was chief of Science and Technology Studies at the Air War College.

His blunt assessment is that some evolutionary explanations would be more relevant at a Star Wars convention than in a science classroom. Pangaea, plate tectonics and asteroids wiping out the dinosaurs might work in state-issued textbooks, but they do not pass the scrutiny of Brown's scientific research.

In the Eighth edition of his book "In the Beginning: Compelling Evidence for Creation and the Flood," Brown presents his hydroplate theory, which unfolds scientific evidence that the earth's present geologic features and fossils were formed around 5,000 years ago — not untold millions or billions of years ago. He asserts that the global flood recorded in Genesis 7 is the mechanism that created the geologic, astronomical and biological phenomena witnessed today...

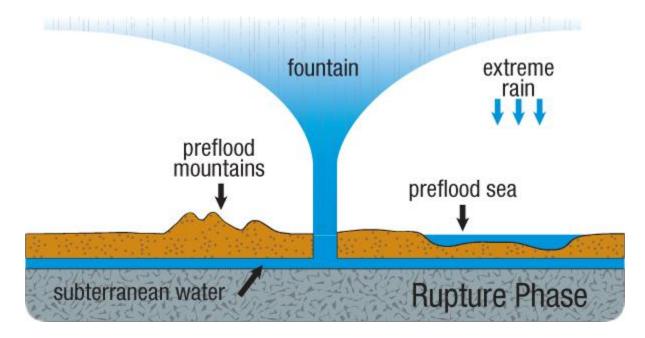
More Water

According to Brown, the earth was an extremely different place before Noah's flood. Oceans were much shallower and mountains much lower. He notes that it is no coincidence that more than 230 flood legends – with many common elements such as a

sole surviving family in a boat – exist from every corner of the earth. In fact, the flood of Noah is the very device that sets Brown's hydroplate theory in motion.

Many skeptics ponder how the entire earth could have been covered in water, especially with many mountain ranges extending miles into the sky. Brown argues that pre-flood oceans contained half their present volume of water and that the Earth's massive mountain ranges were not yet pushed up.

Brown contends that "water depth would be 9,000 feet everywhere" if the earth's surface was completely smooth, easily covering the low-lying mountains that existed at the time of the flood.



Tapping into the scientific validity of the Bible, Brown lets the book of Genesis uncork the source of the floodwaters that reshaped the earth to its present appearance...

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