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the genesis flood

"OK, so maybe the Bible gets Genesis One right and maybe it was more than coincidence, but then it gets all weird by saying there was this big old dopey flood which killed everyone and swept over the whole globe. There is no evidence for that!"

Agreed! Huh?

Some Christians say here, as if evidence is unnecessary, "*the Bible says it, I believe it, that settles it*" - the most hated bumper sticker credo in the Land of Apologetics!!! But if there's been something as calamitous as a global Flood, there really **should** be evidence to back up one's interpretation. Nonbelievers *and believers* have every right to ask for it. But there is no evidence. And yet the Biblical account can still be 100% true. (Huh squared?!) **Let's look closer at Gen 6-9:**

The whole point of the Flood was judgement, judgement on a people that was evil beyond description. When God judges man in the Bible, He may wipe out the **person**, his **kin**, his **things**, his **critters**, and his **land**, but that's it. No need to kill a penguin family in Alaska or a bunny clan in Scotland. In Noah's day, the biblical peoples were confined to the Mesopotamian area, so a biblical judgement would wipe out, why... just the Mesopotamian area! That's it! No need for global destruction! Judgement accomplished!

But the Bible says the whole world! Well, the Hebrew for "world" *far* more often means the lands occupied by man, those known to the writer and his readers. (e.g. Gen 41:54,57)

But the Bible says the high mountains were covered! The Hebrew for "mountains" can also mean something as small as a hill and everything in between. Maybe it's just saying everything in the land was covered.

But where Noah landed, Mt Ararat, it's way high! Noah's ark settled in "the foothills of Ararat," not on the mountain itself.



Noah built a BIG boat, put on it his family and enough animals to replenish the lands once it was all over, and then highwatered it outta there as God flooded the land, killing the other people. Although there is no evidence of a global flood, there is

evidence galore of monstrous regional scary floods.

Was the Genesis Flood literal and true? You betcha squared! "But it was so.. so.. [c'mon, say it] so **cruel!** *Why did he have to kill everyone? What's so loving about that? Why is there evil and suffering and death???*"

Let's see...