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*All Scriptures and comments are based on the **New King James Version**, unless otherwise noted.*

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Trembling at God’s Word

[The Angel of the LORD appeared to Moses] in a flame of fire from the midst of a bush, but the bush was not consumed (**Exodus 3:2**) ... God called to him from the midst of the bush. (**Exodus 3:4**)

When Moses knew he was confronted with the Word of God,

[He] hid his face, for he was afraid to look upon God. (**Exodus 3:6**)

After Moses led Israelites from Egypt to the foot of Mount Sinai,

There were thunderings and lightnings, and a thick cloud on the mountain. (**Exodus 19:16**)

And so terrifying was the sight that Moses said, “I am exceedingly afraid and trembling,” [the Hebrew writer emphasizes]. (**Hebrews 12:21**)

Like a Moses, God wants a person “Who is poor and of a contrite spirit, And who trembles at My word.” (**Isaiah 66:2**)

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**The Flood**

In the Flood in Noah’s day:

The waters prevailed exceedingly on the earth, and all the high hills under the whole heaven were covered ... And all flesh died that moved on the earth: birds and cattle and beasts and every creeping thing that creeps on the earth, and every man. (**Genesis 7:19, 21**)

Only Noah and those who were with him in the ark remained alive (**Genesis 7:23**). With the 8 human souls in the ark, there was:

Every beast after its kind, all cattle after their kind, every creeping thing that creeps on the earth after its kind, and every bird after its kind, every bird of every sort. (**Genesis 7:14**)

The Flood's immense pressure formed diamonds and coal, and the run-off left scars like the Grand Canyon. Every culture since has referred to "The Flood."

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**Local Flood? I Think Not!**

The Flood in Noah's day substantially changed the complexion of our world, as we know it. It was not a "local" flood, for God intended to "destroy from the face of the earth all living things that I have made" (**Genesis 7:7**), and He had "created the heavens and the earth" (**Genesis 1:1**). Before the Flood:

[God] had not caused it to rain on the earth, ... but a mist went up from the earth and watered the whole face of the ground. (**Genesis 2:5-6**)

Animals and plants, and then humans, grew in a virtual "hot house," or prime growing conditions. Since the Flood, God decreed that we have seasons: "Seedtime and harvest...Winter and summer" (**Genesis 8:22**). Peter said,

The world that then existed perished, being flooded with water. (**2 Peter 3:6**)

There was nothing "local" about that flood or its effects.

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**Paul's Gospel Is Not Moses' Law**

Paul reminded Christians that

Even we have believed in Christ Jesus, that we might be justified by faith in Christ and not by the works of the law; for by the works of the law no flesh shall be justified. (**Galatians 2:16**)

Nothing in God's Word separates the Law of Moses into "moral" and "ceremonial" laws. Jesus Christ, Himself, referred to the Old Testament as being "the Law of Moses and the Prophets and the Psalms" (**Luke 24:44**). "The Law of Moses" included the five books written by Moses: **Genesis, Exodus, Leviticus, Numbers, and Deuteronomy** included all the rituals, rules, and righteousness Israelites kept under Moses.

From the 10 Commandments throughout, none of Moses' Law saves today, only the Gospel of Jesus Christ. Jesus has said, "He who believes and is baptized will be saved" (**Mark 16:16**). **Jesus saves, not Moses.**

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**Paul's Unchangeable Gospel**

But I make known to you, brethren, that the gospel which was preached by me is not according to man. (**Galatians 1:11**)

Paul did not preach a "gospel" that was subject to changes. He had warned the Galatians against

... Turning away so soon from Him who called you in the grace of Christ, to a different gospel, which is not another; but there are some who trouble you and want to pervert the gospel of Christ. (**Galatians 1:6-7**)

They were being convinced that changes in Paul's gospel message was just the same, though changes made it entirely "different." Paul had preached they were

... Sons of God through faith in Christ Jesus. For as many of you as were baptized into Christ have put on Christ. (**Galatians 3:26-27**)

Offering salvation before baptism "into Christ" means "Christ died in vain."  
(**Galatians 2:21**)

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