

ARK-ti-facts

- “Ark” is from the Hebrew word meaning “Box” or “Basket.” (Same word used in the story of Moses in the basket on the Nile River).
- The length of the ark was equal to one and one-half football fields.
- God was the designer (architect) and Noah and his three sons were the builders.
- According to Genesis 6:14-16:
 - The building material was to be gopher wood.
 - The ark was to be waterproofed by sealing the boards both inside and outside—with pitch. The Hebrew word for “pitch” (kopher) is the same word for ATONEMENT. It means cover.
 - The ark was of enormous size
 - Length 300 cubits 150 yards 450 feet
 - Width 50 cubits 25 yards 75 feet
 - Height 30 cubits 15 yards 45 feet
 - The ark was to have only one window and that located one cubit from the top of the ark.
 - The ark was to have only one door.
 - The ark was to have 3 decks (stories).
 - The ark was to have separate rooms.

- The ark was exactly six times longer than its width—the same ration used by modern shipbuilders.
- Acts 7:22 — “And Moses was learned in all the wisdom of the Egyptians . . .” The Egyptian cubit was 20.62 inches. Moses wrote Genesis. Using the Egyptian cubit, the ark would have been over 500 feet long.
- Some have calculated that there was room in the ark for 7,000 species of animals.
- The ark floated some 500 miles or more before it came to rest on the mountains of Ararat.

CONCERNING NOAH

- Noah was the
 - Son of Lamech
 - Grandson of Methuselah
 - Great grandson of Enoch
- A Babylonian tradition says Noah’s home was at Fara, on the Euphrates River.
- Fara is about 70 miles from the site thought to have been the garden of Eden.
- Noah was 600 years old at the time of the great Flood.
- Noah lived another 350 years after the Flood.
- Noah died at the age of 950 years.