



In *Genesis 9:16*_{NLT} God says, "When I see the rainbow in the clouds, I will remember the eternal covenant between God and every living creature on earth."

The 1st Rainbow

Sabbath

Have you ever wondered where some of our amazing natural landscapes came from?



Iguazu Falls, Argentina



Ha Long Bay, Vietnam



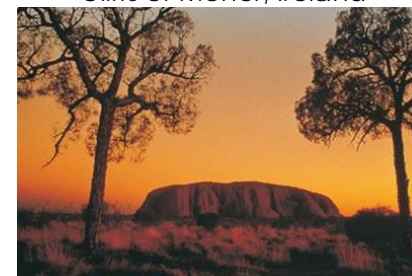
Grand Canyon, USA



Cliffs of Moher, Ireland



The Matterhorn, Switzerland



Uluru Australia

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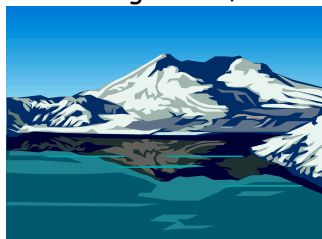
Refer: Gen 8; 9:1-17 NLT; *Patriarchs and Prophets* p105-110; *The Bible Story* vol1 p116-123; *My Bible Friends* book 8

Sunday

The earth had become so wicked that God destroyed it with the great flood. Only Noah and his family, and the animals were safe in the ark. The rain finally stopped and God sent a wind to blow across the earth; the ground began to dry as the water started collecting in the sea. It was 150 days - exactly five months from the time the flood began, when the boat came to rest on the mountains of Ararat.

Two and a half months later, as the waters continued to go down, other mountain peaks became visible.

Noah waited another forty days and then released a bird, a raven which flew back and forth above the water.



Then Noah released a dove, but it returned to the boat. After waiting another week, Noah released the dove again. This time it came back with a fresh olive leaf in its beak; Noah knew that the floodwaters were almost gone. He waited another week and then released the dove again and this time it did not come back. So Noah took part of the roof from the ark and saw that the ground was drying. Two more months went by before God told Noah it was time to leave the ark. Then Noah, his wife, his sons and their wives, and all of the animals and birds came out of the boat.

Noah built an altar and made a sacrifice to

God.

God blessed Noah and his family and told them to have children and fill the earth.

God said, "I will never again destroy all living things, even if all they do is evil. I am giving you the rainbow as a sign of my covenant or promise with you and with all living creatures, for all generations to come."



Friday

The rainbow is a reminder of one of God's promises. Here are some more of God's promises. Find the underlined words in the grid.

Hebrews 13:5^{NLT} – "I will never fail you. I will never abandon you."














Psalm 34:7^{NLT} – For the angel of the Lord is a guard; he surrounds and defends all who fear him.














John 3:16^{NLT} – For God loved the world so much that He gave His one and only Son, so that everyone who believes in Him will not perish but have eternal life.

Isaiah 41:10^{NLT} – Don't A N G E L E L O V E D S B N I
be afraid, for I am with you. Don't be discouraged, for I am your
God. I will strengthen you and help you.

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Have you ever had someone promise something and then they changed it?

												
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There is one person we can trust to never ever break a promise use the code to find who. Malachi 3:6^{NLT}

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Thursday

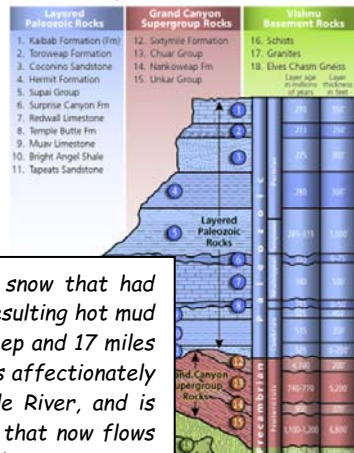
The Grand Canyon in the USA is amazing, not only because of its size, but also because of the amazing layers that are visible in its walls.



The most commonly believed explanation is that each layer represents a different time period, of several million years as shown in the diagram to the right. But Christian scientists who have come up with another explanation –the Grand Canyon was created during the flood.

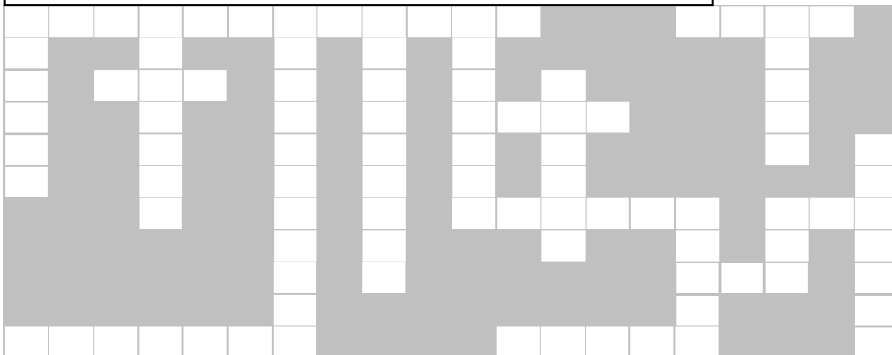
In May 1980, Mt Saint Helens in Washington State, USA, blew its top off in a volcanic eruption; since then, a number of small eruptions have occurred including one in 1982.

Grand Canyon's Three Sets of Rocks



On March 19, 1982 a small eruption melted the snow that had accumulated in the crater over the winter, and a resulting hot mud flow carved a system of canyons up to 140 feet deep and 17 miles long in a single day. The deepest of the canyons has affectionately been called the little Grand Canyon of the Toutle River, and is 1/40th the size of its namesake. The small creek that now flows through the bottom would appear to have carved this canyon over a great length of time, but this unique event has demonstrated that rapid catastrophic processes were instead responsible.

<http://nwcreation.net/mtsthelens.html>



Monday

The world that Noah and his family found after the flood must have been very different to what they were used to. The flood which probably included earthquakes and volcanic eruptions had totally changed the shape of the land, particularly the mountains.

The flood waters were now collecting into the low lying areas forming lakes and seas; washing away loose soil and rocks in the process, creating canyons and valleys.

The people, their houses, towns and cities were gone, buried under tonnes of mud as were the animals that had not been in the ark. Many of the sea creations suffered the same fate as the surface of the earth was ripped up and tossed about in the swirling water.

Only the people and animals in the ark, and the sea creatures that God preserved were left to start again in this new harsh world; a world which, probably for the first time, included hail, snow, cyclones and floods, but a world where people would have their second chance at life.



This photo shows Mountains of Ararat where the Ark landed.

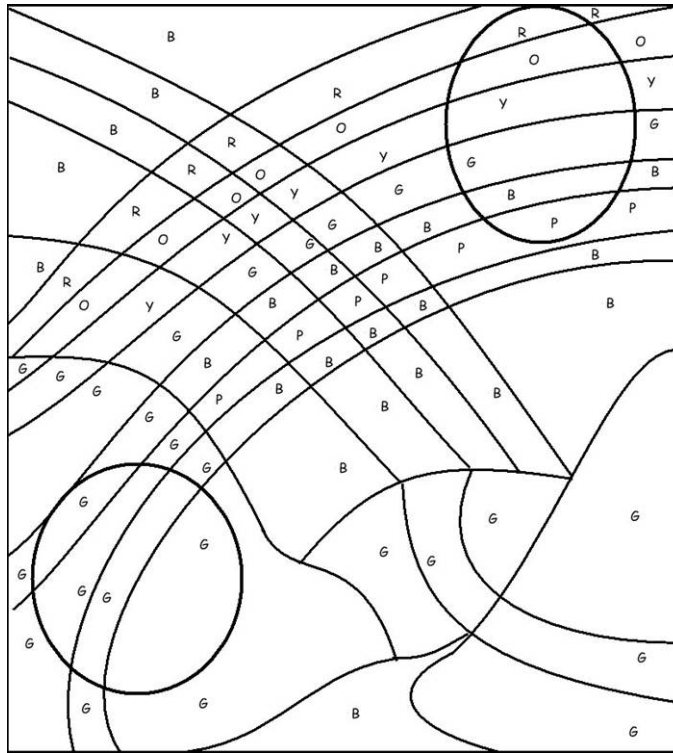
Tuesday

God gave a sign of his promise to Noah.

B = Blue,
R = Red,
G = Green,
O = Orange,
P = Purple,
Y = Yellow

Imagine what it was like for Noah and his family. When they got on the ark, the world was beautiful, with rolling hills and large healthy trees, bushes and plants. Now the earth had jagged, rocky mountain peaks and there was probably lots of mud and dirt and only a few new plants just starting. The world was ugly, barren and nothing like our picture – until they saw the beautiful rainbow.

The rainbow is to remind us of God's promise.



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Wednesday

God was with Noah and his family all the time. Have you ever looked at a globe? If you do, you will notice that most of the big lands are all on one side of the globe and the other side has mostly water.

Can you imagine what would have happened if the ark had landed on some tiny little island? How would the animals and people fitted? Or what if the ark had floated into the middle of the great oceans? Instead, God guided the ark to land on a mountain, right in the middle of the biggest area of land: the perfect place for the people and animals to spread out from.



1. A reminder that God will never flood the whole world
2. A tiny piece of land
3. A giant body of water
4. Water falling from the sky
5. When sections of land move
6. Where the ark landed Genesis 8:4
7. An exploding mountain
8. Another name for a large body of water
9. The name of the boat that kept Noah and his family safe
10. When water covers the land

