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A dramatic scene featuring a whale's tail fluke rising from the churning blue ocean. The sky is dark and filled with rain, creating a sense of intensity and awe. The overall composition is dynamic, with the whale's tail as the central focus against the backdrop of a storm.

**RELEARNING THE ANCIENT BIBLE
STORIES IN A BRAND-NEW WAY**

Noah and the Ark

Genesis chapters 6-9



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Historical Account of the "Great Flood"

Few people disagree about the historical account of a global flood, though there are several theories on why it occurred.

Three popular theories today:

1. Asteroid Theory
2. Volcanic Eruption Theory
3. Plate Tectonic Theory

Genesis Theory – rejection of God by His creation

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Year is about 2500 BC, in the 10th generation of the human race...

Then the LORD [יְהוָה; Yâhweh] saw that the wickedness of man was great on the earth, and that every intent of the thoughts of his heart was only evil continually. The LORD was sorry that He had made man on the earth, and He was grieved in His heart. The LORD said, "I will blot out man whom I have created from the face of the land, from man to animals to creeping things and to birds of the sky; for I am sorry that I have made them." Genesis 6:5-7

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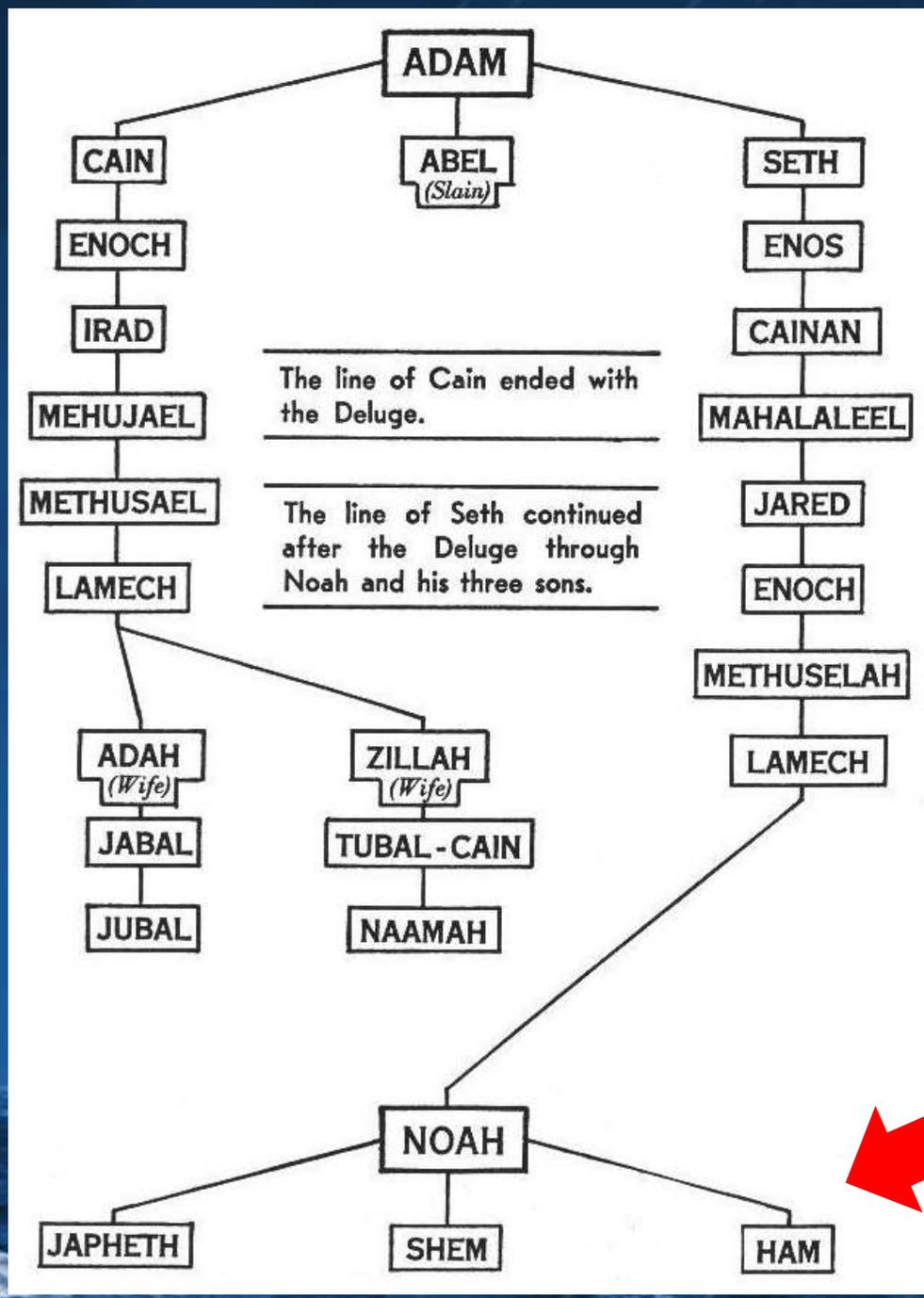
But Noah found favor in the eyes of the LORD. These are the records of the generations of Noah. Noah was a righteous [צַדִּיק tzadik] man, blameless [תָּמִים tameem] in his time; Noah walked with God.

Genesis 6:8-9

Are God's people today distinct from their culture?

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Noah became the father of three sons: Shem, Ham, and Japheth. Genesis 6:10

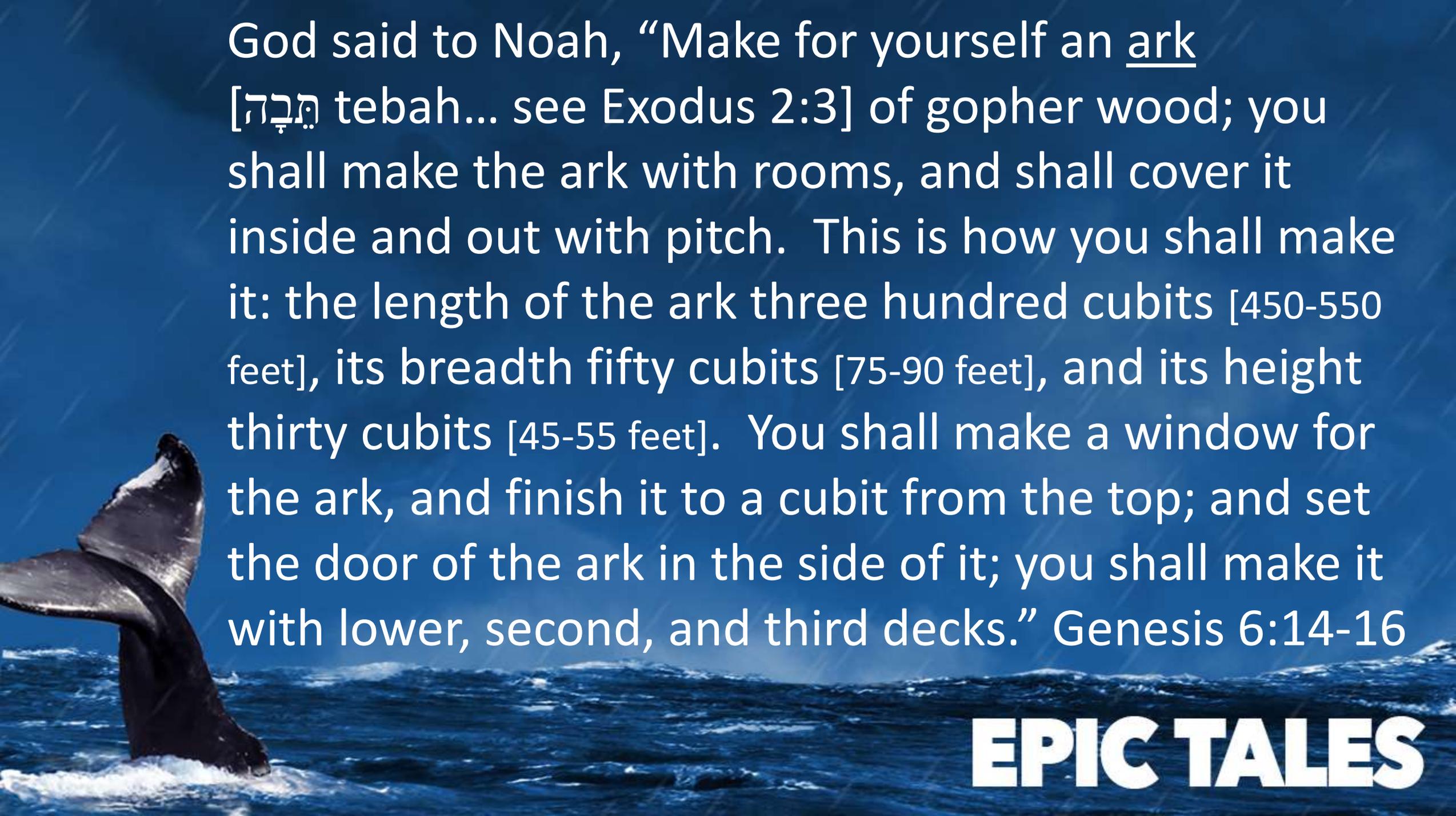


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Now the earth was corrupt in the sight of God,
and the earth was filled with violence. God
looked on the earth, and behold, it was corrupt;
for all flesh had corrupted their way upon the
earth. Then God said to Noah, "The end of all
flesh has come before Me; for the earth is filled
with violence because of them; and behold, I
am about to destroy them with the earth."

Genesis 6:11-13

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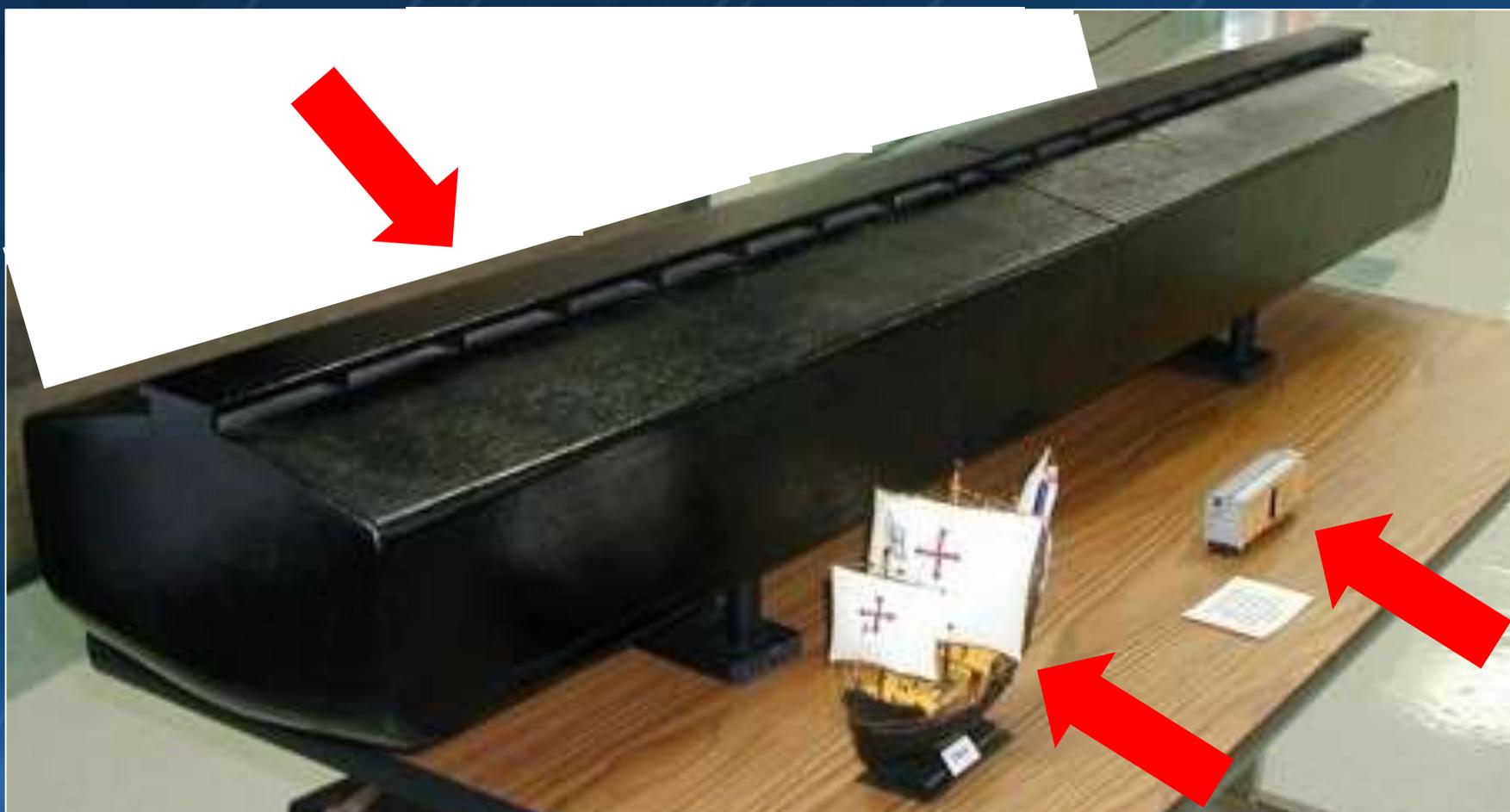
A dramatic scene of a whale's tail fluke breaching the surface of a dark, stormy ocean. The sky is filled with heavy rain, creating a sense of urgency and danger. The whale's tail is dark and sleek, contrasting with the white foam of the waves and the grey rain.

God said to Noah, “Make for yourself an ark [תֵּבָה *tebah*... see Exodus 2:3] of gopher wood; you shall make the ark with rooms, and shall cover it inside and out with pitch. This is how you shall make it: the length of the ark three hundred cubits [450-550 feet], its breadth fifty cubits [75-90 feet], and its height thirty cubits [45-55 feet]. You shall make a window for the ark, and finish it to a cubit from the top; and set the door of the ark in the side of it; you shall make it with lower, second, and third decks.” Genesis 6:14-16

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The replica of Noah's ark shown is 1/75 scale. For comparison purposes, both the railroad stockcar and model of the sailing ship Pinta (one of Columbus' ships) are also at the same 1/75 scale model size.

Photo courtesy of
Arnold Mendez



It was probably the largest vessel of its type built until the late 1800s when metal ships were first constructed. The ark was built on a 1:6 ratio (50 cubits:300 cubits). The science of naval architecture reveals that the most stable ratio for an ocean going vessel is 1:6. All modern day ocean going vessels use this same length to width ratio.

This is a 1/32 scale model of the cross-section of the ark. This shows the interior and the three decks. The inside and outside was coated with pitch. A window was set in the ark 18 inches (one cubit) from the top (Genesis 6:16).



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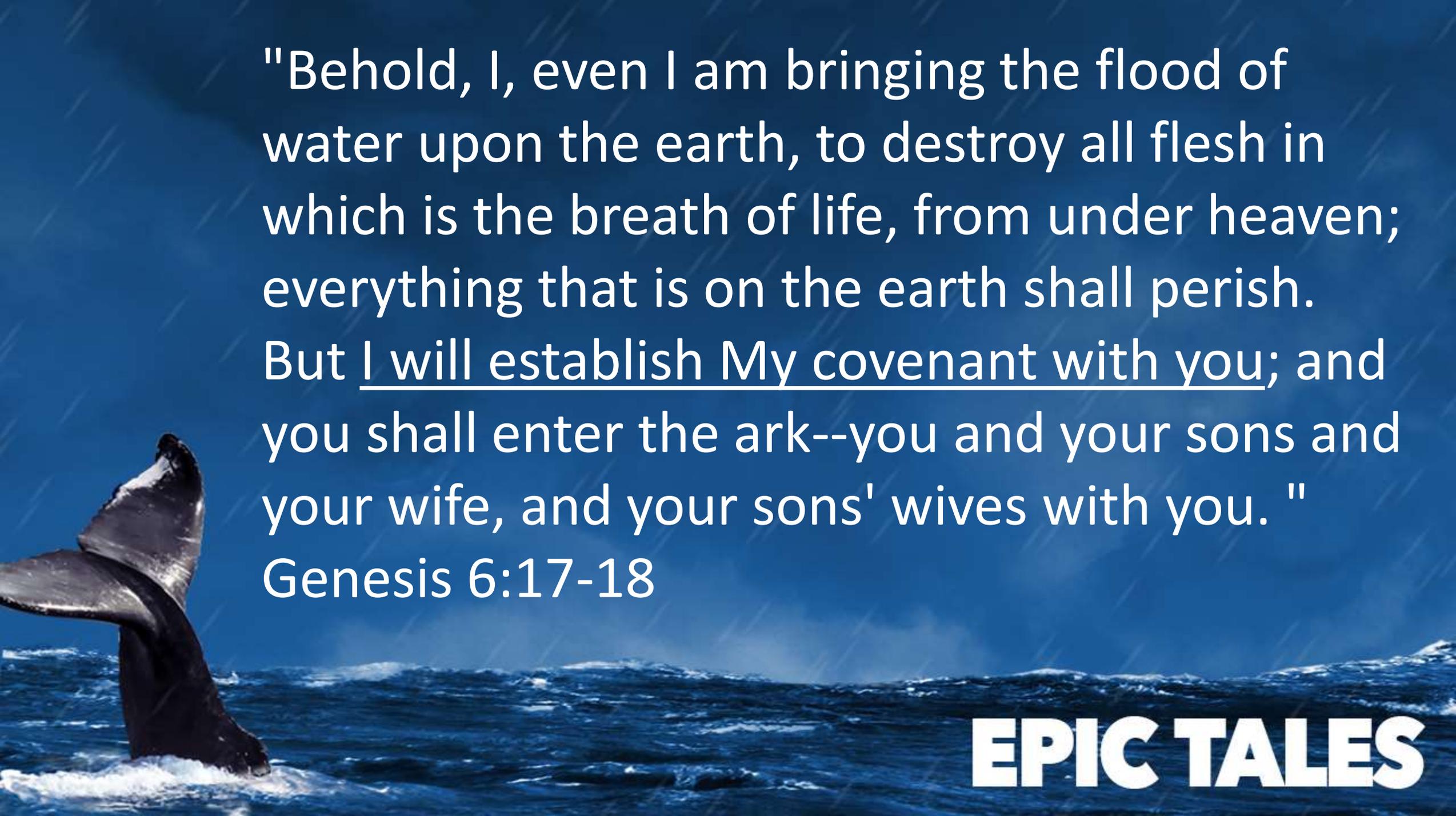
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Was Noah's Ark big enough to hold all the animals?

The average size of all animals is the size of a sheep. One railroad car can carry about 240 sheep. This would mean that all 40,000 animals (very conservative estimate of the total of animals that would have been on the Ark) could fit in 167 railroad cars. The ark's total capacity was 569 stock cars. *The 40,000 animals would require less than 30% of the ark's space.* In other words all the animals could fit on one of the ark's three decks. This would leave the other 70% of the ark's space for Noah's family, food, supplies, and baggage.

Source: Arnold C. Mendez Sr. – Biblestudy.org

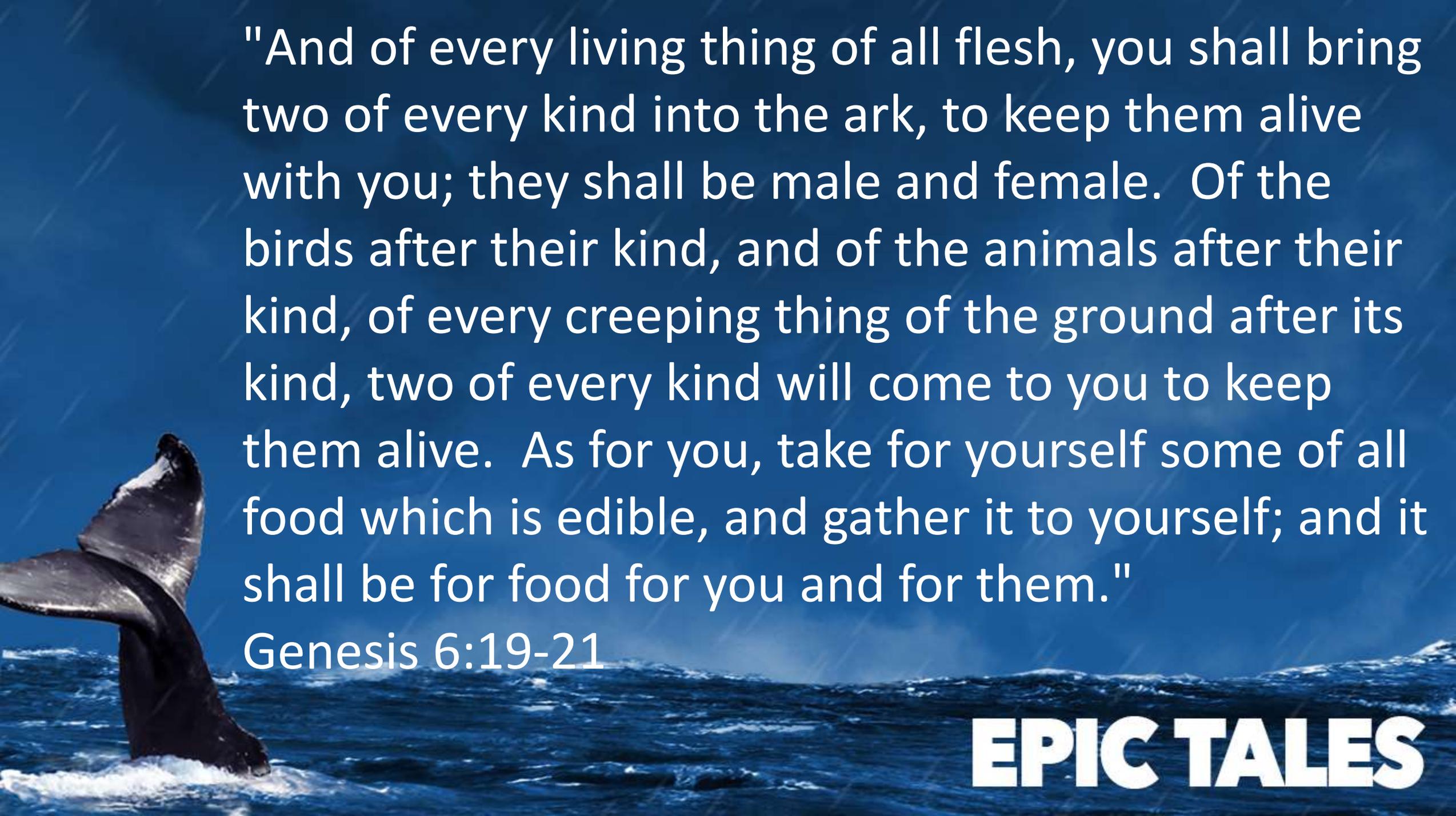
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"Behold, I, even I am bringing the flood of water upon the earth, to destroy all flesh in which is the breath of life, from under heaven; everything that is on the earth shall perish. But I will establish My covenant with you; and you shall enter the ark--you and your sons and your wife, and your sons' wives with you. "

Genesis 6:17-18

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"And of every living thing of all flesh, you shall bring two of every kind into the ark, to keep them alive with you; they shall be male and female. Of the birds after their kind, and of the animals after their kind, of every creeping thing of the ground after its kind, two of every kind will come to you to keep them alive. As for you, take for yourself some of all food which is edible, and gather it to yourself; and it shall be for food for you and for them."

Genesis 6:19-21

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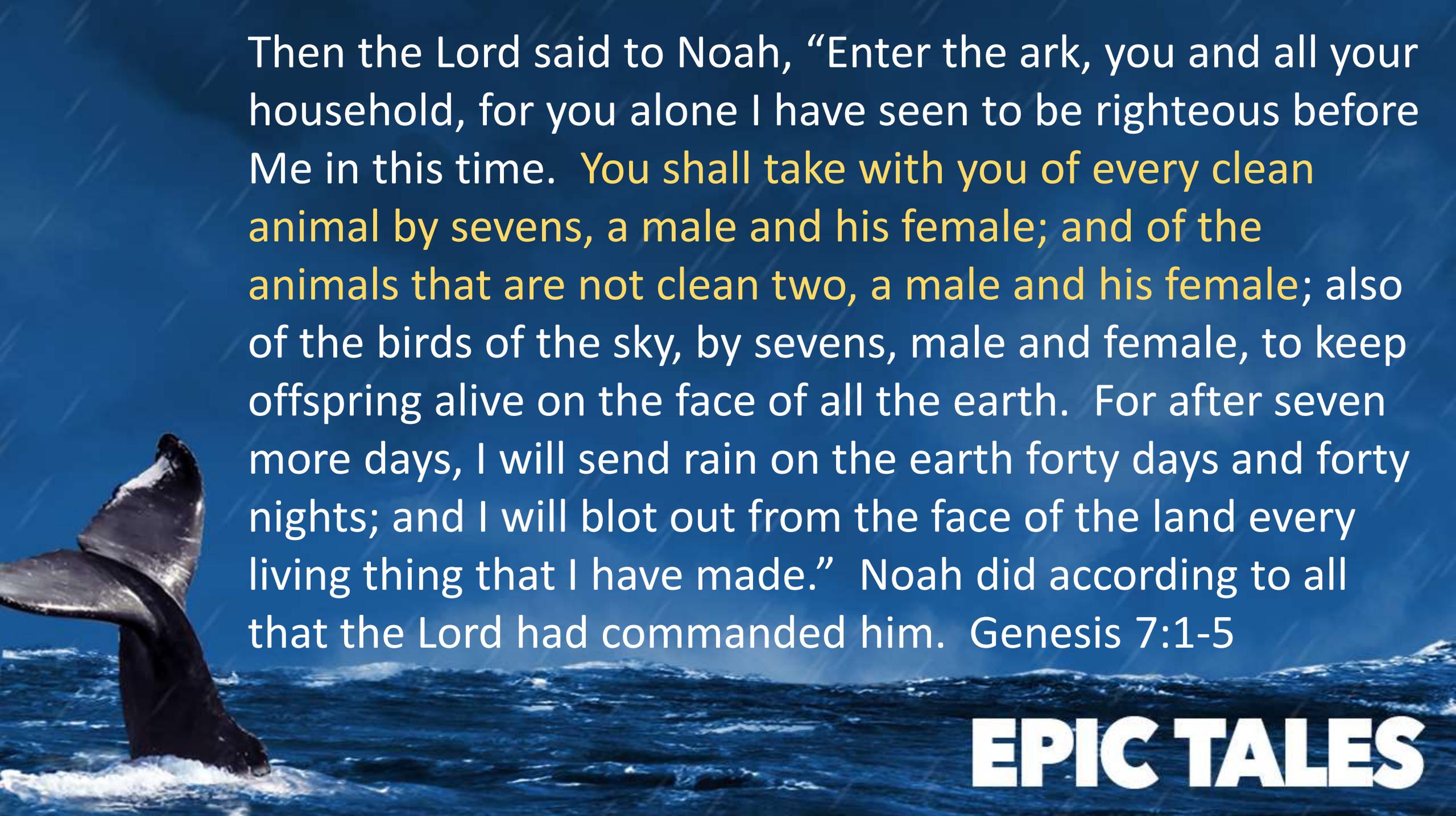
Thus Noah did; according to all that God had commanded him, so he did. Genesis 6:22 (NAS)

So Noah did everything exactly as God had commanded him. Genesis 6:22 (NLT)

Hebrews 11:7 By faith Noah, being warned by God about things not yet seen, in reverence prepared an ark for the salvation of his household, by which he condemned the world, and became an heir of the righteousness which is according to faith.

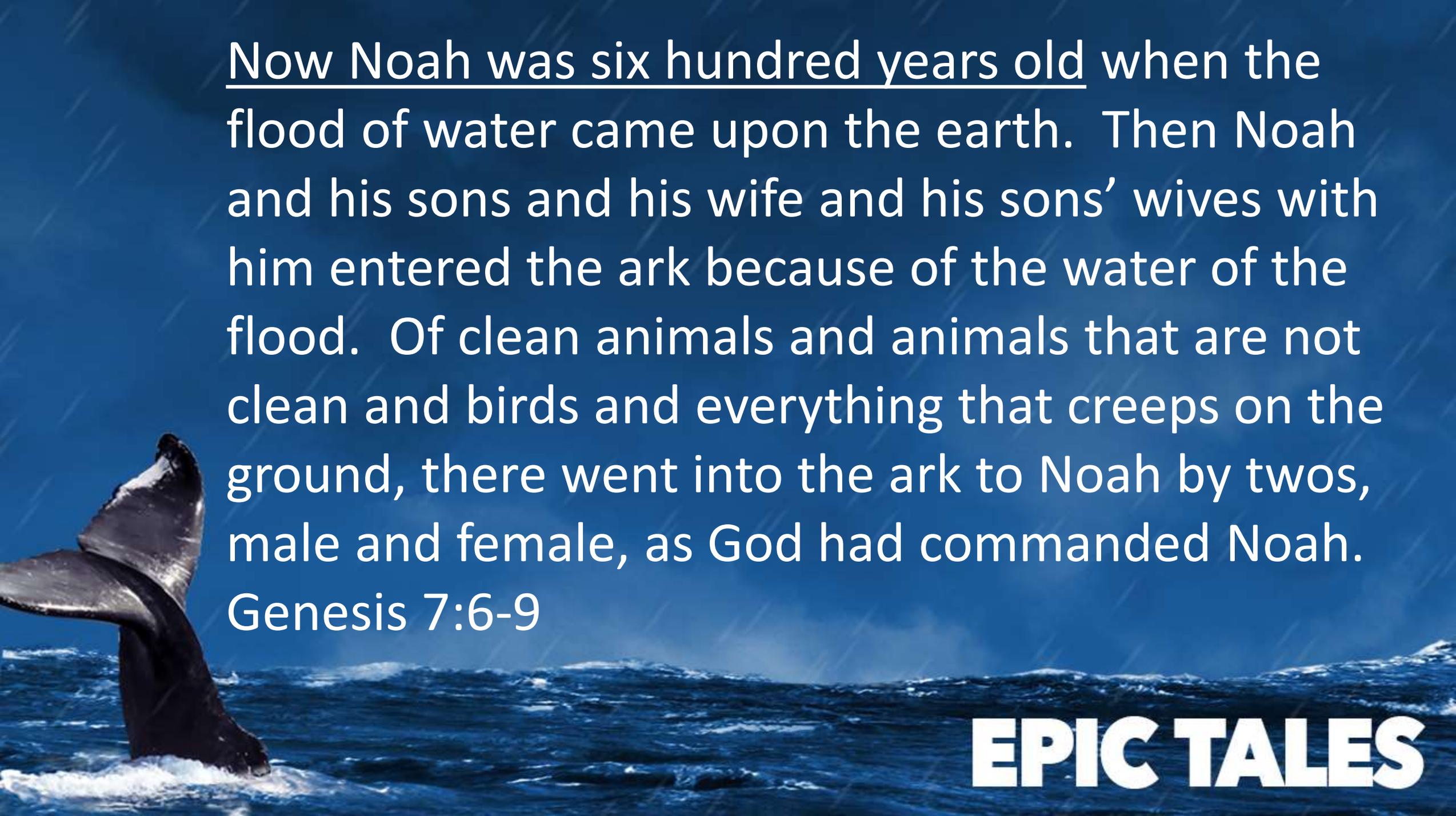
A photograph of a whale's tail fluke emerging from the ocean surface, set against a background of a blue sky with rain falling diagonally across the frame.

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Then the Lord said to Noah, “Enter the ark, you and all your household, for you alone I have seen to be righteous before Me in this time. **You shall take with you of every clean animal by sevens, a male and his female; and of the animals that are not clean two, a male and his female;** also of the birds of the sky, by sevens, male and female, to keep offspring alive on the face of all the earth. For after seven more days, I will send rain on the earth forty days and forty nights; and I will blot out from the face of the land every living thing that I have made.” Noah did according to all that the Lord had commanded him. Genesis 7:1-5

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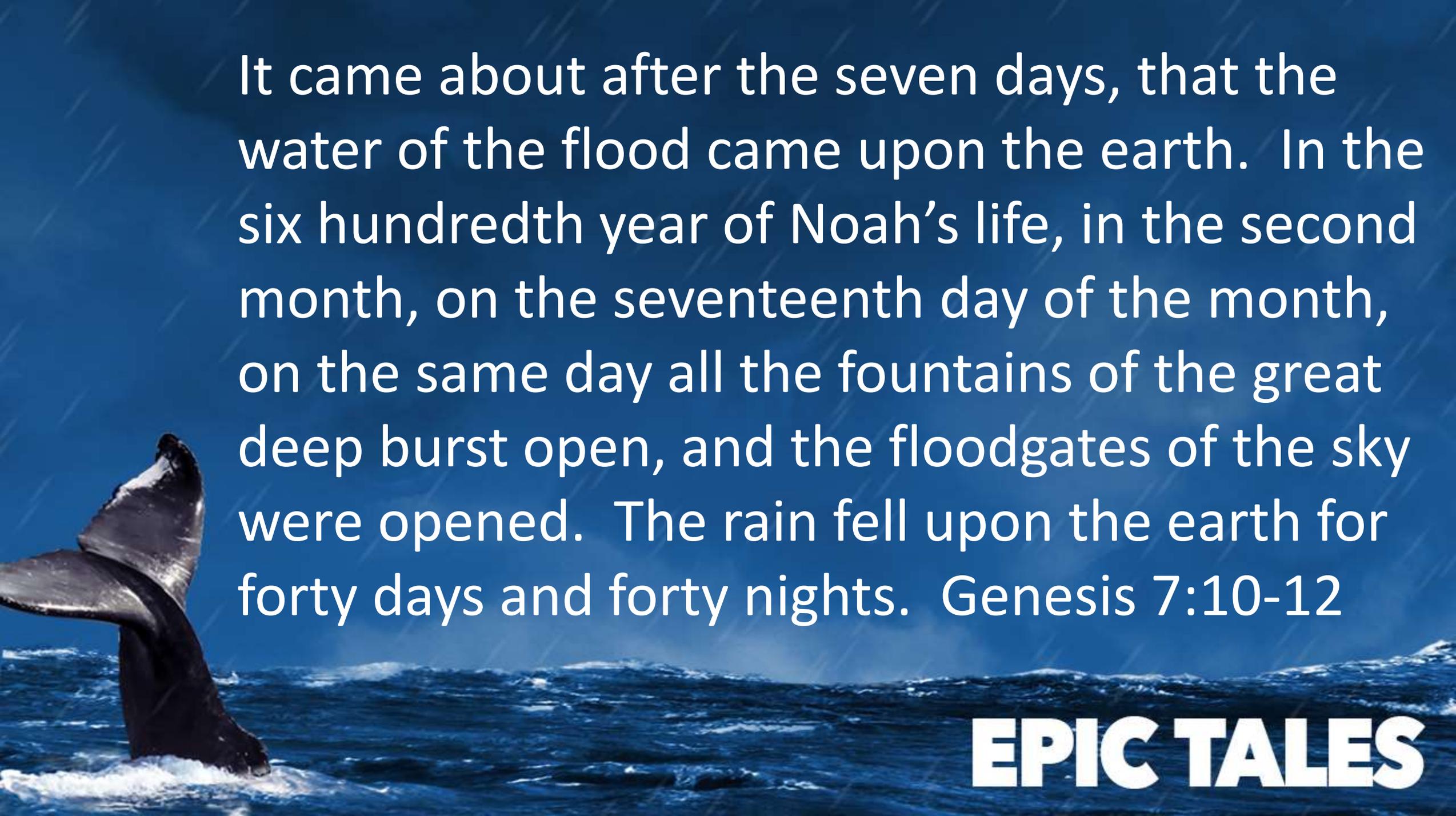
A dramatic scene of a whale's tail breaching the dark blue ocean. The sky is filled with heavy rain, creating a sense of a storm. The whale's tail is dark and wet, with white foam from the water splashing around it. The overall mood is intense and powerful.

Now Noah was six hundred years old when the flood of water came upon the earth. Then Noah and his sons and his wife and his sons' wives with him entered the ark because of the water of the flood. Of clean animals and animals that are not clean and birds and everything that creeps on the ground, there went into the ark to Noah by twos, male and female, as God had commanded Noah.
Genesis 7:6-9

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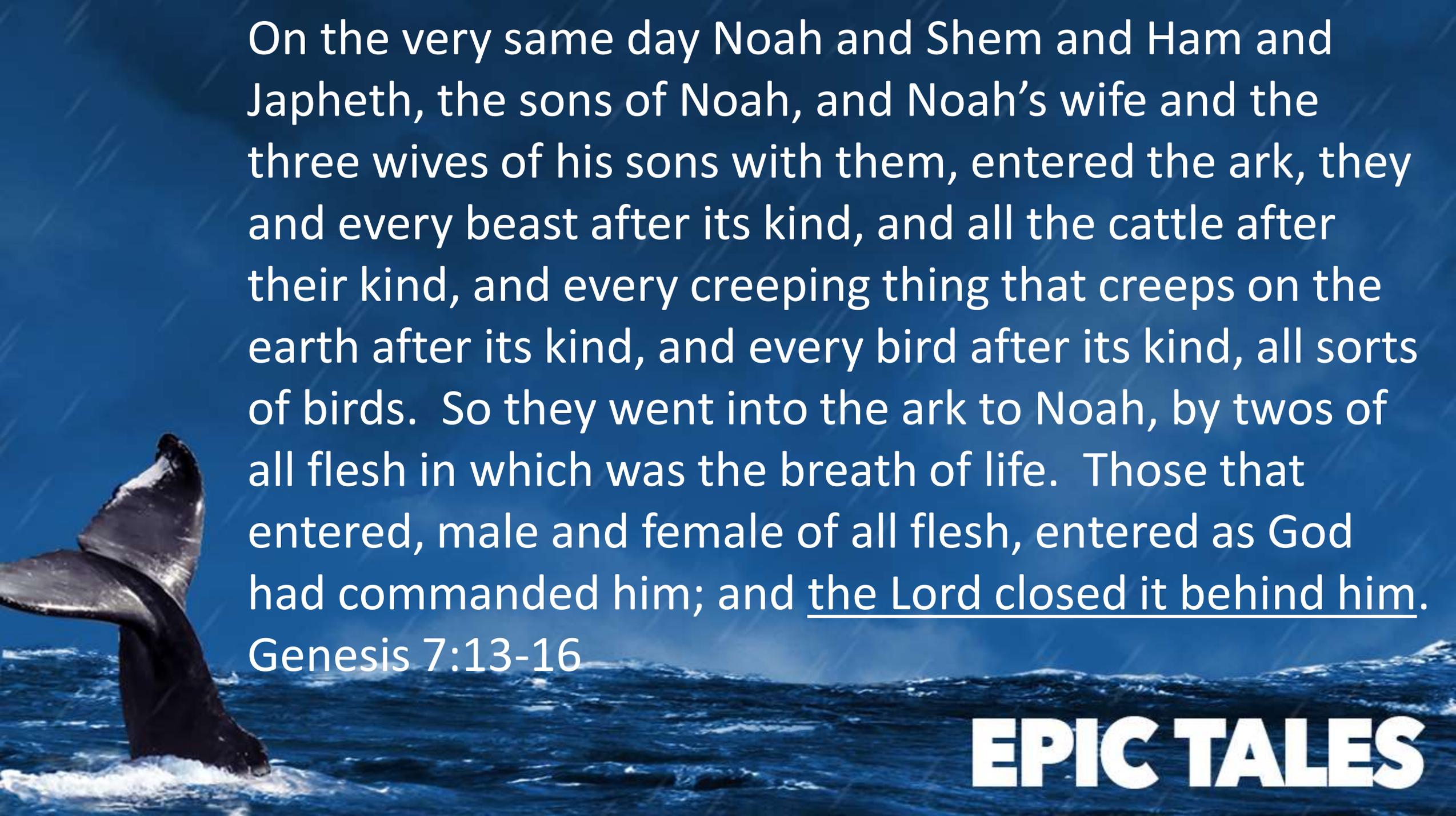
How long did it take Noah to build the ark?

When Noah is first mentioned in Genesis 5:32, he is 500 years old. When Noah enters the ark, he is 600 years old. The time it took to build the ark would depend on how much time passed between Genesis 6:14, when God commanded Noah to build the ark; and Genesis 7:1, when God commanded Noah to enter the ark. Some scholars teach that it took Noah 120 years to build the ark, based on Genesis 6:3. Others say that it took 100 years, based on Noah's age in Genesis 5:32 and his age in Genesis 7:6.

A dramatic scene featuring a whale's tail fluke rising from the ocean's surface. The sky is a deep, dark blue, and numerous white rain streaks fall diagonally across the frame, creating a sense of intense weather. The water is dark blue with white foam at the base of the whale's tail.

It came about after the seven days, that the water of the flood came upon the earth. In the six hundredth year of Noah's life, in the second month, on the seventeenth day of the month, on the same day all the fountains of the great deep burst open, and the floodgates of the sky were opened. The rain fell upon the earth for forty days and forty nights. Genesis 7:10-12

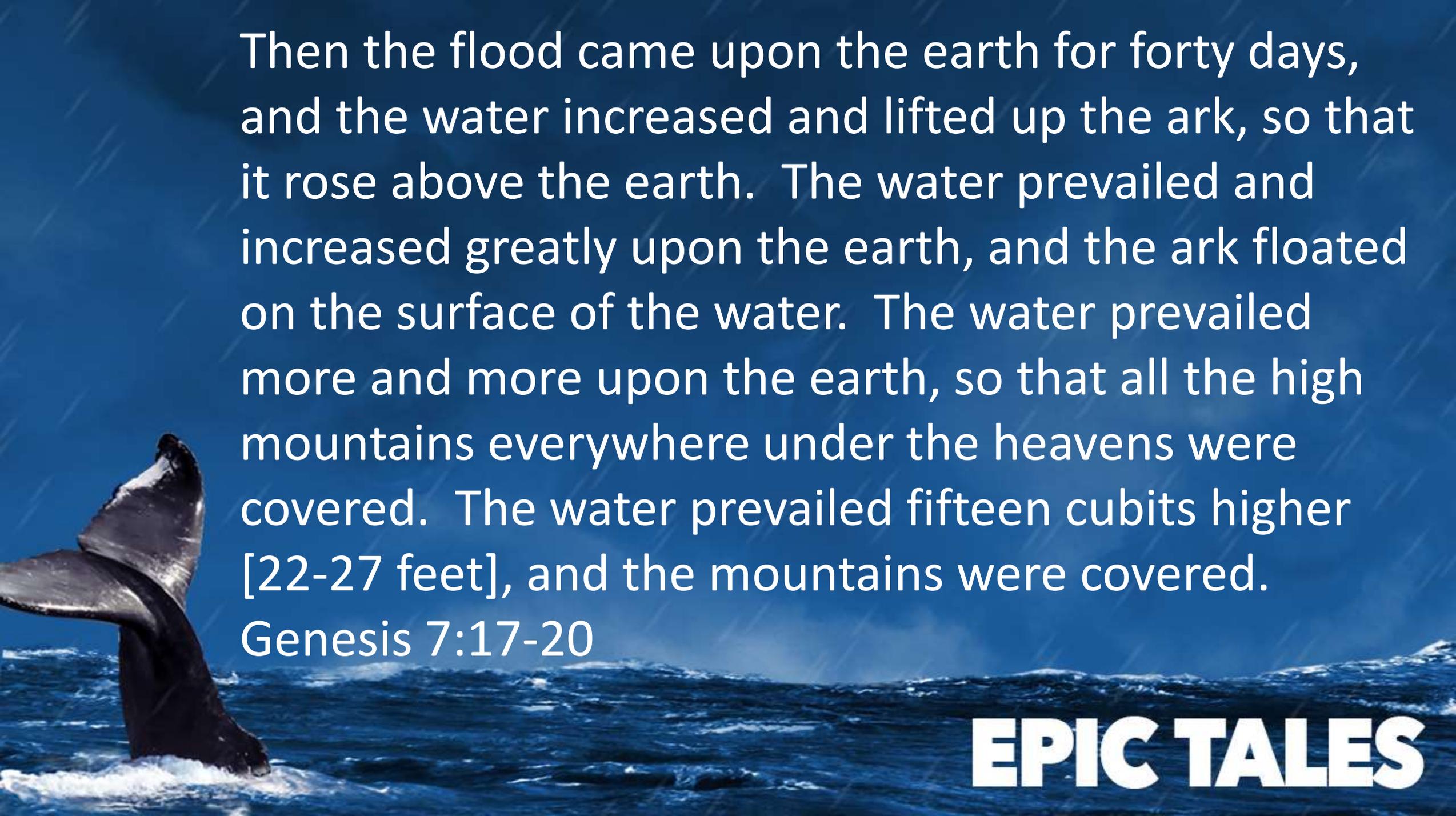
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A photograph of a whale's tail fluke emerging from the dark blue ocean under a dark, stormy sky with rain falling. The whale's tail is dark and has a lighter patch near the top. The water is turbulent with white foam from the waves.

On the very same day Noah and Shem and Ham and Japheth, the sons of Noah, and Noah's wife and the three wives of his sons with them, entered the ark, they and every beast after its kind, and all the cattle after their kind, and every creeping thing that creeps on the earth after its kind, and every bird after its kind, all sorts of birds. So they went into the ark to Noah, by twos of all flesh in which was the breath of life. Those that entered, male and female of all flesh, entered as God had commanded him; and the Lord closed it behind him.

Genesis 7:13-16

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A whale's tail is seen breaching the surface of the ocean, creating a splash. The background is a deep blue sky with rain falling diagonally across the frame. The overall scene is dramatic and evocative of a biblical flood.

Then the flood came upon the earth for forty days, and the water increased and lifted up the ark, so that it rose above the earth. The water prevailed and increased greatly upon the earth, and the ark floated on the surface of the water. The water prevailed more and more upon the earth, so that all the high mountains everywhere under the heavens were covered. The water prevailed fifteen cubits higher [22-27 feet], and the mountains were covered.

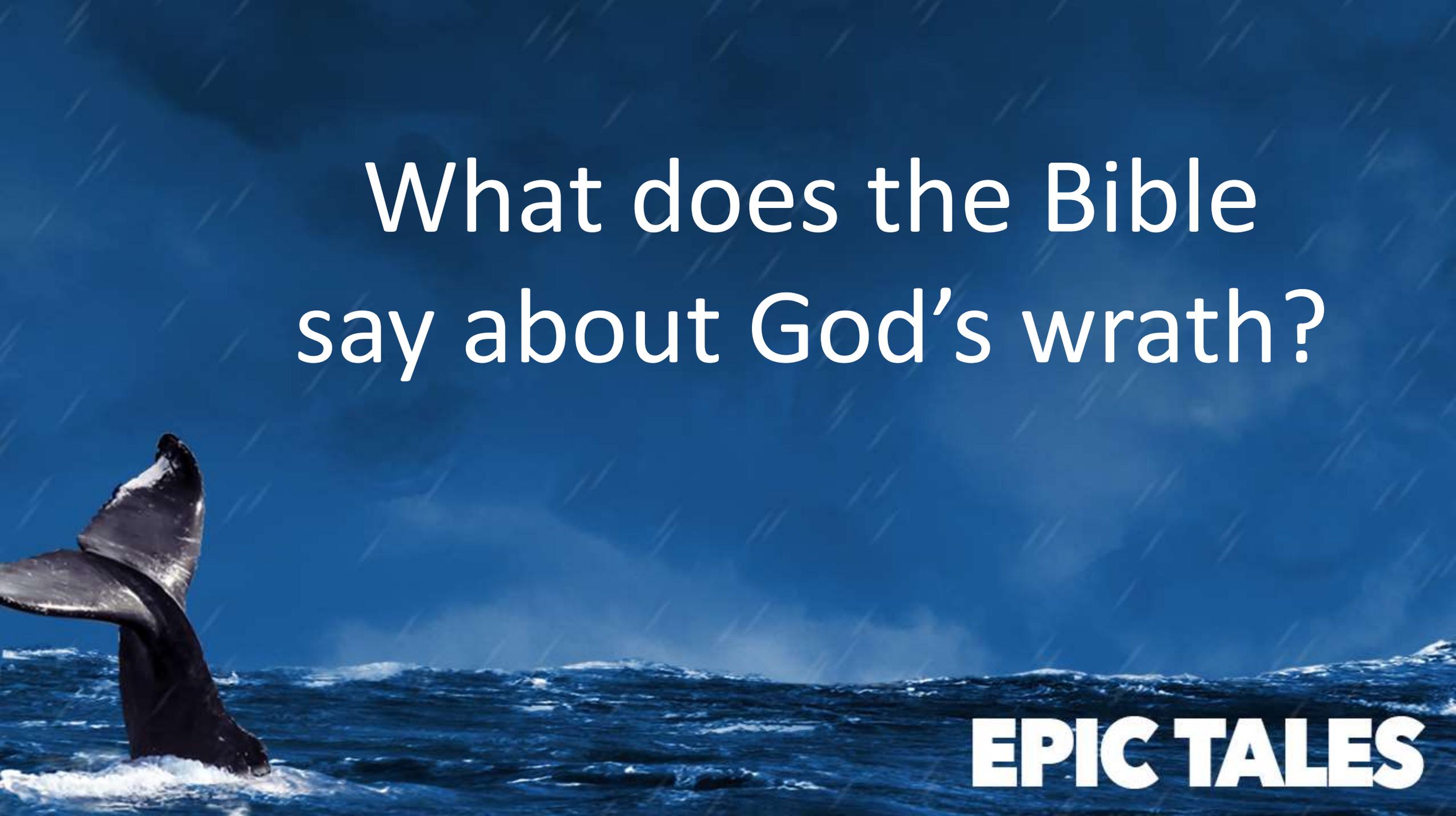
Genesis 7:17-20

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A close-up photograph of a whale's tail fluke emerging from the dark blue ocean. The tail is dark grey and has a white patch near the top. The water is turbulent with white foam around the base of the tail.

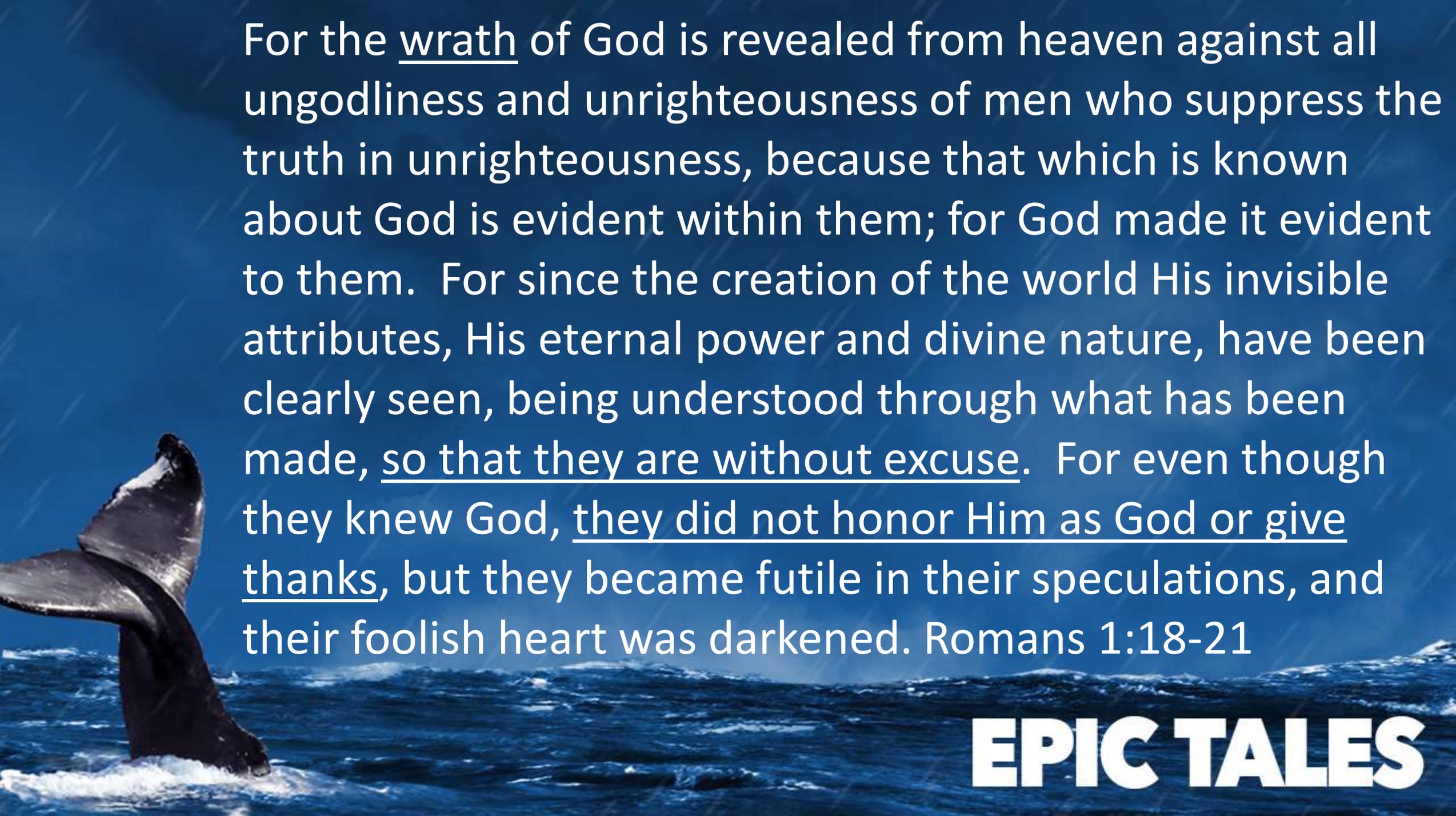
All flesh that moved on the earth perished, birds and cattle and beasts and every swarming thing that swarms upon the earth, and all mankind; of all that was on the dry land, all in whose nostrils was the breath of the spirit of life, died. Thus He blotted out every living thing that was upon the face of the land, from man to animals to creeping things and to birds of the sky, and they were blotted out from the earth; and only Noah was left, together with those that were with him in the ark. The water prevailed upon the earth one hundred and fifty days. Genesis 7:21-24

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A dramatic scene of a whale's tail breaching the ocean surface. The sky is dark and filled with rain, creating a sense of divine wrath. The water is turbulent with white foam around the tail.

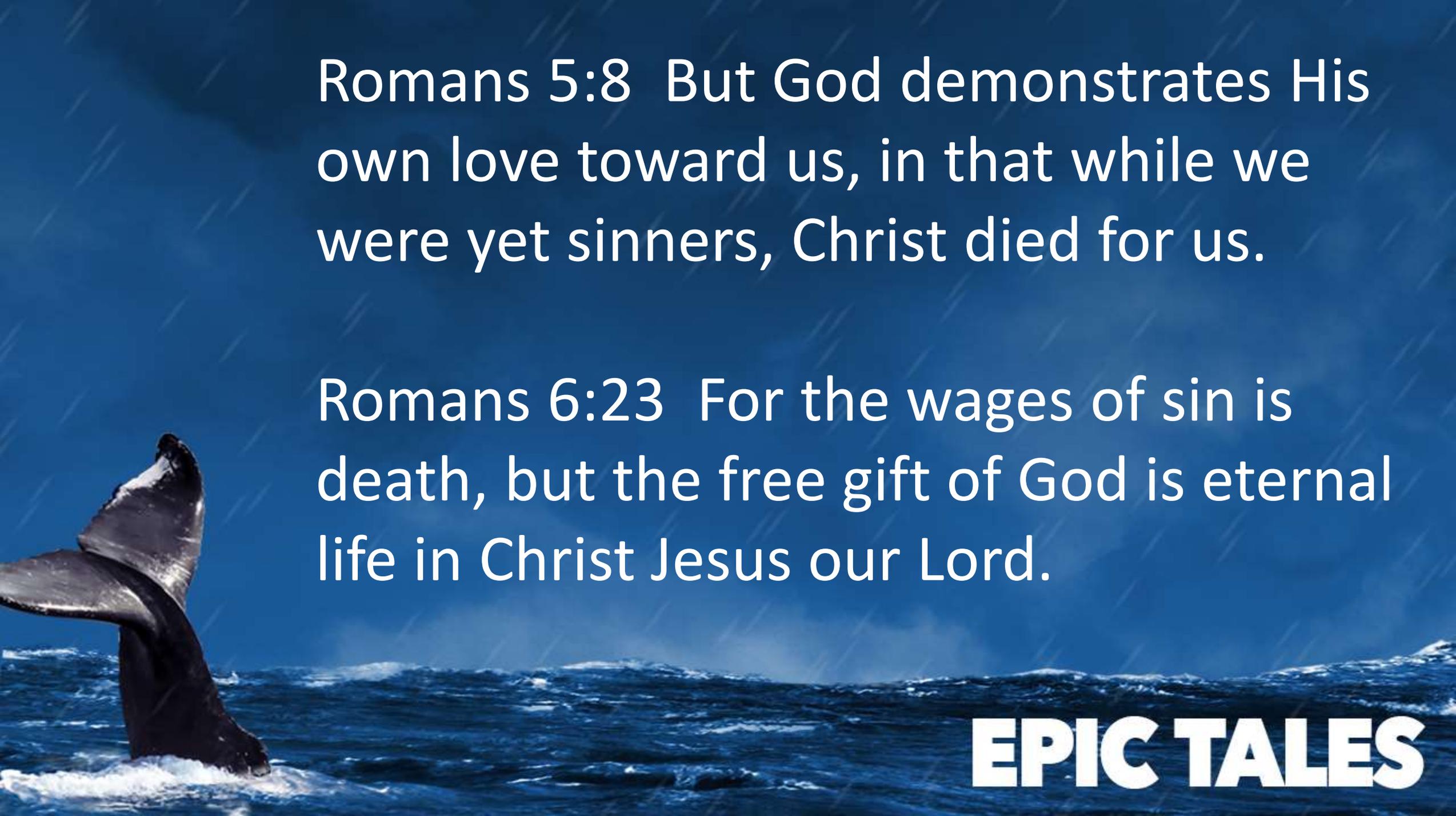
What does the Bible
say about God's wrath?

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A photograph of a whale's tail fluke emerging from the ocean, set against a blue sky and sea background. The whale's tail is dark and curved, with white foam at the base where it meets the water. The ocean is a deep blue with white-capped waves.

For the wrath of God is revealed from heaven against all ungodliness and unrighteousness of men who suppress the truth in unrighteousness, because that which is known about God is evident within them; for God made it evident to them. For since the creation of the world His invisible attributes, His eternal power and divine nature, have been clearly seen, being understood through what has been made, so that they are without excuse. For even though they knew God, they did not honor Him as God or give thanks, but they became futile in their speculations, and their foolish heart was darkened. Romans 1:18-21

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A photograph of a whale's tail fluke emerging from the ocean, set against a blue sky with light rain falling. The whale's tail is dark and curved, with white markings on its underside. The ocean is a deep blue with white-capped waves.

Romans 5:8 But God demonstrates His own love toward us, in that while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us.

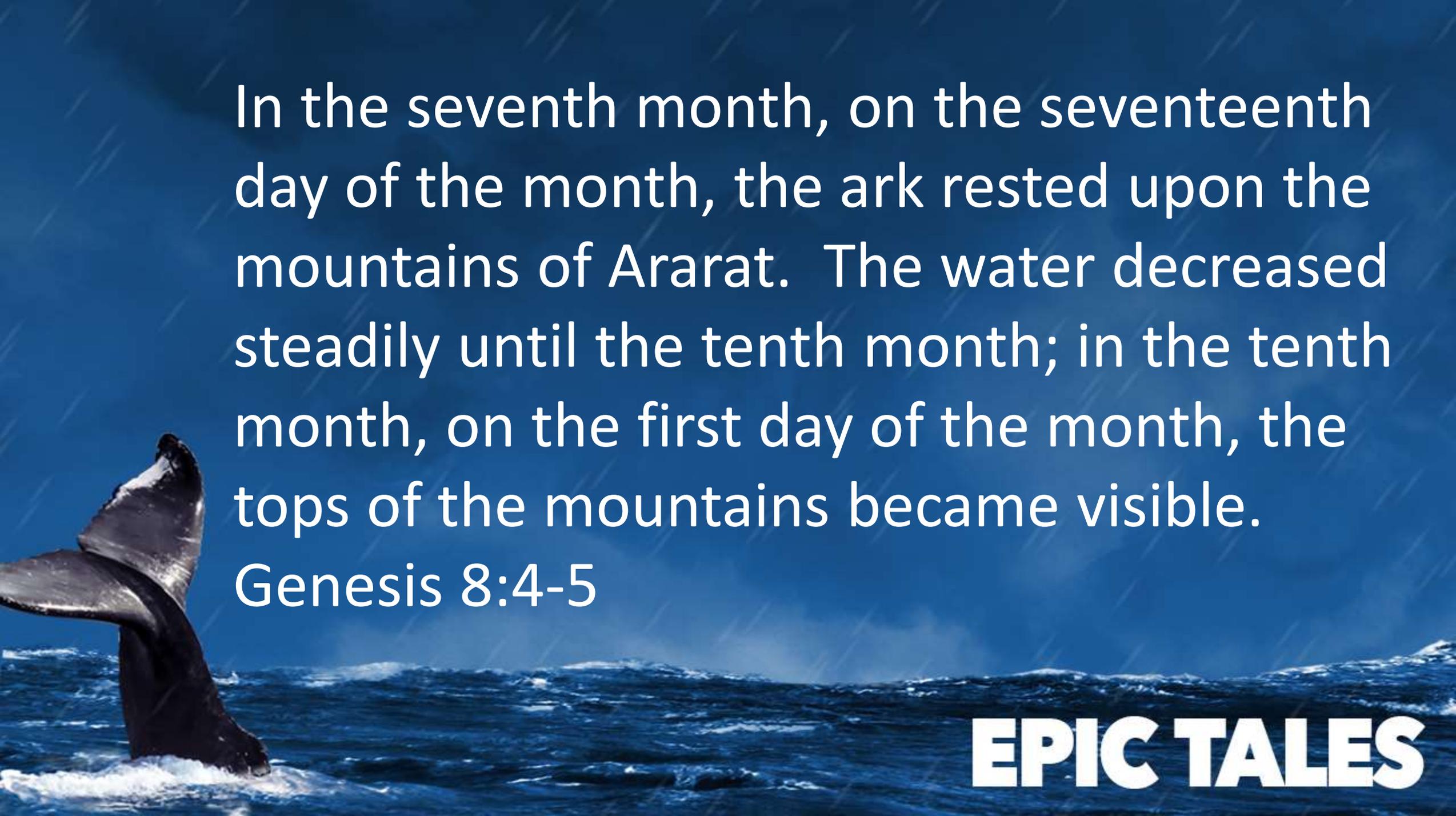
Romans 6:23 For the wages of sin is death, but the free gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.

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But God remembered Noah and all the beasts and all the cattle that were with him in the ark; and God caused a wind to pass over the earth, and the water subsided. Also the fountains of the deep and the floodgates of the sky were closed, and the rain from the sky was restrained; and the water receded steadily from the earth, and at the end of one hundred and fifty days the water decreased. Genesis 8:1-3

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A dramatic scene featuring a whale's tail fluke rising from the churning, dark blue ocean under a heavy, rain-filled sky. The rain is depicted as numerous white streaks falling diagonally across the frame, creating a sense of intense weather. The whale's tail is dark and sleek, contrasting with the white foam of the waves and the white rain. The overall mood is epic and powerful.

In the seventh month, on the seventeenth day of the month, the ark rested upon the mountains of Ararat. The water decreased steadily until the tenth month; in the tenth month, on the first day of the month, the tops of the mountains became visible.

Genesis 8:4-5

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Has Noah's Ark Been Found on Turkish Mountaintop?

By | Fox News



An explorer examines wooden beams inside what some are nearly certain is the remains of Noah's Ark. (Noah's Ark Ministries International)

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Noah's Ark 'buried in Turkish mountains' as experts say 3D scans will prove Biblical ship's existence

By Harry Pettit, Senior Digital Technology and Science Reporter | The Sun



AGRI, TURKEY - OCTOBER 25: A general view of the area, which has allegedly trace of Noahs Ark on Mount Ararat, also known as Agri Mountain, in Agri, Turkey on October 25, 2017. Agri hosted International Symposium of Mount Ararat and Noah's Ark. (Credit: Huseyin Yildiz/Anadolu Agency/Getty Images)

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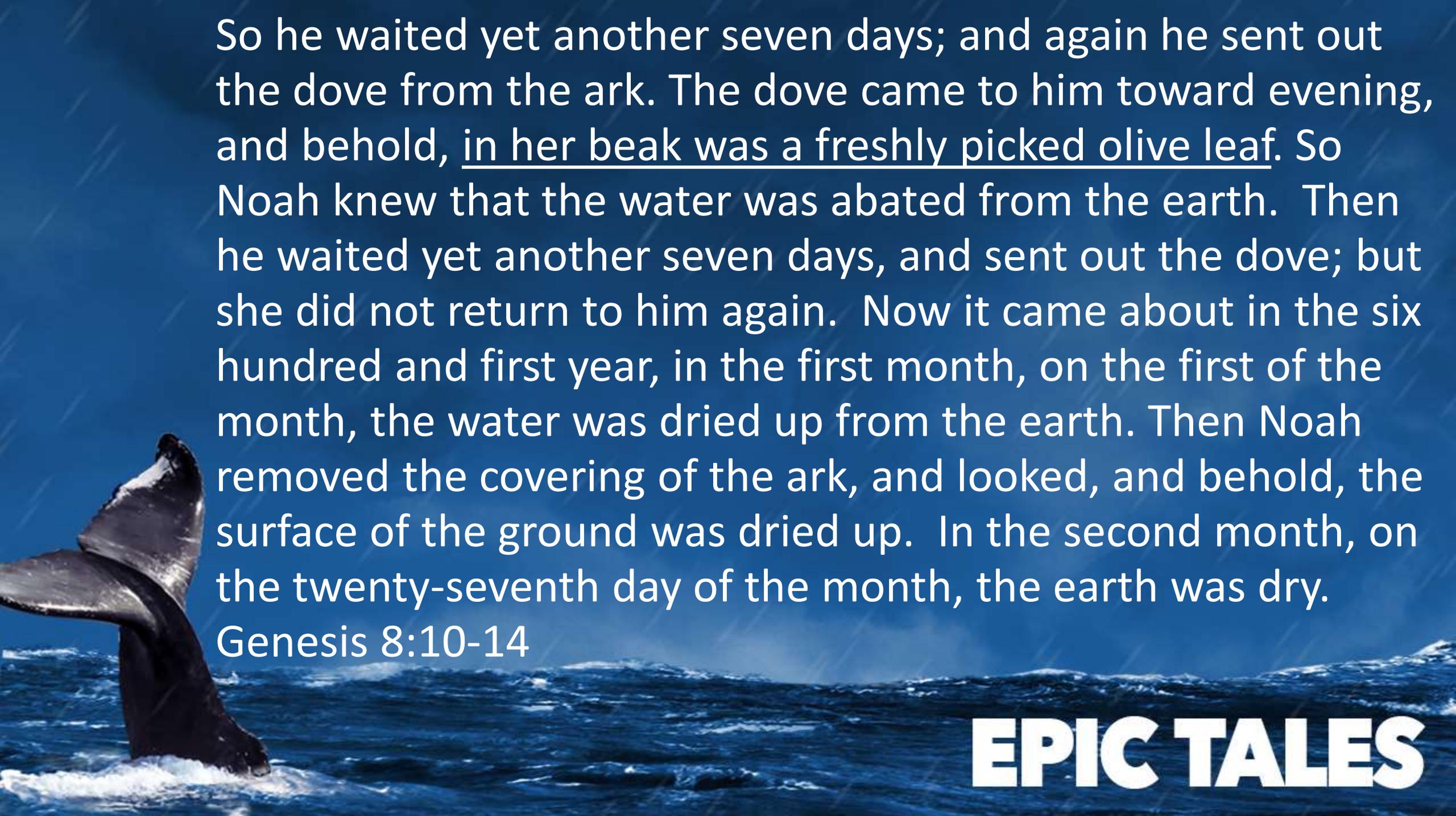
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A photograph of a whale's tail fluke emerging from the blue ocean, set against a background of a blue sky with light rain falling diagonally. The whale's tail is dark and has a white patch near the tip. The water is a deep blue with white foam from the tail's movement.

Then it came about at the end of forty days, that Noah opened the window of the ark which he had made; and he sent out a raven, and it flew here and there until the water was dried up from the earth. Then he sent out a dove from him, to see if the water was abated from the face of the land; but the dove found no resting place for the sole of her foot, so she returned to him into the ark, for the water was on the surface of all the earth. Then he put out his hand and took her, and brought her into the ark to himself.

Genesis 8:6-9

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A whale's tail is seen breaching the surface of the ocean, creating a splash of white water. The background is a clear, deep blue sky. The text is overlaid on the right side of the image.

So he waited yet another seven days; and again he sent out the dove from the ark. The dove came to him toward evening, and behold, in her beak was a freshly picked olive leaf. So Noah knew that the water was abated from the earth. Then he waited yet another seven days, and sent out the dove; but she did not return to him again. Now it came about in the six hundred and first year, in the first month, on the first of the month, the water was dried up from the earth. Then Noah removed the covering of the ark, and looked, and behold, the surface of the ground was dried up. In the second month, on the twenty-seventh day of the month, the earth was dry.

Genesis 8:10-14

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Chronology of the Flood

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Bible Knowledge
Commentary

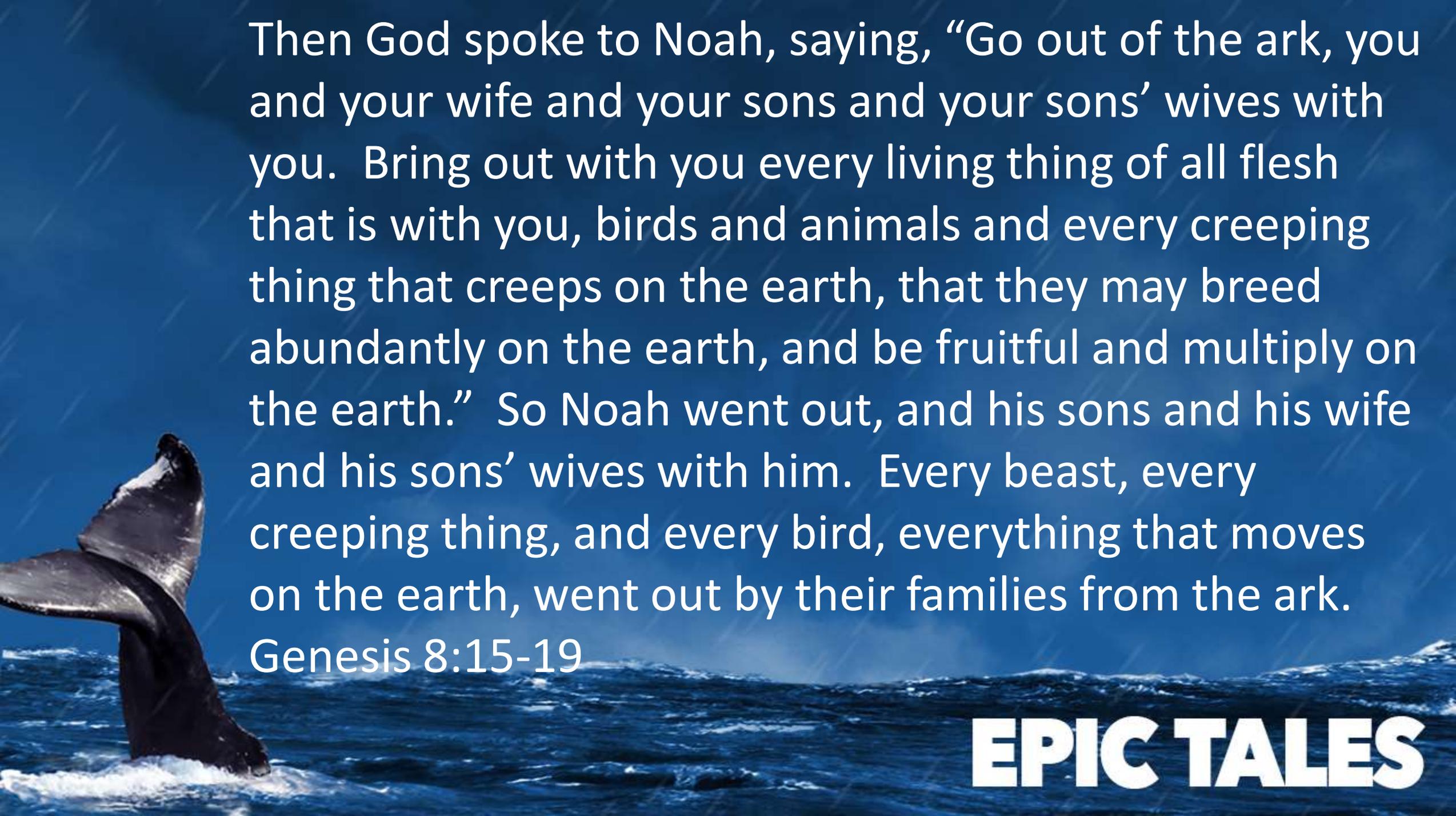
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	Event	Date	Reference
Waiting in the ark 7 days (7:7, 10)	1. Noah entered the ark	Month 2, day 10	7:7-9
	2. <i>7 days later:</i> Rain began falling	Month 2, day 17*	7:10-11
Water continued for 150 days (7:24)	3. <i>40 days later:</i> heavy rains stopped	Month 3, day 27	7:12
	4. <i>110 days later:</i> Prevailing waters receded and the ark rested on an Ararat mountain	Month 7, day 17*	7:24, 8:4
Water receded in 150 days (8:3)	5. <i>74 days later:</i> Tops of mountains visible	Month 10, day 1*	8:5
	6. <i>40 days later:</i> Raven sent out, and a dove sent out and returned	Month 11, day 11*	8:6-9
	7. <i>7 days later:</i> Dove sent out again and returned with a leaf	Month 11, day 18*	8:10
	8. <i>7 days later:</i> Dove sent out a third time and did not return	Month 11, day 25	8:12
	9. <i>22 days later:</i> Water receded	Month 12, day 17	8:3
Earth dried in 70 days	10. Noah saw dry land	Month 1, day 1*	8:13
	11. Land completely dry, and Noah exited the ark	Month 2, day 27*	8:14-19

377 days

1 year and 17 days in the ark

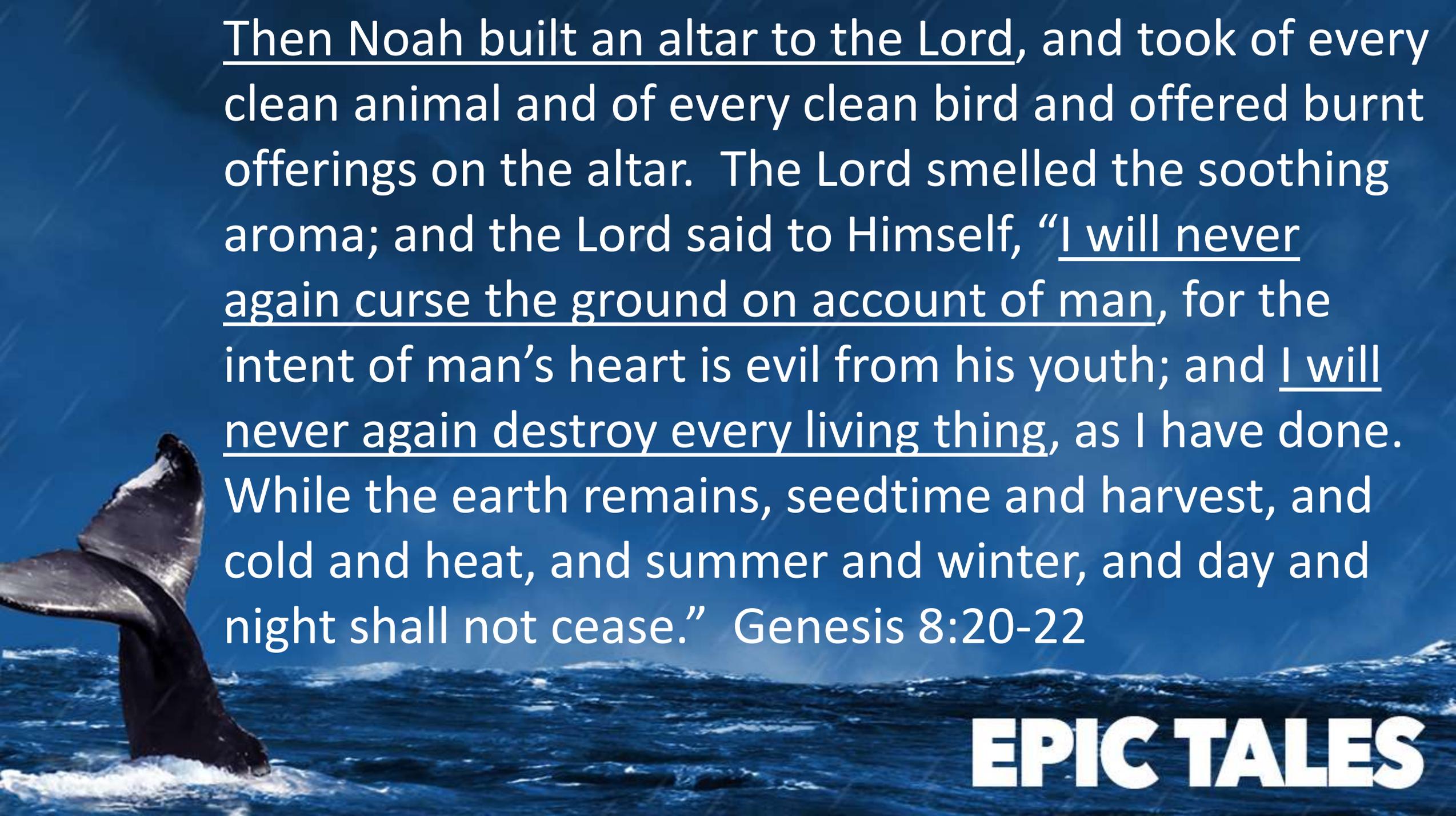
* Dates specified in the Scriptures; other dates are implied.

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Then God spoke to Noah, saying, “Go out of the ark, you and your wife and your sons and your sons’ wives with you. Bring out with you every living thing of all flesh that is with you, birds and animals and every creeping thing that creeps on the earth, that they may breed abundantly on the earth, and be fruitful and multiply on the earth.” So Noah went out, and his sons and his wife and his sons’ wives with him. Every beast, every creeping thing, and every bird, everything that moves on the earth, went out by their families from the ark.

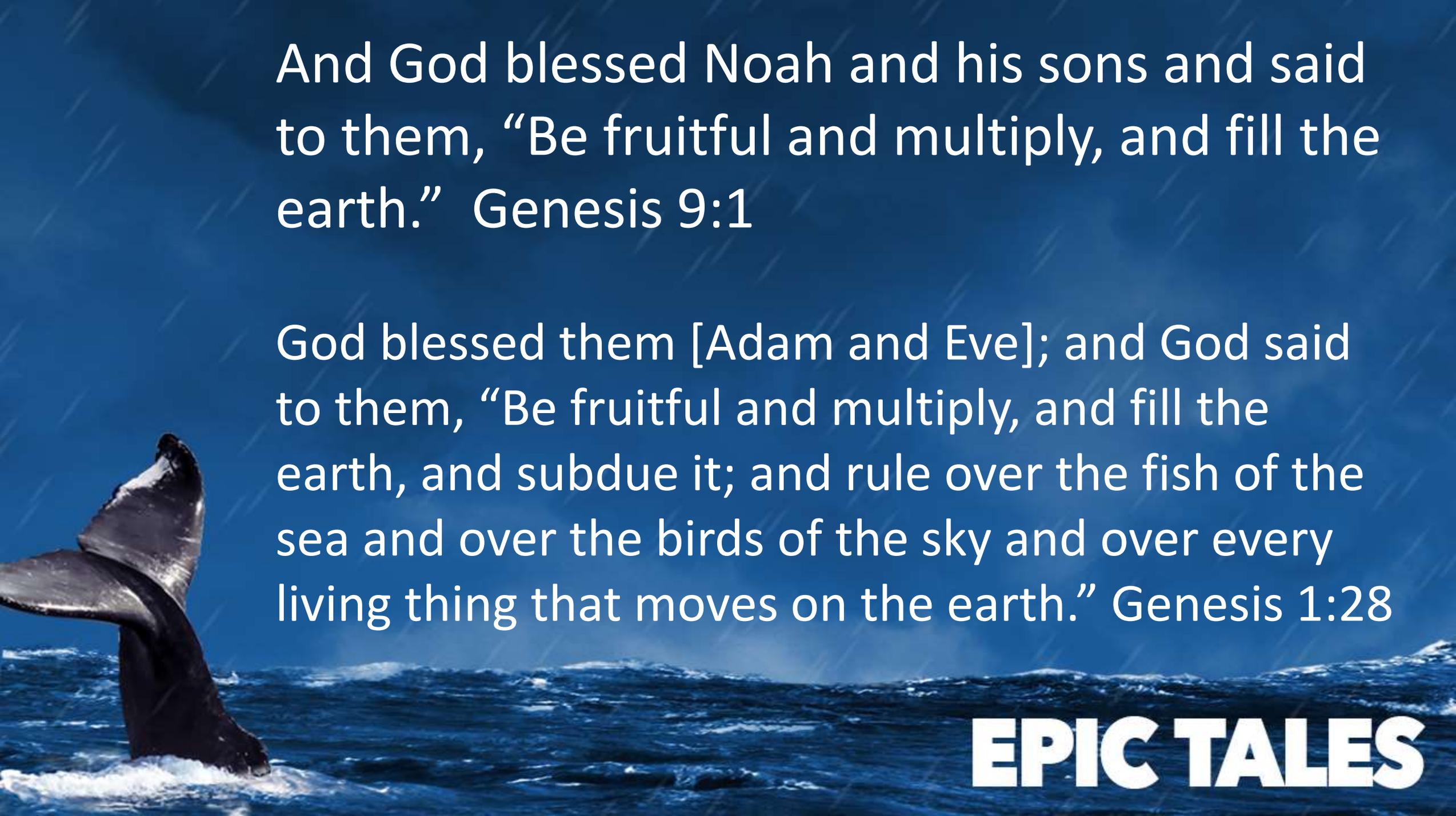
Genesis 8:15-19

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Then Noah built an altar to the Lord, and took of every clean animal and of every clean bird and offered burnt offerings on the altar. The Lord smelled the soothing aroma; and the Lord said to Himself, “I will never again curse the ground on account of man, for the intent of man’s heart is evil from his youth; and I will never again destroy every living thing, as I have done. While the earth remains, seedtime and harvest, and cold and heat, and summer and winter, and day and night shall not cease.” Genesis 8:20-22

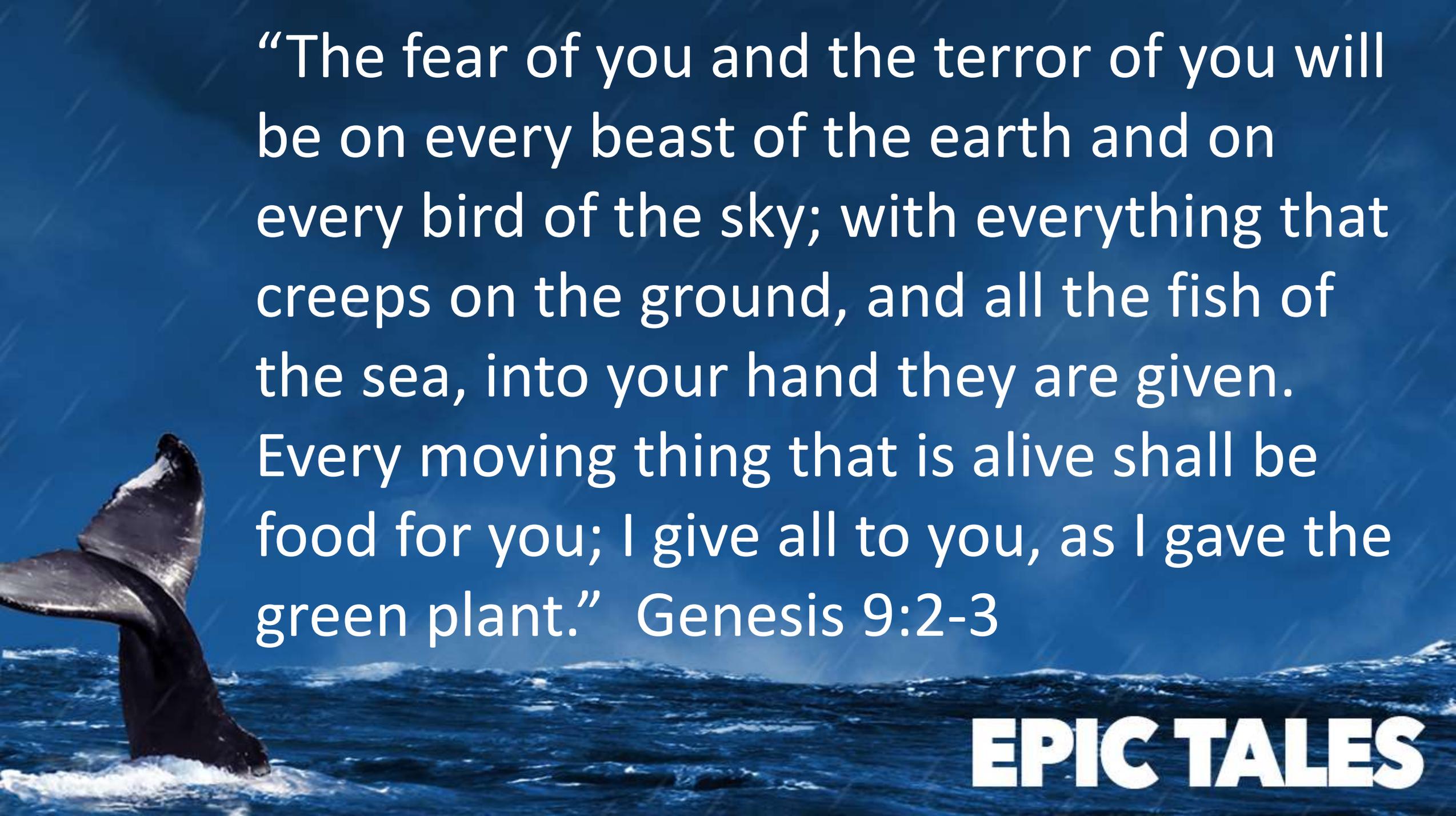
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A photograph of a whale's tail fluke emerging from the ocean. The tail is dark grey and is positioned on the left side of the frame. The ocean is a deep blue with white-capped waves. The sky is a lighter blue with some white clouds. The text is overlaid on the right side of the image.

And God blessed Noah and his sons and said to them, “Be fruitful and multiply, and fill the earth.” Genesis 9:1

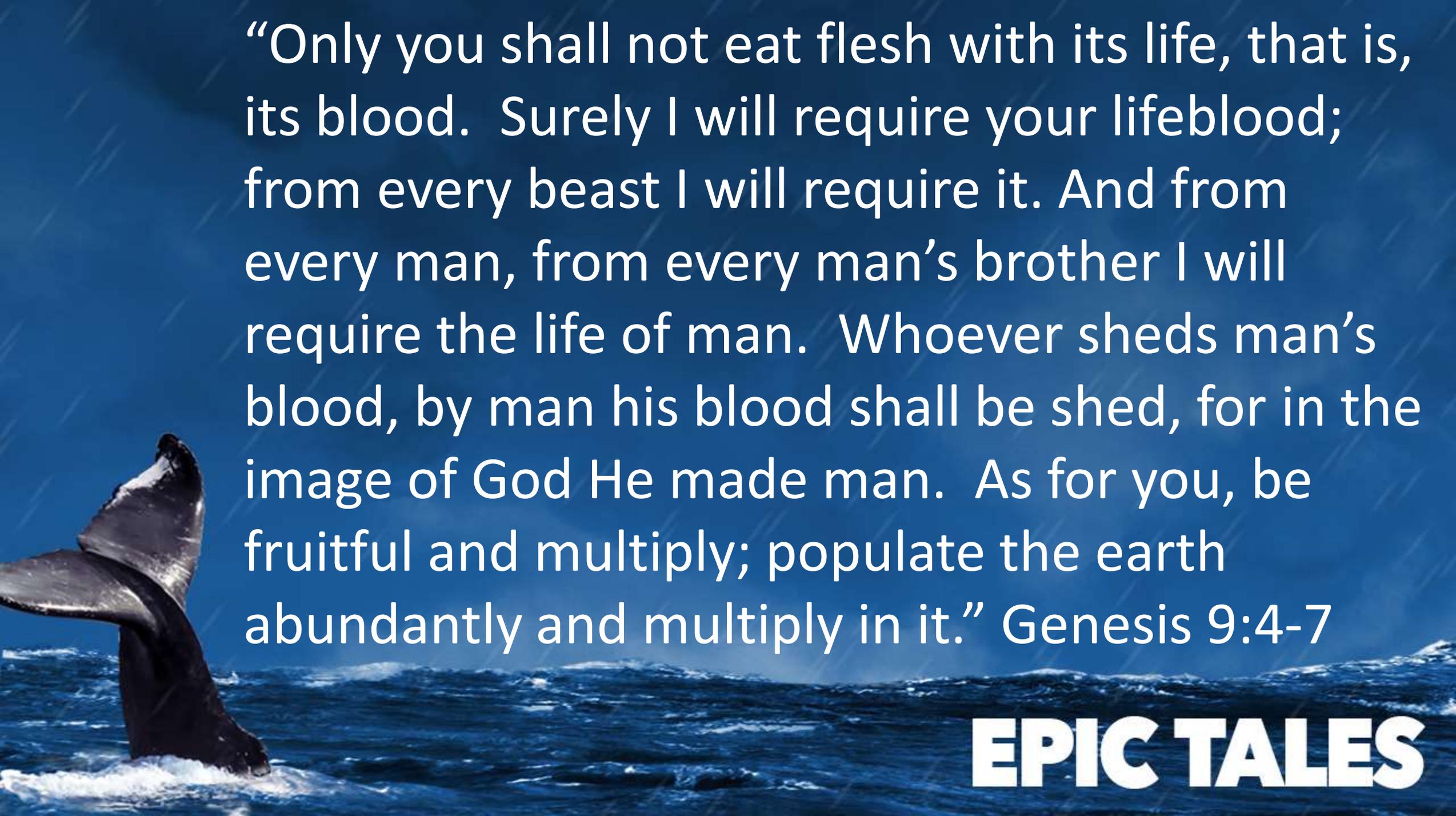
God blessed them [Adam and Eve]; and God said to them, “Be fruitful and multiply, and fill the earth, and subdue it; and rule over the fish of the sea and over the birds of the sky and over every living thing that moves on the earth.” Genesis 1:28

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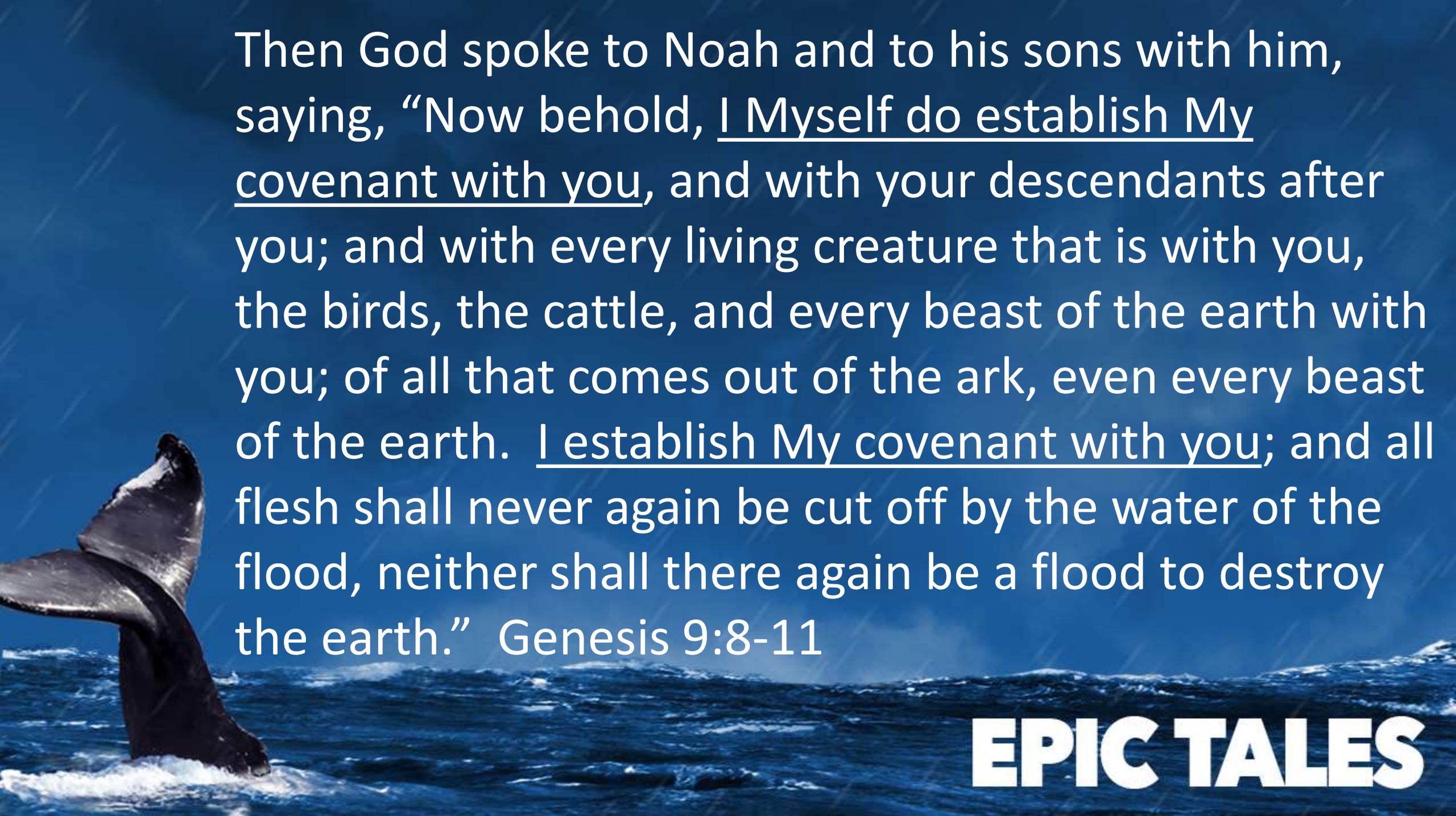
“The fear of you and the terror of you will be on every beast of the earth and on every bird of the sky; with everything that creeps on the ground, and all the fish of the sea, into your hand they are given. Every moving thing that is alive shall be food for you; I give all to you, as I gave the green plant.” Genesis 9:2-3

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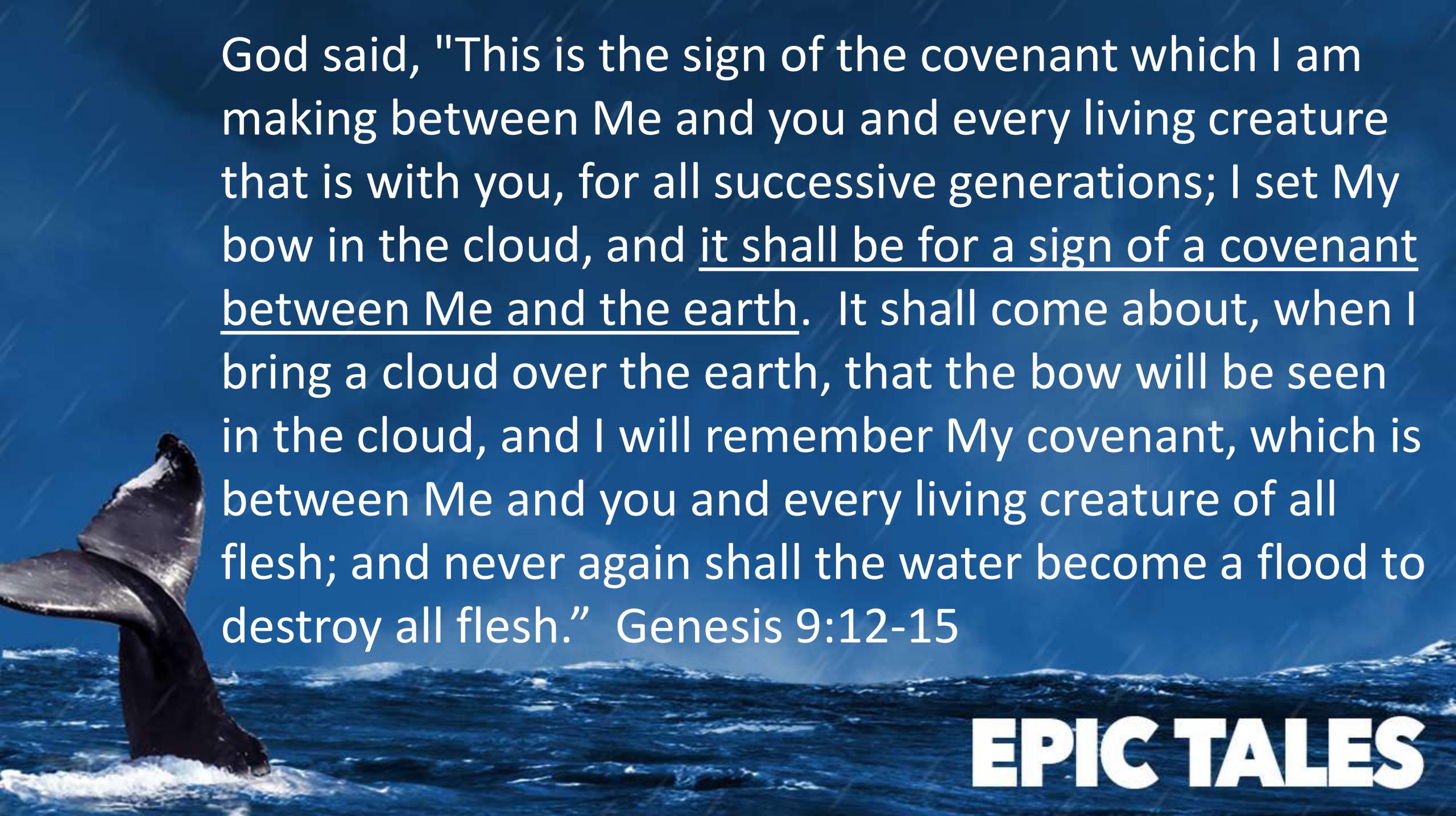
“Only you shall not eat flesh with its life, that is, its blood. Surely I will require your lifeblood; from every beast I will require it. And from every man, from every man’s brother I will require the life of man. Whoever sheds man’s blood, by man his blood shall be shed, for in the image of God He made man. As for you, be fruitful and multiply; populate the earth abundantly and multiply in it.” Genesis 9:4-7

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A photograph of a whale's tail fluke emerging from the blue ocean. The background is a deep blue sky with light rays filtering through, creating a dramatic, ethereal atmosphere. The text is overlaid on this background in a clean, white, sans-serif font.

Then God spoke to Noah and to his sons with him, saying, “Now behold, I Myself do establish My covenant with you, and with your descendants after you; and with every living creature that is with you, the birds, the cattle, and every beast of the earth with you; of all that comes out of the ark, even every beast of the earth. I establish My covenant with you; and all flesh shall never again be cut off by the water of the flood, neither shall there again be a flood to destroy the earth.” Genesis 9:8-11

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A photograph of a whale's tail fluke emerging from the blue ocean under a clear sky. The text is overlaid on the right side of the image.

God said, "This is the sign of the covenant which I am making between Me and you and every living creature that is with you, for all successive generations; I set My bow in the cloud, and it shall be for a sign of a covenant between Me and the earth. It shall come about, when I bring a cloud over the earth, that the bow will be seen in the cloud, and I will remember My covenant, which is between Me and you and every living creature of all flesh; and never again shall the water become a flood to destroy all flesh." Genesis 9:12-15

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God's visual reminder

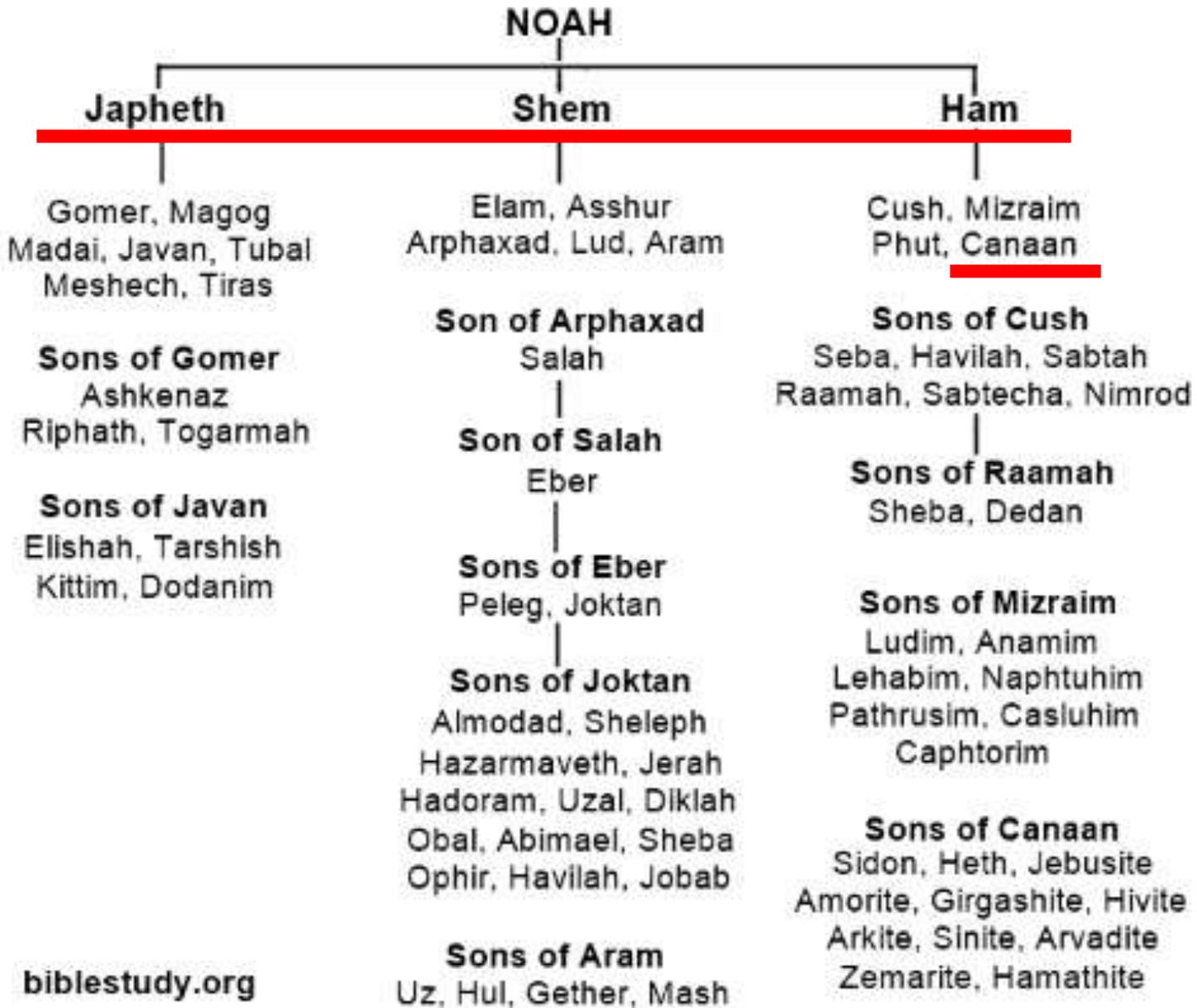
"When the bow is in the cloud, then I will look upon it, to remember the everlasting covenant between God and every living creature of all flesh that is on the earth." And God said to Noah, "This is the sign of the covenant which I have established between Me and all flesh that is on the earth."

Genesis 9:16-17



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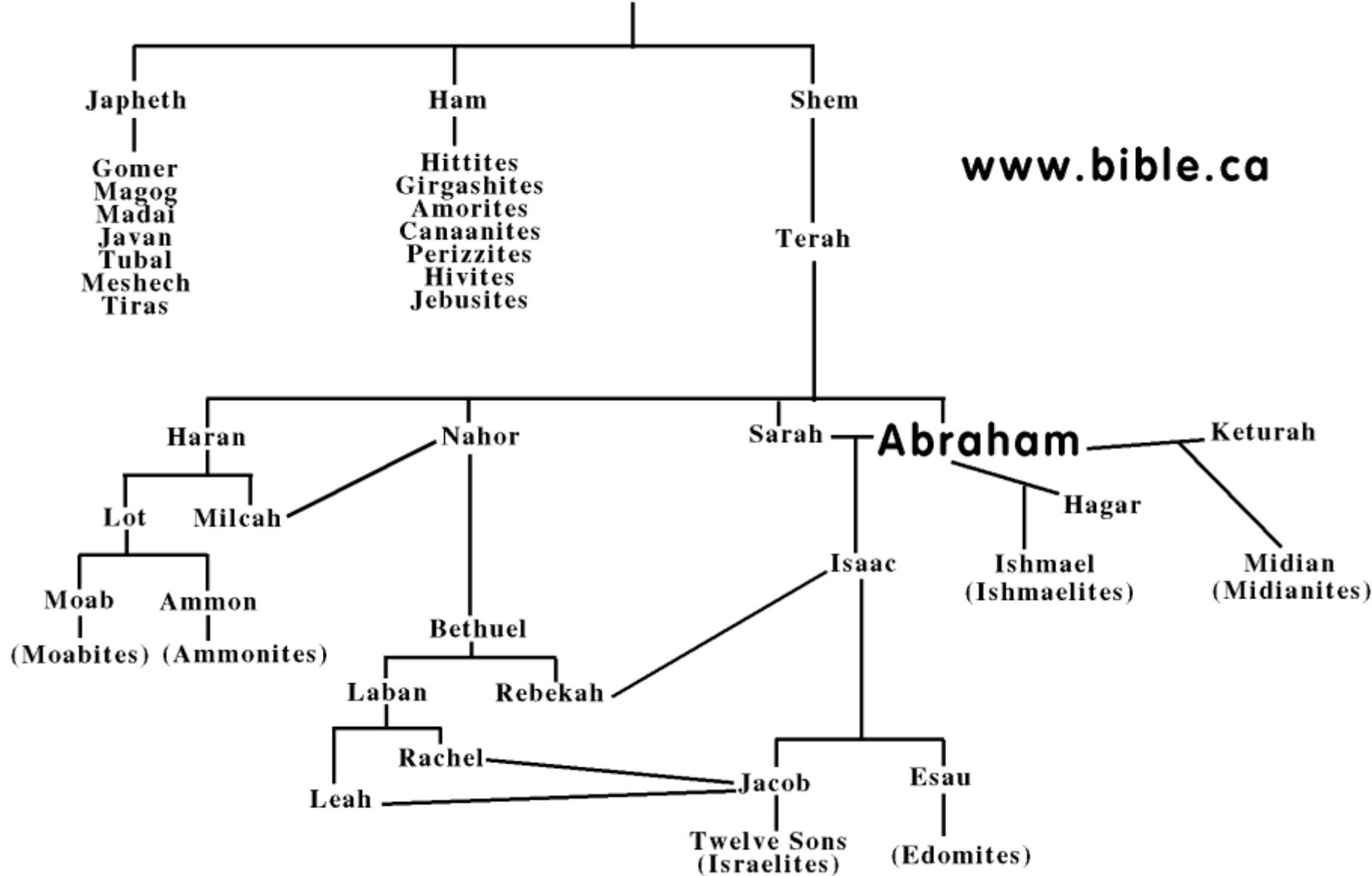
Noah's descendants (Table of Nations)



Now the sons of Noah who came out of the ark were Shem and Ham and Japheth; and Ham was the father of Canaan. These three were the sons of Noah, and from these the whole earth was populated.
Genesis 9:18-19

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Noah



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Abraham's Family Tree from Noah

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Theological Lessons from Noah and the Ark

1. The flood demonstrates God's hatred of sin and the certainty of His judgment on it.
2. God's giving people 120 years to repent before judgment came demonstrates His patience in dealing with sin.
3. The sparing of one family demonstrates God's saving grace.
4. The flood reveals God's rule over nature and over humanity.

Source: Holman Concise Bible Commentary

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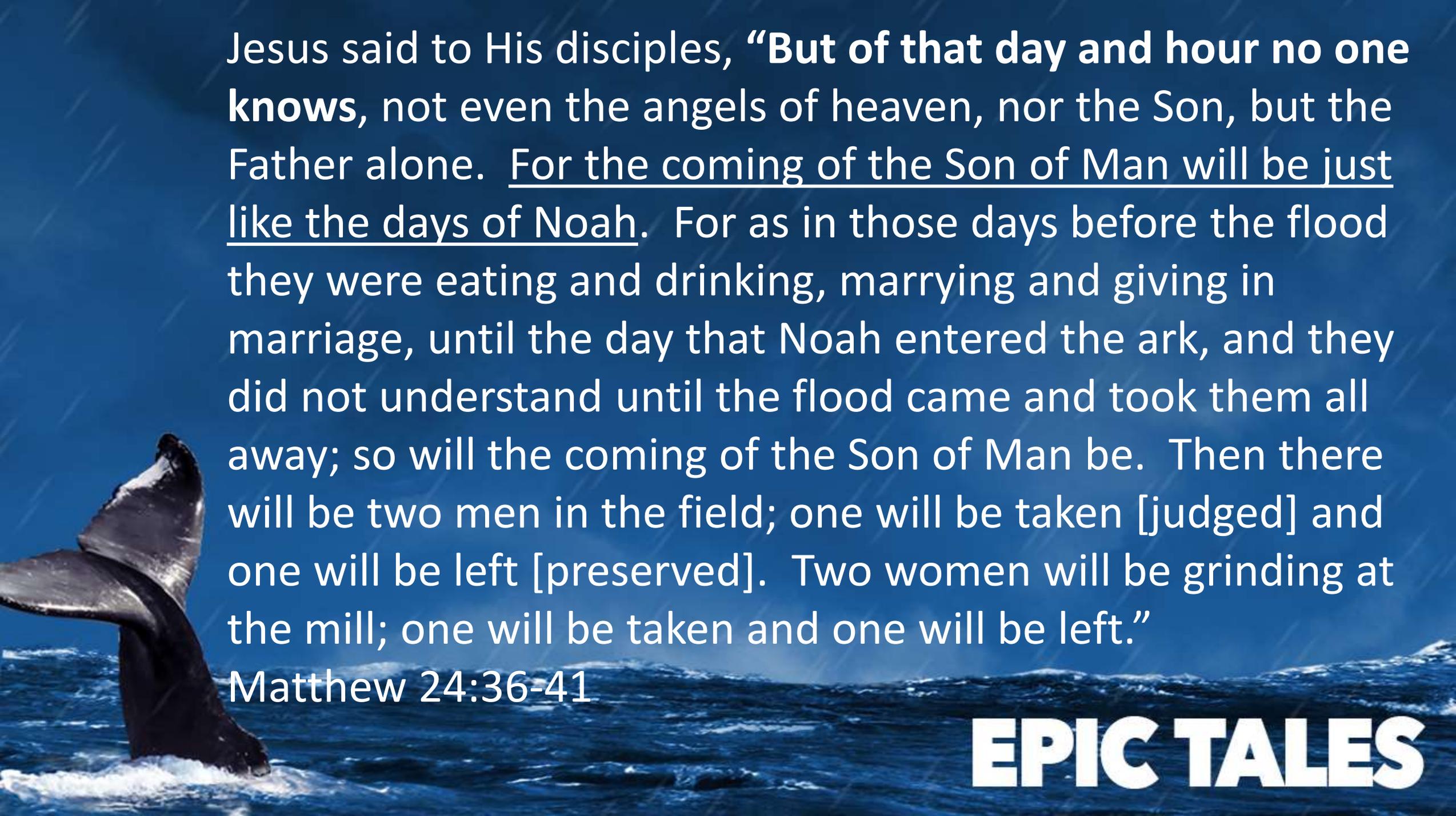


What are the signs of the Second Coming of Jesus?

Matthew 24

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A photograph of a whale's tail breaching the surface of the ocean. The tail is dark and curved, with white foam at the point of exit. The water is a deep blue with white-capped waves. The sky is a clear, bright blue. The text is overlaid on the right side of the image.

Jesus said to His disciples, “**But of that day and hour no one knows**, not even the angels of heaven, nor the Son, but the Father alone. For the coming of the Son of Man will be just like the days of Noah. For as in those days before the flood they were eating and drinking, marrying and giving in marriage, until the day that Noah entered the ark, and they did not understand until the flood came and took them all away; so will the coming of the Son of Man be. Then there will be two men in the field; one will be taken [judged] and one will be left [preserved]. Two women will be grinding at the mill; one will be taken and one will be left.”

Matthew 24:36-41

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Prepare for His Return

“Therefore be on the alert, for you do not know which day your Lord is coming. But be sure of this, that if the head of the house had known at what time of the night the thief was coming, he would have been on the alert and would not have allowed his house to be broken into. For this reason you also must be ready; for the Son of Man is coming at an hour when you do not think He will.” Matthew 24:42-44

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**How
will we
respond
to the
evil and
the
storm?**

Then God spoke to Noah, saying, “Go out of the ark, you and your wife and your sons and your sons’ wives with you.” Genesis 8:15-16 **WILL WE OBEY GOD?**

So Noah went out, and his sons and his wife and his sons’ wives with him. Every beast, every creeping thing, and every bird, everything that moves on the earth, went out by their families from the ark. Then Noah built an altar to the Lord, and took of every clean animal and of every clean bird and offered burnt offerings on the altar. Genesis 8:18-20 **WILL WE WORSHIP GOD?**

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10 Generations from Adam to Noah

Hebrew	English	Meaning
אָדָם [Adam]	Adam	man
שֵׁת [Sheth]	Seth	placed, appointed
אֵנוֹשׁ [Enosh]	Enosh	mortal
קַיִן [Kenan]	Cainan	sorrow
מַהֲלָלֵל [Mahalalel]	Mahalalel	blessed God
יָרֵד [Jared]	Jared	shall come down
חֲנוֹךְ [Chanoch]	Enoch	teaching, anointed
מֶתוּשֶׁלַח [Metushelach]	Methuselah	his death will bring
לֶמֶךְ [Lemech]	Lamech	despairing, taste
נֹחַ [Noach] ★	Noah	rest, comfort

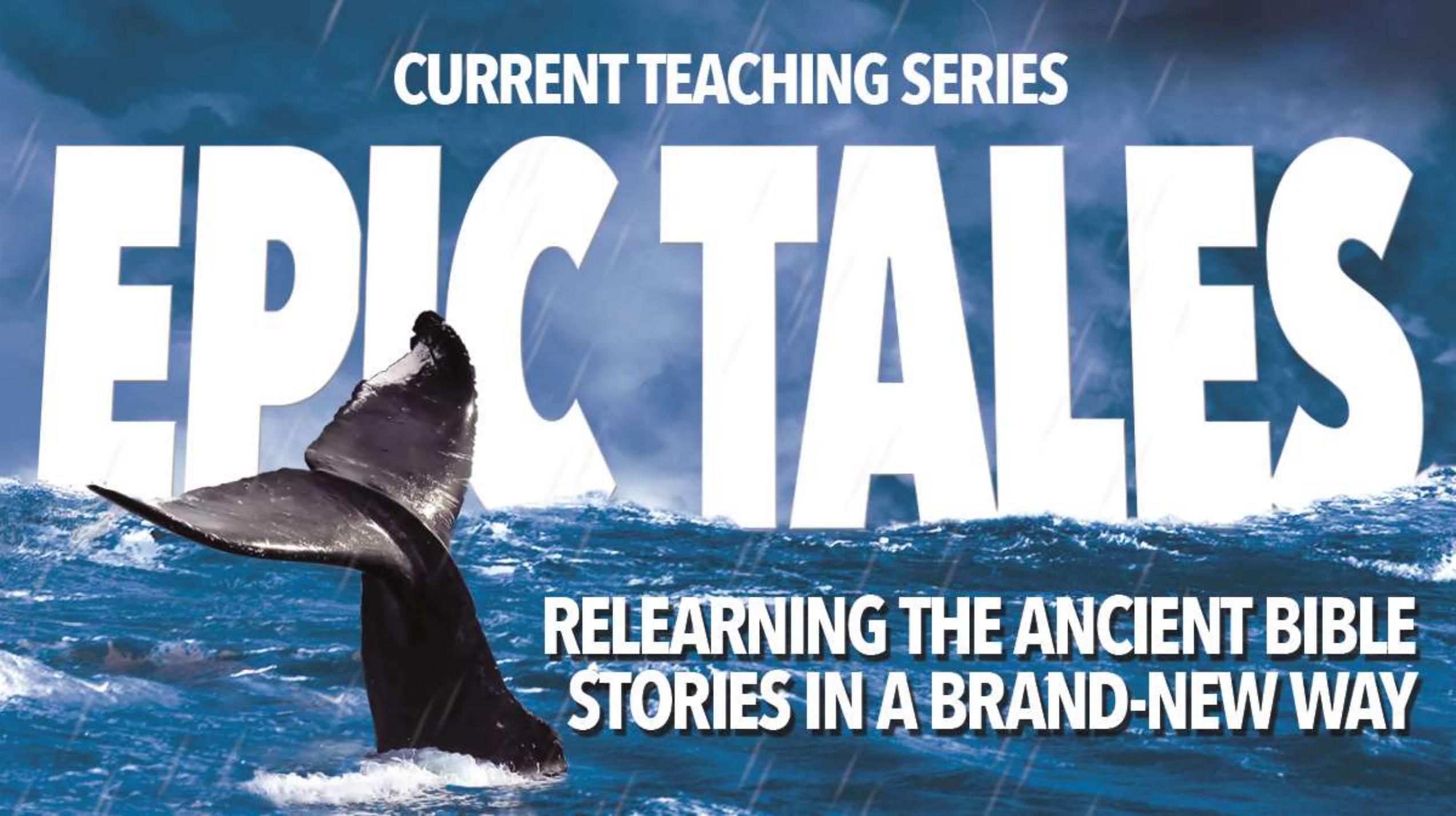
Put those meanings into a complete sentence and you get:

Man (is) appointed mortal sorrow, (but) the blessed God shall come down teaching. His death shall bring (the) despairing comfort and rest.

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