

Drifting Falling, Floating Weightless

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We're leading up to Noah, a descendant of Seth, and the Flood. In order to fully appreciate the magnitude of the Flood, and understand the behavior of Noah's contemporaries toward this crazy dude building a big boat in his backyard, let's first back way up and get physical.

Start with a Big Bang. Yes! I believe there was a Big Bang! Believers know that the "point of singularity" scientists have been searching for - the "what caused the Big Bang" - is God.

"In the beginning, God created the heavens and the earth. Now the earth was formless and empty, darkness was above the surface of the deep and the Spirit of God was hovering (more specifically, brooding) over the waters."

On the Second Day, God created an expanse (sky) to separate the "water from water. Then He gathered the water below the sky into one place to expose dry land.

So, He separated the water above from the water below. Hmm, water above the expanse (sky). What about that water above the expanse? Picture a protective bubble and inside this bubble earth flourished as a closed eco-system. Noah and his fellow earthlings had most likely never seen rain!

Earth, safe and thriving in a cosmic amniotic sac, floating in the womb of space.

And this baby's water is about to break.