

which Oard is flaunting is consistently absent in the standard lists of logical fallacies. It is missing, for example, in Wikipedia's 'List of fallacies' which includes more than 100 entries.⁶ It is nothing more than another 'red herring' on Oard's part to distract attention from the main topic of discussion.

Finally, Oard invites me to explain how there could have been more than 58,000 impacts by objects over 30 km in diameter on the moon while earth remained relatively untouched during the Flood. My answer is simple. The work of the RATE team shows that these impacts on the moon did not occur during the year of the Flood.⁷

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A call for research into two areas

I believe that there are two areas of research that could bear much fruit for biblical creation ministry and Flood modelling, but which are largely outside of my area of expertise, so I am calling on our broader community to help in these areas if possible.

First, I believe that the often Grand Canyon-scale sub-oceanic canyons along most continental shelves are powerful evidence for the receding stage of the global Flood. In some instances, such as at the mouth of the Hudson River near New York and off the coast of Monterey Bay in California, there are strong indications of past large rivers coming out of these canyons and flowing at the bottom of the ocean, sometimes terminating in deltas. Surely these sometimes miles-wide river beds must have formed when the bottom of the oceans lay exposed toward the tail end of the Flood. Since the topology of the ocean is now freely available to everyone with the internet on Google maps, it has never been easier for us to follow this line of research. Not only is this evidence for the Flood, but it must be specifically explained by our Flood models, and it has an impact on our reconstructions of what was taking place during the receding phase of the Flood.

Second, I believe that more research is needed for what would happen if huge quantities of steam condensed very high in the atmosphere. It seems that if this steam was able to condense at very high altitudes where air pressure is very low, then the newly-condensed water would fall as rain at a temperature that is compatible with pre-Flood oceanic life, perhaps as cool as 80° to 90°F (27° to 32°C). Furthermore, it seems likely that massive amounts of steam would have been generated when water came into contact with the cooling newly-emplaced ocean floor, flood basalts, granites, etc. This steam could have conceivably transferred massive amounts of heat from these cooling rocks. Finally, there seem to be at least some hints in the scientific literature that condensing steam actually releases energy as electromagnetic radiation under some conditions, which could then have radiated out into space from

the top of the atmosphere and thereby removed massive amounts of heat from the surface of the earth. The criticism that the Flood would have boiled the oceans several times over loses its teeth if the steam could condense to relatively cool water at high altitudes and fall back to earth as quickly as it was generated.



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Errata

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Clarke, P., The Stele of Merneptah—assessment of the final 'Israel' strophe and its implications for chronology

An incorrect glyph was used in the last sentence of p. 60. The sentence should read:

“Consider how the Egyptians referred to themselves  and compare it to how they wrote Israel .