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Flood Story (Name / Culture / Etc.)	Why Did the Flood Happen?	Who Causes Flood (God / Gods?)	Main Character Spared & Why	How Did ⇐ They Survive?	Lesson(s) of the Story?
Epic of Gilgamesh, Tablet XI - Sumerian					
Book of Genesis (Old Testament) - Judaism / Christianity					
Yellowstone Valley & the Great Flood (Cheyenne)					
The Great Serpent & the Great Flood (Chippewa)					
Matsya, the Fish Avatar Of Vishnu, Saves the World from Flooding (Hindu - Two Versions)					

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Small Group Discussion Questions

1. Briefly explain several SIMILARITIES you noticed among MOST or ALL of the Great Flood stories you read:
2. Briefly explain several (hopefully important) DIFFERENCES you noticed between the various Great Flood stories:
3. Speculate as to why some of these differences happened. (Be as specific as possible - consider specific geographical or cultural realities, the nature of the various faiths involved (if known), or anything else you think might actually make sense.)
4. Briefly explain (hopefully interesting) similarities and differences between the apparent LESSONS or PURPOSES of the various Great Flood stories. How might these different “messages” impact how people understood their world / lives?