

*The earth is the Lord's, and the fulness thereof; the world, and they that dwell therein.  
For he hath founded it upon the seas, and established it upon the floods. (Psalm 24:1-2)*

Nations have founding fathers. The founders of businesses and industrial enterprises are many. There are founders of religions, not a few. Founders of denominations and churches are a dime a dozen. But the founder of earth is One. He is the owner and founder of all the universe.

Job and his friends receive a sharp rebuke from the Lord for their arrogant presumption of knowledge: "Who is this that darkeneth counsel by words without knowledge? Gird up now thy loins like a man; for I will demand of thee, and answer thou me. Where wast thou when I laid the foundations of the earth? declare, if thou hast understanding. Who hath laid the measures thereof, if thou knowest? or who hath stretched the line upon it? Whereupon are the foundations thereof fastened? or who hath laid the corner stone thereof....?" (Job 38).

The Bible has more geological accuracy than most scientists are willing to admit. The psalmist asserts that God founded the earth upon the seas and established it upon the flood. It cannot be denied that this earth was brought forth out of waters. There is not a mountain in existence that does not bear testimony of its previous immersion. And were the mountains once again leveled and the seas brought up even with their beaches, the earth would again be inundated. It is God Who keeps the seas in their bounds and the earth standing out of the waters.

It is also a known fact that our dry earth "floats" on subterranean waters. When the waters are pumped out, the earth subsides, sinks. The earth is founded upon the waters.

There is a further spiritual lesson for us in this. The earth, together with all they who have their hope and confidence in this present earth, rest on unstable waters. Such are little better than so much flotsam tossed about with restless waves. But those who put their faith and trust in Christ are founded upon a Rock. The eternal, immovable, unchangeable, unshakable Rock of Ages, the Lord, Jesus Christ.

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