

- Compare with Green's "Prodigal Son" analogy - a classic!
- How stupid the redactor must have been to put in Midianites-Ishmaelites "contradiction"! Like Texans and American merchants. Let the critic prove a contradiction between Midianites and Ishmaelites.
- Conclusion: Our uncertainty of certain details or even our uncertainty of proper order is not proof of document tampering.

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 Carpenter and Harford - "The Composition of the Hexateuch" -- good higher criticism.

- I Sam 6:14-15 - Not an "editorial insertion" but the end of a general story and an entry into particulars. Levites not said to have offered the sacrifice but rather the Beth-Shemeshites. Critics say insertion made to have Levites on scene to make offering. Baloney! Partly chronological and partly logical narrative.

- Gen 7-8

J - No command to build ark - did God lower one from heaven?

P - Ark made

Both record entry.

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J - Noah looked and saw dry ground and built an altar. (In the

P - Noah comes out.

Addis - "male and female" should be "man and his wife" Gen 7:2  
 (correct - husband and his wife)

- Here is an A-1 example of critical brazenness! To get two complete stories you have to mix everything up and create redactor oddities - this is not proof but assumptions used to prove a theory.

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 Flood: Much repetition - many times more than twice - if repetition is measure of number of documents, why not more writers. If the critics will not follow this system then they must admit that repetition is characteristic of the Hebrews and cannot serve as an indication for partition. Therefore parallel passages is not a true measure. Further, the type of continuous narrative they produce also isn't valid. This repetition is a type of artistry to try to convey the vivid feeling of the magnitude of the wickedness of man, the anger of God, the comprehensiveness of the flood, etc. Also, sometimes critics have to say redactor changed name of God, etc. Repetitions within single documents -- Addis.

J	P
Gen 6:9	Gen 6:11
7:13	6:12
10:1	6:13
8:2	6:18
8:3b	6:19
8:5	6:20
8:13a	

- Babylonian Document - Is flood story derived from old Babylonian legends? - Powerful God decides to put an end to annoying people. Rival God lets it out to ~~reed~~ ~~had~~ which warns a man who builds a boat, hires pilot, navigator and captain.
- has compassion on dying humanity.