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Final Paper Proposal

Genesis chapter 6 and 7 is a narrative that describes the destruction of the earth with water. Noah was the protagonist chosen by God to build an ark. Noah's family and a pair of every animal were saved in the ark. The other people and animals who were not secured in the ark would be destroyed. I will compare the Noah and the Ark biblical narrative to the Gilgamesh epic flood. This setting for the Gilgamesh epic flood narrative was set in Babylon about 700 BC. The god Enlil decides to destroy the world with a flood because humans were too noisy. I will be able to discuss the destruction of humans by gods which were parallel in both myths. Noah was the hero in the biblical myth and Utnapishtim was the hero in the Gilgamesh flood myth. I have compiled a list of possible resources that will be used for the final paper.

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