

Corruption of Seed Line Genesis 6:1-8

I. Coming Judgment

1. As predicted by Enoch – Jude 14-15
2. As promised with Methuselah's name
After he is gone, judgment
God's grace extending 969 years
3. Extreme wickedness on earth – Gen. 6:5
"Every intention of the thoughts of his heart
was only evil continually" – Gen. 6:11-13
4. So evil that God must cleanse the earth
With a world-wide flood
5. What was the extent of this evil?

II. Sons of God – 6:1-2

1. Who are these sons of God?
There are 3 main views
 - (1) Sons of Seth intermarrying with line of Cain
Avoids some questions but raises others
Why would this produce "Nephilim" – 6:4
Giants – mighty men – men of renown
 - (2) Rulers who regarded as gods
As in mythology but not so defined in Scripture
If humans, offspring still a problem
 - (3) Fallen angels
2. O.T. use of the term "sons of God"
Angels accountable to God – Job 1:6; 2:1
Satan was included in this passage
Fallen angels may still fit here
Used of angels in Job 38:7
3. Consider N.T. passages
Fallen angels confined to the pit
2 Peter 2:4-5 – note in flood context
Jude 6-7 – linked with unnatural sex in Sodom
4. Direct attack of Satan on "Seed-line"
If he could corrupt line with demonic forces
God could not bring His Son from that line
Redemption required – a human without spot or blemish
Without personal sin– tested by Satan's temptation
Virgin born - without sin nature from Adam
Truly human – without any element of demonic corruption

III. Daughters of Man – 6:2

1. Satan heard what God said in the Garden – 3:15
Seed of the woman – Gen. 3:15
Note he attacks – daughters of men
2. These super-human "men" were attractive
They were able to produce "men of renown"
Perhaps even attractive to parents
Who saw all of their super-human qualities
3. Remember they appear as "angels of light"
2 Corinthians 11:14-15 speaks of this

4. So humans yielded to Satanic forces
5. Words of Jesus – Matt. 22:29-30
He spoke about marriage in heaven
Angels in heaven do not marry
Does not speak of fallen angels who left their position
6. This union in Gen. 6 gives reason for flood
Angels were judged and humans were judged
Human DNA would soon become corrupt
7. All named in Gen. 5 were dead
Note; Lamech died before his son – 5:30-31
Noah, blameless in his generation – 6:9; 7:1
8. Septuagint translates as "angels of God"
This is Greek translation of Hebrew O.T.

IV. God's Judgment Promised – 6:3-4

1. God grants an interval in grace – 3
There is a limit of time for man
"My Spirit shall not abide in man forever"
"For he is flesh: his days shall be 120 years"
There will be time while ark is built
Noah is called a "herald of righteousness" – 2Pet. 2:5
God's patience waited while "ark was being prepared"
1 Pet. 3:20
2. Nephilim must also be judged – 4
This is a mixed race not in God's image
Offspring of demons and humans
They were giants – mighty men
They were superhuman – demonic power
What does this do to God's eternal plan?
His design for humans in His image
3. Humans yield to Satan's powers – 5-6
Humans are guilty & must be judged
His heart produces evil continually -5
God was grieved with man's response – 6
4. God's purpose in judgment – 7
Human corruption must not continue
Without man to care for animals must die also
5. But God's judgment is with hope – 8
Noah found favor in the eyes of the Lord