

Genesis 6:1-7 – 5 September 2019

“Reasons For The First Global Judgement”

Introduction –

Gen 1-2 – Story of Creation

Gen 3 – The Fall of Man

But also, the plan of redemption

Gen 4-5 – The Fall of Civilization

Cain & Abel (Murder, lying)

Cain’s descendant Lamech (Sexual sin, Pride)

Now, God plans to wipe out the earth and start over with Noah.

God judges not because “God got it wrong and now He’s going to fix it”.

God judges because “God always gives a second chance”.

In Gen 6:1-7 God gives us the reasons for the coming judgement of the Flood

Even if you've gone to church for years, you may hear things that you've never been taught before.

1. The non-Christian often avoids the truth of God b/c it's against their desires.
 - a. II Tim 3:1-7 esp vs 7 – Ever learning and never able to come to knowledge of truth.
2. The Christian should delight in coming to the truth no matter where it leads b/c God is good and His truth sets us free.
 - a. Mark 4:9-11 esp 11 – Unto you it is given...
3. Quote – Edmund Spencer *“There is a principle which is a bar against all information, which is proof against all argument and which cannot fail to keep man in everlasting ignorance. That principle is condemnation before investigation.”*
4. Prov 18:13 – Don't answer a matter b4 hearing.
5. Try to look at this with fresh eyes.

Let your fresh eyes look, not at what I'm saying, but at what the Word is teaching. Be a Berean.

#1 reason is genetic manipulation of human race.

Read Vs 1-2

1. Who are the “Sons of God?”
 - a. Men are called the sons of men
 - b. Only things called “Sons of God” are direct creations of God.
 - i. Adam was called a son of God (Luke 3:38)
 - ii. The angels (Job 1:6, 2:1, 38:7)
 - iii. Born-again Christians (John 1:11-12)
 - iv. The term is almost always used of angels.
2. The angels “took” and “chose”, no choice.
3. Some teach “Sons of God” = descendants of Seth & “Daughters of Men” = descendants Cain.
 - a. The text says they are the daughters of Adam, in general.
 - b. This idea doesn't answer the question, “Who are the Nephilim (giants) in vs 4?”

Read Vs 3

1. God strives with man b/c He's not willing that any should perish.
2. God here declares 120 yrs until calamity comes

Read Vs 4

1. Giants = *Nephilim* –root of “the fallen ones”.
 - a. The offspring of angels and women.
 - b. Known as “mighty men”.
2. The phrase “and also after that”.
 - a. The flood didn't end the problem.
3. Noah in vs 9
 - a. He was “perfect” in his generations.
 - i. Almost always used of physically perfect.

In the mouth of 2 or 3 witnesses a thing is established

Jude 6-7

1. “Left their own (habitation)”
 - a. Only other use is (II Cor 5:2)
 - b. They shed their spiritual body as we long for our spiritual body.
2. Vs 7 – “Even as Sodom & Gomorrha” was into sexual sin.
 - a. The fallen angels (demons) in like manner.

II Peter 2:4-5 (also I Pet 3:19-20)

1. The angels that sinned are linked again to the days of Noah.
2. These angels didn't go to hell but to tartaros.

God's plan of redemption was to come thru “the seed of the woman” (Gen 3:15), so Satan wants to ruin it.

Satan continually wants to destroy the Godly line.

Read Vs 5

#2 reason that God brought the Flood is men were only evil continually

1. Set up Matt 24 – Jesus’ confidential briefing.
2. Jesus said in Matt 24:37-38 – as in the days of Noah, so also it shall be in the days of His coming.
 - a. This specifically applies to the fleshly lifestyle but could also apply to the rise of fallen angels again.
 - b. People were living in ignorance and unbelief.
 - c. People were busy about filling the flesh.
3. But is this really ‘evil’ to be just thinking of yourself?
 - a. Turn to II Tim 3:1-7
4. We need to be watching and be ready.
 - a. There’s a verse in Luke’s account the fits right after, “As it was in the days of Noah...”
 - b. Read Luke 21:34

Read Vs 6-7

1. The author is speaking here in human language to explain the divine God.
2. This doesn't mean that creation was out of control or not going according to plan.
 - a. This is meant to show that depth of God's care for His creation, for us.
 - b. God always know of the rebellion that would come b/c of choice, but also comes love!

I want to talk about water and fire (1st Judgement = Water & 2nd Judgement = Fire)

1. Water and fire are a washing or cleansing of different degrees or greatness.
 - a. Read Num 31:23 – Levitical Law
 - b. Read Matt 3:11 – Which baptism is greater
2. Jesus told a parable in Matt 13:44
 - a. What is He referring to?

- b. Rev 5 shows Jesus taking back the title deed to the earth.
3. Jesus, at the flood, has washed the earth and given a second chance.
4. As Peter tells us, Jesus will once again bring the final judgement by fire.
 - a. Turn to II Pet 3:10-13
 - b. Peter asks, “What manner of people ought we to be in holy living?”
 - c. Turn to I Cor 3:9-15
5. So, Jesus bought this whole earth, with His life’s blood, to get you, His treasure.
 - a. Won’t you live for Him.
 - b. All our works that that are good will endure the fire and be rewarded.
 - i. So we can give the rewards back to Him.
6. You survive a global flood by having something. (An ark) You survive a global fire by being something. (A born-again believer)

Conclusion –

So today we've challenged you to...

1. Let the scripture teach you what it may, regardless of anything else.

Today we've seen the 2 reasons for the coming judgement of the flood.

1. #1 reason was genetic manipulation of the human race.
2. #2 reason was men were only evil continually.

We've also seen how this applies to the 2nd Coming of Christ Jesus

1. The water has given us all a second chance.
This fire is coming.
2. Jesus paid it all just to purchase YOU.
3. Even our works will be judged by fire.