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# The Book of GENESIS

## Chapter 6

### “The Days of Noah!”

To begin let's read **Matthew 24:36-42** and study the words of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. He has told us to understand the “*days of Noah*,” whereas, we will recognize the *Last days* before the *rapture of the church*, then comes God's **judgment, the “Great Tribulation”**, and the **Second Coming of CHRIST!**

#### **> Insight #1 - Satan Corrupts the Human Race! (v1-4)**

(v1-2) There are three primary views on the identity of the “*sons of God*”:

- (1) they are fallen angels, or
- (2) they are powerful human rulers, or
- (3) they are godly descendants of Seth intermarrying with wicked descendants of Cain.

- The Bible declares that these **fallen angels left their first estate:**

**Jude 6-7 - *And the angels who did not keep their proper domain, but left their own abode, He has reserved in everlasting chains under darkness for the judgment of the great day; as Sodom and Gomorrah, and the cities around them in a similar manner to these, having given themselves over to sexual immorality and gone after strange flesh, are set forth as an example, suffering the vengeance of eternal fire.***

**Also in 2 Peter 2:4-10 - *For if God did not spare the angels who sinned, but cast them down to hell (Tartarus) and delivered them into chains of darkness, to be reserved for judgment; and did not spare the ancient world, but saved Noah, one of eight people, a preacher of righteousness, bringing in the flood on the world of the ungodly; and turning the cities of Sodom and Gomorrah into ashes, condemned them to destruction, making them an example to those who afterward would live ungodly; and delivered righteous Lot, who was oppressed by the filthy conduct of the wicked (for that righteous man, dwelling among them, tormented his righteous soul from day to day by seeing and hearing their lawless deeds) — then the Lord knows how to deliver the godly out of temptations and to reserve the unjust under punishment for the day of judgment, and especially those who walk according to the flesh in the lust of uncleanness and despise authority.***

(v3) **God's Spirit would no longer strive with the flesh of man, what is the flesh of man like?** God said that man has 120 years to repent, then comes the global judgment of the flood. In **1 Peter 3:18-20 - *For Christ also suffered once for sins, the just for the unjust, that He might bring us to God, being put to death in the flesh but made alive by the Spirit, by whom also He went and preached to the spirits in prison, who formerly were disobedient, when once the Divine longsuffering waited in the days of Noah, while the ark was being prepared, in which a few, that is, eight souls, were saved through water.***

(v4) We talked about the *giants (nephilim)* and “*sons of God*” in verse 1.

- C. Fred Dickason in his doctrinal book on *Angels: Elect & Evil*

#### **> Insight #2 – Observe Mankind's Wickedness and Corruption! (v5-7)**

(v5-7) The Hebrew word for “*wickedness*” is “*ra*” which means man was *bad, wicked, evil, vicious injurious and wrong!* What will man be like in the last days?

- Dr. Henry Morris summarizes 15 characteristics regarding Noah's day and the “*latter days*”, that is our days before God's judgment:

- (1) Preoccupation with physical appetites (Lk. 17:27)
- (2) Rapid advances in technology (Gen. 4:22; Daniel 12:4)
- (3) Grossly materialistic attitudes and interests (Lk. 17:28)
- (4) Uniformitarian philosophies (Heb. 11:7)
- (5) Inordinate devotion to pleasure and comfort (Gen 4:21)
- (6) No concern for God in either belief or conduct (2 Peter 2:5; Jude 15)
- (7) Disregard for the sacredness of the marriage relation (Mt. 24:38)
- (8) Rejection of the inspired Word of God (1 Peter 3:19)

- (9) Population explosion (Gen. 6:1, 11)
- (10) Widespread violence (Gen. 6:11,13)
- (11) Corruption throughout society (Gen. 6:12)
- (12) Preoccupation with illicit sex activity (Gen. 4:19; 6:2)
- (13) Widespread words and thoughts of blasphemy (Jude 15)
- (14) Organized Satanic activity (Gen. 6:1-4)
- (15) Promulgation of systems and movements of abnormal depravity (Gen. 6:5,12).

- **More insight regarding the days of Noah and today?**

**1) MORAL CORRUPTION!** – Genesis 6:5, 11-12; Jesus said in **Matthew 24:12** – “*iniquity (lawlessness) will abound*” – (N.T.- **1 Corinthians 6:9-10** - *Do you not know that the unrighteous will not inherit the kingdom of God? Do not be deceived. Neither fornicators, nor idolaters, nor adulterers, nor homosexuals, nor sodomites, nor thieves, nor covetous, nor drunkards, nor revilers, nor extortioners will inherit the kingdom of God.*)

**(2) TERRIBLE VIOLENCE!** - Genesis 6:11-13; **2 Timothy 3:1-5** - *But know this, **that in the last days perilous times will come**: For men will be lovers of themselves, lovers of money, boasters, proud, blasphemers, disobedient to parents, unthankful, unholy, unloving, unforgiving, slanderers, without self-control, brutal, despisers of good, traitors, headstrong, haughty, lovers of pleasure rather than lovers of God, having a form of godliness but denying its power. And from such people turn away!*)

**(3) DEMONIC DECEPTION!** – Genesis 6:2-4; NOTE: The term “*sons of God*” is used for angels in Job 1:6; 2:1; 38:4-7; Psalm 34:7; Daniel 3:24-25; cf. 2 Peter 2:4-5; Jude 6-7 (N.T. - **1 Timothy 4:1-4** - ***Now the Spirit expressly says that in latter times some will depart from the faith, giving heed to deceiving spirits and doctrines of demons, speaking lies in hypocrisy, having their own conscience seared with a hot iron, forbidding to marry, and commanding to abstain from foods which God created to be received with thanksgiving by those who believe and know the truth.***

**Revelation 9:20-21**- *But the rest of mankind, who were not killed by these plagues, did not repent of the works of their hands, **that they should not worship demons, and idols of gold, silver, brass, stone, and wood, which can neither see nor hear nor walk. And they did not repent of their murders or their sorceries or their sexual immorality or their thefts.***)

**(4) THE TIME IS SHORT!** – Genesis 6:3 (N.T.- **Judgment is imminent!** - **Matthew 24:21-22** - *For then there will be great tribulation, such as has not been since the beginning of the world until this time, no, nor ever shall be. **And unless those days were shortened, no flesh would be saved;** but for the elect's sake those days will be shortened.* (I Peter 3:20; II Peter 3:8-9)

**(5) GLOBAL DISASTERS!** – Genesis 6:13, 17 (N.T.- **Matthew 24:7-8** - *For nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom. And there will be famines, pestilences, and earthquakes in various places. All these are the beginning of sorrows.* (Revelation chapters 6 – 19; II Peter 3:10-12)

### **> Insight #3 - Noah Found Grace in the Eyes of the LORD! (v8-22)**

(v8-13) Knowing NOAH, Know Yourself:

- Noah found GRACE in the eyes of the LORD – Ephesians 2:8 says, “*For by grace you have been saved through faith*”

- Noah was a “JUST” - *what is complete or entirely in accord with TRUTH and FACT!*

- Noah was “PERFECT” - *RIGHT, CORRECT, LAWFUL*; while the rest of the world was corrupt and filled with violence.

(v14-16) C. I. Schofield writes in regards to the ark, “The dimensions of the ark are themselves an evidence of the accuracy of the Scriptures. On the basis of a cubit as 18 inches, the ark was 450 ft. long with a beam of 75 ft. and a depth of 45 ft. Similar to the proportions of a modern ocean liner.” Naval engineers have discovered that the dimensions and shape of the ark form the most stable ship design known. The ark was not designed for maneuverability but for stability, in order to best protect those within it.

**(NOAH’S ARK VIDEO)**

**(v17-21) This was not a local flood; all flesh on earth will die except Noah, his family, and the select animals.** God made a “covenant” with Noah, Christ Jesus our Lord has made a “covenant” with us **Luke 22:20-21 - He also took the cup after supper, saying, "This cup is the new covenant in My blood, which is shed for you."**

**(v22) NOAH was a man of FAITH & OBEDIENCE, may we do the same, “Thus Noah did; according to all that God commanded him, so he did.”**

**- John, the beloved, writes in regards to Jesus and “grace” in John 1:14-17 - And the Word became flesh and dwelt among us, and we beheld His glory, the glory as of the only begotten of the Father, full of grace and truth. John bore witness of Him and cried out, saying, "This was He of whom I said, 'He who comes after me is preferred before me, for He was before me.'" And of His fullness we have all received, and grace for grace. For the law was given through Moses, but grace and truth came through Jesus Christ.**

~ **Max Lucado, author and Bible teacher writes,** “Grace does not stop once we are saved; God is gracious to us for the rest of our lives, working within and upon us. The Bible encourages us with many additional benefits that grace secures for every believer:

- Grace justifies us before a holy God (Romans 3:24; Ephesians 1:6; Titus 3:7).
- Grace provides us access to God to communicate and fellowship with Him (Ephesians 1:6; Hebrews 4:16).
- Grace wins for us a new relationship of intimacy with God (Exodus 33:17).
- Grace disciplines and trains us to live in a way that honors God (Titus 2:11–14; 2 Corinthians 8:7).
- Grace grants us immeasurable spiritual riches (Proverbs 10:22; Ephesians 2:7).
- Grace helps us in our every need (Hebrews 4:16).
- Grace is the reason behind our every deliverance (Psalms 44:3–8; Hebrews 4:16).
- Grace preserves us and comforts, encourages, and strengthens us (2 Corinthians 13:14; 2 Thessalonians 2:16–17; 2 Timothy 2:1).

As the recipients of God’s grace, Christians are to be gracious to others. Grace is given to us to serve others and to exercise our spiritual gifts for the building up of the church (Romans 12:6; Ephesians 3:2, 7; 4:7; 1 Peter 4:10).”