

Genesis 6 New American Standard Bible

The Corruption of Mankind

Now it came about, when mankind began to multiply on the face of the land, and daughters were born to them, ² that the sons of God saw that the daughters of mankind were beautiful; and they took wives for themselves, whomever they chose. ³ Then the Lord said, “My Spirit will not remain with man forever, because he is also flesh; nevertheless his days shall be 120 years.”

⁴ The Nephilim were on the earth in those days, and also afterward, when the sons of God came in to the daughters of mankind, and they bore children to them. Those were the mighty men who *were* of old, men of renown.

⁵ Then the Lord saw that the wickedness of mankind was great on the earth, and that every intent of the thoughts of their hearts was only evil continually. ⁶ So the Lord was sorry that He had made mankind on the earth, and He was grieved in His heart. ⁷ Then the Lord said, “I will wipe out mankind whom I have created from the face of the land; mankind, and animals as well, and crawling things, and the birds of the sky. For I am sorry that I have made them.” ⁸ But Noah found favor in the eyes of the Lord.

⁹ These are *the records of* the generations of Noah. Noah was a righteous man, blameless in his generation. Noah walked with God. ¹⁰ And Noah fathered three sons: Shem, Ham, and Japheth.

¹¹ Now the earth was corrupt in the sight of God, and the earth was filled with violence. ¹² And God looked on the earth, and behold, it was corrupt; for humanity had corrupted its way upon the earth.

¹³ Then God said to Noah, “The end of humanity has come before Me; for the earth is filled with violence because of people; and behold, I am about to destroy them with the earth.

¹⁴ Make for yourself an ark of gopher wood; you shall make the ark with compartments, and cover it inside and out with pitch. ¹⁵ This is how you shall make it: the length of the ark *shall be* three hundred cubits, its width fifty cubits, and its height thirty cubits. ¹⁶ You shall make a window for the ark, and finish it to a cubit from the top; and put the door of the ark on the side; you shall make it with lower, second, and third decks.

¹⁷ Now behold, I Myself am bringing the flood of water upon the earth, to destroy all flesh in which there is the breath of life, from under heaven; everything that is on the earth shall perish. ¹⁸ But I will establish My covenant

with you; and you shall enter the ark—you, your sons, your wife, and your sons' wives with you.

¹⁹ And of every living thing of all flesh, you shall bring two of every *kind* into the ark, to keep *them* alive with you; they shall be male and female. ²⁰ Of the birds according to their kind, and of the animals according to their kind, of every crawling thing of the ground according to its kind, two of every *kind* will come to you to keep *them* alive. ²¹ As for you, take for yourself some of every food that is edible, and gather *it* to yourself; and it shall be food for you and them.” ²² So Noah did *these things*; according to everything that God had commanded him, so he did.

We will use five tools on our expedition that are built around five questions

What questions were provoked within you?

Did anything confuse you?

Did anything move you emotionally?

Did God instruct you to do something?

Did you gain any insight into God's character?

Some of the arguments

The identity of the Nephilim is disputed.

They were large and strong;

The word *Nephilim* is loosely translated [*giants*](#)

The word Nephilim is found in [Genesis 6:1-6](#) and [Numbers 13:33](#).

Nephilim is often translated as "fallen ones" fallen angels.

Sons of God" and the "daughters of men

One view is that fallen angels had relations with the "*daughters of men*," which resulted in a part human, part supernatural being – the Nephilim.

Second view is that demons or fallen angels possessed men, then had relations with the "*daughters of men*," resulting in the Nephilim.

A third view is called the Sethite view it defines the "*sons of God*" as the righteous line of Seth.

A fourth view held is the "*sons of God*" were simply fallen men.

Fallen angels are spiritual beings; it's not possible that they can produce offspring with fleshly beings.

Nephilim were human children possessed by fallen angels

Nephilim were offspring of fallen men

Sons of God" were godly men who married ungodly women. Not from the line of Seth – just common

Why Are the Nephilim on Earth after the Flood?

One view the Nephilim were giants, offspring of fallen angels (sons of God), and human women, so fallen angels simply continued to reproduce with human women after the flood.

Another answer would be: The sons of God are fallen men. After the flood, different godly men had relations with different ungodly women and reproduced the Nephilim once again.

1. Who are the sons of God?
2. The saddest thing recorded in the bible has to be 'God was sorry He had ever made man.'
3. The multiplication of the human race was in full flight.
4. Some have said 'the sons of God are fallen angels'. What do you think?
5. Supposedly these sons of God took for themselves wives, meaning had intercourse, to produce children, not that they were committed in a husband/wife relationship.
6. The word says 'whoever they chose to take' and 'as many as they desired'.
7. The first dispensation of the human race is coming to an end, God is preparing the world for judgement.
8. God says 'My spirit will not strive with mans forever'.
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10. God has had enough and intends to wipe out man from the face of the earth.
11. The bible tells us God is Spirit, He is not flesh, we are flesh, soul and spirit, God is Spirit and Soul, not flesh.
12. Fallen angels are not flesh they are spirit.
13. God pronounced a time limit on the life span of a man, it will be 120 years.
14. Who are the Nephilim?
15. The sons of God have taken for themselves wives and produced children.
16. So are the sons of God fallen angels? Personally I don't believe so as angels are spirits and not fleshly beings.
17. Unless there is a possession of the man, as is demon possession of a man who produced children possessed
18. God sees the wickedness of man; He declares whatever they do they are wicked.
19. He says all they desire to do is do evil.
20. The grieving of the heart of the Father is a sad situation.
21. The words of God fall from His lips as He says 'let there be' now He is saying 'mans end is near'.

22. Not only human beings but all beings created came under the curse of judgement.
23. The only man who was an exception to the rest was Noah, who found favour in God's eyes.
24. Noah became the salvation gift for the preservation of the human race.
25. Noah was aligned to God's will and God's ways, so he is known as righteous and he walked with God unlike the rest.
26. The earth as far as God was concerned had become corrupted, it was full of violence.
27. It was the act of all flesh that corrupted the earth.
28. God exposes Noah to His plans to destroy the earth and everything that breathed.
29. He declares He will save Noah and His family, having destroyed the earth He intends to start again through Noah.
30. God gives to Noah the specific dimensions of the ark, it was a very large vessel and it was made in the desert when there was no rain.
31. The destruction of the earth is coming by way of a flood up from within the earth.
32. God intends to destroy everything, except the seed of His new beginning.
33. God covenants with Noah a promise to him and his family.
34. God instructs for two of every kind of creature to be preserved, using the production process provided by him from the beginning.
35. The reason God did this was to preserve the species, God instructs Noah to prepare the provision for the encounter.
36. Noah obeyed God and acted in God's will.