## Giants On Earth – Genesis 6:1-7

Genesis 6:1-4 [New King James] "Now it came to pass, when men began to multiply on the face of the earth, and daughters were born to them, that the sons of God saw the daughters of men, that they were beautiful; and they took wives for themselves of all whom they chose. And the LORD said, 'My Spirit shall not strive with man forever, for he is indeed flesh; yet his days shall be one hundred and twenty years.' There were giants on the earth in those days, and also afterward, when the sons of God came in to the daughters of men and they bore children to them. Those were the mighty men who were of old, men of renown."

"Sons of God" is this referring to angels?

Is this why there were "giants on the earth"?

The simple answer to both the above questions is No!

**Hebrews 1:14** [NIV] "Are they not all ministering spirits sent forth to minister for those who will inherit salvation?"

Angels [verse 13] are created spirit beings, not made of mortal flesh like human beings.

As spirit beings, angels do **not** reproduce by sexual intercourse or any other means, [Luke 20:34-36; Matthew 22:30; Mark 12:25].

Angels **cannot** cohabit with women or reproduce because angels and humans are two different kinds, and the laws that the Creator set in motion is that each produce only after its own kind [**Genesis 1:24-25**]. Two different Biblical kinds **cannot** gender sexually.

This is one of the most thoroughly established laws of science.

God did not intend angels to be His sons, [Hebrews 1:5].

With this understanding let us now re-read **Genesis 6:1-4**.

The "sons of God" took wives. Since they married women, they cannot be angels. Note also that God refers to them as "men" in verse 3.

Genesis 6:5-7 [New King James] "Then the LORD saw that the wickedness of man was great in the earth, and that every intent of the thoughts of his heart was only evil continually. And the LORD was sorry that He had made man on the earth, and He was grieved in His heart. So the LORD said, 'I will destroy man whom I have created from the face of the earth, both man and beast, creeping thing and birds of the air, for I am sorry that I have made them.'"

Repeatedly God refers to the wickedness of "man" not in this case angels.

Genesis 7:21-23 [New King James] "And all flesh died that moved on the earth: birds and cattle and beasts and every creeping thing that creeps on the earth, and every man. All in whose nostrils was the breath of the spirit of life, all that was on the dry land, died. So He destroyed all living things which were on the face of the ground: both man and cattle, creeping thing and bird of the air. They were destroyed from the earth. Only Noah and those who were with him in the ark remained alive."

Notice that all air breathing animals and humans were destroyed by the flood, not angels who are spirits that cannot be destroyed by water.

You will notice that in **Genesis 6:1** that daughters were born when the human race began to multiply rapidly. Why the apparent mention of daughters only?

What about the sons that must have been born also?

The human race reproduces at least as many males as females.

**Genesis 4:26** [King James Marginal Translation] "Then men began to call themselves by the name of the eternal."

This explains why Genesis 6 uses the phrase "sons of God" when speaking of human beings.

Prior to the flood and the increase in wickedness on the earth in pre-flood days, there were men and women actually living obedient and God-fearing lives.

They were born of the righteous line of Seth.

The rest of humanity, especially the descendants of Cain, sought after nothing but the satisfaction of their own sensual appetite.

They hated and murdered, lusted and committed acts of fornication and adultery.

Jesus Christ referred to their ungodly way of life in Matthew 24:38.

There came a time, however, when the righteous line of Seth and the line of Cain began to consider intermarriage.

**Genesis 6:2** [King James] "That the sons of God saw the daughters of men were fair [meaning Seth's line was physically blond and attractive. The line of Cain, by contrast, were of dark complexion.]"

Their father Cain, looked upon himself as the source of his own authority, that is, put himself in God's place and decided for himself what was right and wrong, as Satan caused first Eve then Adam to do, [Genesis 3:1-7].

Cain made himself a god [mighty man – verse 4] and his children perpetuated the idea.

So they came to be known proverbially as the "sons of God."

Feeling inferior to Seth's line [in Eve's thoughts to be a replacement for the murdered righteous Abel who had been murdered by Cain – **Genesis 4:25-26**].

So Cain's line intermarried with Seth's line, "they took them wives of all which they chose."

The result was Seth's descendants departed from living the righteous life that God desired.

They violated a very important principle, which God inspired the apostle Paul to record for us.

**2 Corinthians 6:14** [King James] "Do not be unequally yoked together with unbelievers. For what fellowship has righteousness with lawlessness? And what communion has light with darkness?"

These ungodly unions resulted in a wholesale departure from God's way of life within a very short period of time, [Genesis 6:5].

**Genesis 6:8-9** [New King James] "But Noah found grace in the eyes of the LORD. This is the genealogy of Noah. Noah was a just man, perfect in his generations. Noah walked with God."

Only Noah refused to depart from God's way of righteousness.

**Genesis 6:12** [New King James] "So God looked upon the earth, and indeed it was corrupt; for all flesh had corrupted their way on the earth."

No human being would have remained, surviving the flood, if it was not for Noah.

We need to take careful note of these events because of the warning that Jesus Christ gave to all humanity.

Matthew 24:37-39 [New King James] "But as the days of Noah were, so also will the coming of the Son of Man be. For as in the days before the flood, they were eating and drinking, marrying and giving in marriage, until the day that Noah entered the ark, and did not know until the flood came and took them all away, so also will the coming of the Son of Man be."

The same lack of the fear of the true Creator God will cause the same evil and violence and the falling away from righteousness among God's people, Christians.

Again the Creator God will have to give strong correction to all humanity, [Matthew 24:22] and start again with a small group of true Christians to bring about His Kingdom on earth. This time an everlasting kingdom under the rule of Jesus Christ at His Second Coming.

Pray that the day may soon dawn and that you may find yourself among "the elect" as Noah was before the flood.