GENESIS

CLASS 6 - GENESIS 6F

Now it came about, when men began to multiply on the face of the land, and daughters were born to them, that the sons of God saw that the daughters of men were beautiful; and they took wives for themselves, whomever they chose.

Then the Lord said, "My Spirit shall not strive with man forever, because he also is flesh; nevertheless his days shall be one hundred and twenty years."

The Nephilim were 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.

- ♦ SO WHO ARE THESE SONS OF GOD?
- ♦ OR THE DAUGHTERS OF MEN?
- ♦ HOW ABOUT THE NEPHILIM?
- ♦ WHY WAS GOD ANGRY ABOUT THE SONS MARRYING THE DAUGHTERS?

A COMMON MYTH ON THIS SUBJECT

Some believe that the Nephilim were the byproducts of <u>angels</u> (sons of God) intermarrying with human women (daughters of men).

- The verse most commonly attached to this is "And angels that kept not their own principality, but left their proper habitation, he hath kept in everlasting bonds under darkness unto the judgment of the great day." (Jude 6)
- The theory is that rebellious angels fornicated with humans so that they could overthrow God and His plans.
- That is why the Nephilim were such big people and mighty.

<u>IF THIS IS TRUE</u>, WE SHOULD EXPECT TO SEE SEVERAL THINGS:

- 1. The Nephilim to be talked about as a "hybrid" not fully human.
- 2. The term 'sons of God' should be used to refer to angels in other parts of the Bible.

Robert Pershing Wadlow (Feb. 22, 1918 – July 15,1940)

8ft 11.1 inches!

- ♦491 pounds
- ♦ Arm span of 9ft 5.75 inches
- ♦ Shoe size was 37
- ♦ He wore a size 25 ring
- ♦ Consumed an average of 8,000 calories a day!



The Nephilim are described as giants (Num. 13:33).

Does being a big person make you a descendant of demons?

If so, Noah has rebel angel blood in him!

ARE THE NEPHILIM "Hybrids"?

The Nephilim were 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. (Gen. 6:4)

When were the Nephilim on the Earth?

They were on the Earth "in those days"

And also <u>after</u> the sons of God took the daughters of men

This means the Nephilim existed before the intermarrying events, <u>not because</u> <u>of them!</u>

ALSO, Gen. 6:4 says that the Nephilim were MEN.

So who are the 'sons of God'?

As we look at the terminology throughout the Bible, the term 'son of God' is used over and over again to talk about **faithful humans**.

Blessed are the peacemakers: for they shall be called **sons of God**. (Matthew 5:9)

For as many as are led by the Spirit of God, these **are sons of God.** (Romans 8:14) For you are all **sons of God**, through faith, in Christ Jesus. (Galatians 3:26)

You are the sons of the LORD your God. You shall not cut yourselves or make any baldness on your foreheads for the dead. For you are a people holy to the LORD your God, and the LORD has chosen you to be a people for his treasured possession, out of all the peoples who are on the face of the earth. (Deut. 14:1-2)

"Now it came about, when men began to multiply on the face of the land, and daughters were born to them, that the sons of God saw that the daughters of men were beautiful; and they took wives for themselves, whomever they chose."

- The sons of God were righteous men
- The daughters of men were unrighteous women
- The reason God was displeased was His people began choosing to marry not because of character, but because of physical beauty.

They have dealt corruptly with Him; they are no longer His children because they are blemished; they are a crooked and twisted generation. (Deut. 32:5)

GENESIS 6 is the story of what led to the downfall of the human race during Noah's time. It wasn't an angelic attack on mankind. That society was destroyed from within when they compromised morality for beauty and physical attraction. When an entire society values godliness so little, the generations that arise from it will only become more wicked than the previous.