

# **Sons of God**

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## Introduction

In Matthew 24 verse 36 we read the following: "But of that day and hour knoweth no man, no, not the angels of heaven, but my Father only."

This verse tells us that *no created being* knows the day and/or the hour of Christ's return. We are effectively being told that it is dangerous and futile to set specific dates for His return. The moment we begin to speculate in this way, we set ourselves up for discouragement and failure. Christ is here telling us, "Don't do it! Don't speculate! No one knows, nor can they calculate the day and hour of Christ's return!"

With this said, we are certainly encouraged to watch and look out for signs that indicate Christ's imminent return. World events will help us to understand the sign of the times. Notice in verse 37 of this same chapter, Christ tells us:

"But **as the days of Noah** were, so shall also the coming of the Son of man be."

This verse gives us key information about the situation in the world around the time of the return of Christ. Events will take place that will show us that Christ's return is imminent. As children of God, we must know what to expect if we are to be prepared for this momentous event. The questions we must ask ourselves are: What exactly did Christ mean when He said that the world will be in a state the same "as in the days of Noah"? What was it like "in the days of Noah"? What are we to expect to see going on in the world?

In Matthew 24:37 Christ states that history is going to repeat itself. Christ connects events prior to His return with events that took place in the days of Noah. We must understand that it is essential to study these historical events in detail and know what took place then, because that understanding will help us to be better prepared to read the signs of the times of Christ's second coming. Knowing and deeply understanding these events will help to ensure that we are not deceived, and will help us to be better prepared so that we are not caught unawares. In different words, Christ is telling us:

"Beware! This world will again go through a time just like it went through in the days of Noah, and I will have to intervene to stop it from total destruction. This world is about to get so wicked that divine intervention WILL be necessary".

In this booklet we will closely study the scriptures and events that took place in the days of Noah. As this most important subject unfolds before us, we will begin to deeply understand what Christ meant when he uttered the phrase "as in the days of Noah". Our Father keenly wants us to understand this important history, because it is about to repeat itself! This is what Christ states in Matthew 24:37. The Biblical information on this subject that will be discussed in this booklet is sure to astound us.

We must be prepared! While this information *might* initially be hard for some to wrap their mind around, it is a subject that must be proven with an open mind, together with meditation, fasting and fervent prayer. God is letting His people in on some astounding history and prophecy. What a blessing it is to understand the deep things of God (1 Cor. 2:10-16)!

## Chapter 1

### “As in the days of Noah”

The days of Noah encompass the time period that is discussed between Genesis chapters 6 and 9. These three chapters include, but are not limited to, the time of the flood.

The first few chapters of Genesis discuss the creation week, followed by Adam and Even in the Garden of Eden. In Genesis 3:15 we read of a wonderful prophecy that gave hope to the world after Adam and Eve's rebellion. The prophecy revealed in this verse was the promise of the Messiah:

"And I will put enmity between thee and the woman, and between thy seed and her seed; it shall bruise thy head, and thou shalt bruise his heel."

This was thunderous revelation from Almighty God, which promised a Redeemer for mankind! It was a life-changing prophecy that God communicated, which offered a "way out" for mankind. God was revealing His plan. He was announcing that He would send a Son who would redeem the world from past sin, and through whom God would be able to have a spiritual family. Let us, for a moment, think of this revelation from Satan's viewpoint after he heard it. Satan the Devil would have been enraged at the news. He would have been livid; furious! This announcement would have enraged him because he no doubt thought that with the events that he orchestrated in the Garden of Eden, God's plans were thwarted. Satan would have been raging in a demented frenzy at the announcement of God's ambitious plan, which not only completely left Satan out of a future, but which demonstrated that Satan gained absolutely no mileage in taking God's plan off course. Not only did it leave Satan out of the picture, but God was going to use Satan to reach His goal. Whatever Satan planned to do, God

would always use to His advantage. Let us be assured that Satan will *never* thwart God's plan; Satan knows this and it infuriates him. Genesis 3:15 demonstrates a turning point, which resulted in Satan going on the warpath! Satan immediately began devising a plan, which he thought would overthrow God's plan. Let there be no mistake; Satan did register a measure of success in grossly deceiving mankind and causing massive confusion, but God has (and will) always respond with much greater strength to ensure that His plan will succeed irrespective of any deceitful attack Satan might employ.

The next verses in chapter 3 together with the text in chapters 4 and 5 indicate that the earth became progressively wicked. Satan was stepping up his attack and retaliation on the news of a Redeemer (Gen. 3:15). Chapter 4 of the book of Genesis discusses the story of Cain and Abel. Because of jealousy Cain killed his brother and "went out from the presence of the Lord and dwelt in the land of Nod". In chapter 5, the generations are discussed. Enoch is quite prominently mentioned as being an individual who "walked with God" (vs. 22, 24). Chapter 5 ends with Noah coming on the scene, who had three children, Shem, Ham and Japheth.

It is the information that is discussed in Genesis 6 that will help us to understand what Christ meant when He said that the coming of the Son of Man will be "as in the days of Noah". Let us take a close look at the inspired words of this chapter. We will focus our attention on the words of this chapter because it discusses the extent to which Satan went to try to destroy God's plan of sending a Redeemer:

"And it came to pass, when men began to multiply on the face of the earth, and daughters were born unto them, That the **sons of God** saw the daughters of men that they were fair; and they took them wives of all which they chose" (Gen. 6:1-2).

Who are the "sons of God" mentioned in verse 2? Who are

the "daughters of men"? These are important questions that we must understand. Let us continue in verse 3:

"And the Lord said, My spirit shall not always strive with man, for that he also is flesh: yet his days shall be an hundred and twenty years. **There were giants in the earth in those days; and also after that, when [*Strong's 834 = because, as a result of*] the sons of God came in unto the daughters of men [*mankind*], and they bare children to them, the same became mighty men [*giants, warriors*] which were of old, men of renown"** (Gen. 6:3-4).

These are revealing verses. We are here told that because, or as a result of, the sexual union between the "sons of God" and the "daughters of men" there were giants. Giants were the offspring of a perverse sexual union between the "sons of God" and the "daughters of men".

Verse 5 of Genesis 6 continues:

**"And God saw that the wickedness of man was great in the earth, and that every imagination of the thoughts of his heart was only evil continually."**

Mankind continued to devise wickedness. We are told that the thoughts of the heart of man was evil. Wickedness was great! Verse 6 goes on to tell us:

**"And it repented the Lord that he had made man on the earth, and it grieved him at his heart. And the Lord said, I will destroy man whom I have created from the face of the earth; both man, and beast, and the creeping thing, and the fowls of the air; for it repenteth me that I have made them"** (Gen. 6:6-7).

Because of the wickedness on the earth, God wanted to destroy the human race and the animal kingdom. This union between the "sons of God" and the "daughters of men" was so desperately wicked, that it led God to repent for having created

them. This is how bad things got! What was so wrong about this union that led God to such righteous anger? Why did this union result in such atrocities? Thankfully, there was one just individual who did walk with God. His name was Noah:

**"But Noah found grace in the eyes of the Lord.** These *are* the generations of Noah: Noah was a just man *and* perfect in his generations, *and* Noah walked with God. And Noah begat three sons, Shem, Ham, and Japheth" (Gen. 6:8-10).

We will see that through Noah, there was hope. God was about to destroy all flesh upon the earth, but because of a covenant that was made with Noah, God spared him and his family together with an established number of other living flesh. Notice:

**"The earth also was corrupt before God, and the earth was filled with violence. And God looked upon the earth, and, behold, it was corrupt; for all flesh had corrupted his way upon the earth. And God said unto Noah, The end of all flesh is come before me; for the earth is filled with violence through them; and, behold, I will destroy them with the earth.** Make thee an ark of gopher wood; rooms shalt thou make in the ark, and shalt pitch it within and without with pitch. And this *is the fashion* which thou shalt make it *of*: The length of the ark *shall be* three hundred cubits, the breadth of it fifty cubits, and the height of it thirty cubits. A window shalt thou make to the ark, and in a cubit shalt thou finish it above; and the door of the ark shalt thou set in the side thereof; *with* lower, second, and third *stories* shalt thou make it. And, behold, I, even I, do bring a flood of waters upon the earth, to destroy all flesh, wherein *is* the breath of life, from under heaven; *and* every thing that *is* in the earth shall die. **But with thee will I establish my covenant;** and thou shalt come into the ark, thou, and thy sons, and thy wife, and thy sons' wives with thee. And of every living thing of all flesh, two of every *sort* shalt thou bring into the ark, to keep *them* alive with thee; they shall be male and female. Of fowls after their kind, and of

cattle after their kind, of every creeping thing of the earth after his kind, two of every *sort* shall come unto thee, to keep *them* alive. And take thou unto thee of all food that is eaten, and thou shalt gather *it* to thee; and it shall be for food for thee, and for them. Thus did Noah; according to all that God commanded him, so did he" (Gen. 6:11-22).

The union between the "sons of God" and the "daughters of men" led to atrocities on the earth. It led to uncontrolled rebellion against the creation of God. The situation had gotten so corrupt with so much violence against God and His laws, that God grieved and repented that He created mankind. Because Satan inspired this rebellion in the world in an effort to thwart God's plan, God's Word states that He wanted to *destroy all men and animals* from the face of the earth. Man and animals had been corrupted, resulting in God wanting to destroy them through a worldwide flood that He would send upon the earth.

But in all this rebellion and confusion, God found one righteous man - Noah. Because of this man's righteousness, God made a covenant with him. God decided to allow the flood to destroy all flesh on earth *except* for Noah, his family and a predetermined number of animals. Noah's righteousness gave hope to an otherwise sin-sick world!

Let us continue the account in Genesis 7:1-24 to understand the details of how events unfolded:

"And the Lord said unto Noah, Come thou and all thy house into the ark; for thee have I seen righteous before me in this generation. Of every clean beast thou shalt take to thee by sevens, the male and his female: and of beasts that *are* not clean by two, the male and his female. Of fowls also of the air by sevens, the male and the female; to keep seed alive upon the face of all the earth. For yet seven days, and I will cause it to rain upon the earth forty days and forty nights; and every living substance that I have made will I destroy from off the face of

the earth. And Noah did according unto all that the Lord commanded him. And Noah *was* six hundred years old when the flood of waters was upon the earth. And Noah went in, and his sons, and his wife, and his sons' wives with him, into the ark, because of the waters of the flood. Of clean beasts, and of beasts that *are* not clean, and of fowls, and of every thing that creepeth upon the earth, there went in two and two unto Noah into the ark, the male and the female, as God had commanded Noah. And it came to pass after seven days, that the waters of the flood were upon the earth. In the six hundredth year of Noah's life, in the second month, the seventeenth day of the month, the same day were all the fountains of the great deep broken up, and the windows of heaven were opened. And the rain was upon the earth forty days and forty nights. In the selfsame day entered Noah, and Shem, and Ham, and Japheth, the sons of Noah, and Noah's wife, and the three wives of his sons with them, into the ark; they, and every beast after his kind, and all the cattle after their kind, and every creeping thing that creepeth upon the earth after his kind, and every fowl after his kind, every bird of every sort. And they went in unto Noah into the ark, two and two of all flesh, wherein *is* the breath of life. And they that went in, went in male and female of all flesh, as God had commanded him: and the Lord shut him in. And the flood was forty days upon the earth; and the waters increased, and bare up the ark, and it was lift up above the earth. And the waters prevailed, and were increased greatly upon the earth; and the ark went upon the face of the waters. And the waters prevailed exceedingly upon the earth; and all the high hills, that *were* under the whole heaven, were covered. Fifteen cubits upward did the waters prevail; and the mountains were covered. And all flesh died that moved upon the earth, both of fowl, and of cattle, and of beast, and of every creeping thing that creepeth upon the earth, and every man: all in whose nostrils *was* the breath of life, of all that *was* in the dry *land*, died. And every living substance was destroyed which was upon the face of the ground, both man, and cattle, and the creeping things, and the fowl of the heaven; and they were

destroyed from the earth: and Noah only remained *alive*, and they that *were* with him in the ark. And the waters prevailed upon the earth an hundred and fifty days."

Again we must ask ourselves: Who are the "sons of God" and the "daughters of men" discussed in Genesis 6? Why did their union result in an offspring of giants? Why did this result in such gross worldwide evil that it repented God to have created mankind? These questions and more will be studied and discussed in the upcoming chapters of this booklet.

Get ready for more astounding Truth that will help us to understand and be better prepared to read the sign of the times leading to the imminent return of Jesus Christ.

## Chapter 2

# Identity of the Sons of God

Although Genesis 6 does not give too many details about the sons of God and the daughters of men, much can be gleaned from the information that is given. One also has to get information from other verses in the Bible to further understand what is being communicated in this chapter.

It is clear that the history discussed in Genesis 6 is where evil peaks during the days of Noah. This is where we learn the lessons which, no doubt, God wants us to understand if we are to be prepared for what lies ahead in the future before the return of Christ (Matt. 24:37).

The sheer wickedness that took place in the world during the time of Noah is what led God to bring about the flood and its destruction upon mankind. Matt. 24:37 emphasizes that the world is to return to similar wickedness, "as in the times of Noah", which will bring about the Great Tribulation in this end time.

One of the verses that sums up the wickedness that led to the flood is found in Gen. 6:2:

"That the **sons of God** saw the **daughters of men** that they were fair; and they **took them wives** of all which they chose".

We must ask ourselves a few questions at this point: Who are the "sons of God"? Who are the "daughters of men"? Why did their union lead to such worldwide destruction brought about by the great flood?

Genesis 6:4 continues to give us more important information. It discusses the result of the union between the sons of God and the daughters of men:

"There were **giants** in the earth in those days; and also after

that, **when** (*because/as a result of*) **the sons of God came in unto the daughters of men, and they bare children to them, the same became mighty men** which were of old, men of renown."

The union between the sons of God and the daughters of men resulted in an offspring of mighty men, or giants! What kind of a union would lead to such offspring? Again we must ask: Who are the "sons of God" discussed in chapter 6? The Bible will give us the clarity that we are looking for. Whatever this union was, it was great wickedness, which resulted in abnormal and unnatural offspring that led God to repent from having made man on the earth (Genesis 6:5, 6). Because of the tremendous wickedness that man was increasingly devising, God was about to destroy mankind when He found Noah who was the only righteous man of pure lineage. Scripture tells us that God then made a covenant with Noah. Notice how this unfolds in scripture:

**"And the Lord said, I will destroy man whom I have created from the face of the earth; both man, and beast, and the creeping thing, and the fowls of the air; for it repenteth me that I have made them. But Noah found grace in the eyes of the Lord. These are the generations of Noah: Noah was a just man and perfect in his generations, and Noah walked with God. And Noah begat three sons, Shem, Ham, and Japheth. The earth also was corrupt before God, and the earth was *filled* with violence. And God looked upon the earth, and, behold, it was corrupt; for all flesh had corrupted his way upon the earth"** (Gen. 6:7-12).

Mankind had gone its own way. The sons of God were thinking of ways to outdo God, or to do without God. Mankind was also allowing itself to go places where it simply should not go. When mankind becomes corrupt they are essentially telling God, "I know more than you! Your way does not work. we know best". Mankind became corrupt because **they** took the decisions without the fear of God. They left God completely

out of the picture.

In chapter 1 of this booklet we discussed Genesis 3:15. This verse records God's promise of a Redeemer, which infuriated Satan. Satan did not want a Redeemer to come to this earth to redeem mankind especially after he had a measure of success in the Garden of Eden. Satan was out to thwart God's plan. He knew that the Redeemer would have to come to this earth through a pure bloodline. The Redeemer could not be born through corrupted seed and Satan knew it, so he looked for a way to try to derail God's plan by corrupting the human seed. The way he could do this was by polluting and corrupting the human bloodline. He knew that if he did this successfully, there would be no Redeemer for mankind. This is what we see taking place in Genesis 6. Satan led the world to a grand scale rebellion, which included the sexual union between the sons of God and the daughters of men. This union so corrupted the bloodlines that giants were the offspring! Thankfully, God found one righteous man with a pure bloodline. Through this man, God was able to continue His plan and ensure that a Redeemer was sent to this earth.

**"And God said unto Noah, The end of all flesh is come before me; for the earth is filled with violence through them; and, behold, I will destroy them with the earth. Make thee an ark of gopher wood; rooms shalt thou make in the ark, and shalt pitch it within and without with pitch. And this is the fashion which thou shalt make it of: The length of the ark shall be three hundred cubits, the breadth of it fifty cubits, and the height of it thirty cubits. A window shalt thou make to the ark, and in a cubit shalt thou finish it above; and the door of the ark shalt thou set in the side thereof; with lower, second, and third stories shalt thou make it. And, behold, I, even I, do bring a flood of waters upon the earth, to destroy all flesh, wherein is the breath of life, from under heaven; and every thing that is in the earth shall die. **But with thee will I establish my covenant;** and thou shalt come into the ark, thou, and thy sons, and thy wife, and thy sons' wives with thee" (Gen. 6:13-18).**

God established a covenant with Noah. Given him exact specifications, God instructed Noah to build an ark of gopher wood. He then said:

"And of every living thing of all flesh, two of every sort shalt thou bring into the ark, to keep them alive with thee; they shall be male and female. Of fowls after their kind, and of cattle after their kind, of every creeping thing of the earth after his kind, two of every sort shall come unto thee, to keep them alive. And take thou unto thee of all food that is eaten, and thou shalt gather it to thee; and it shall be for food for thee, and for them. Thus did Noah; according to all that God commanded him, so did he" (Gen. 6:19-22)

## Sons of God

Before proceeding, it is necessary to confirm the identity of the sons of God. The Bible is very clear on this. Let us begin by taking a look at the Old Testament references of the phrase "sons of God", which is translated from the Hebrew *beney 'elohim*, *beney ha'elohim*, and *beney 'elim*. The Tanakk, which is the new Jewish Publication Society translation according to the traditional Hebrew text, translates Genesis 6:1-4 as follows:

"When men began to increase on earth and daughters were born to them, the **divine beings** [beney ha'elohim] saw how beautiful the daughters of men were and took wives from among those that pleased them. The Lord said, "My breath shall not abide in man forever, since he too is flesh; let the days allowed him be one hundred and twenty years." 4 It was then, and later too, that the Nephilim appeared on earth when the **divine beings** [beney ha'elohim] cohabited with the daughters of men, who bore them offspring. They were the heroes of old, the men of renown."

The phrase "beney 'elohim" is translated by the Jewish Publication Society as "divine beings"; in the King James and other translations this phrase is translated as "sons of

God". The phrase "sons of God" should already begin to become clearer in our minds. Notice Deut. 32:8:

"When the Most High gave to the nations their inheritance, when he separated the sons of men, he fixed the bounds of the peoples according to the number of the **sons of God** [beney 'elohim]" (Deut. 32:8 *RSV*)

There are a few other verses in the Bible that use the term 'beney 'elohim'. It would be beneficial to list them all as we discuss the identity of the 'sons of God'. Notice:

"Now there was a day when the **sons of God** [beney ha'elohim] came to present themselves before the Lord and Satan also came among them" (Joh 1:6, *NKJV*).

"Again there was a day when the **sons of God** [beney ha'elohim] came to present themselves before the Lord and Satan came also among them to present himself before the Lord" (Job 2:1, *NKJV*)

"Where were you when I laid the foundations of the earth? Tell Me, if you have understanding. Who determined its measurements? Surely you know! Or who stretched the line upon it? To what were its foundations fastened? Or who laid its cornerstone, when the morning stars sang together, and all the **sons of God** [beney 'elohim] shouted for joy?" (Job 38:4, *NKJV*).

"O give the Lord you **sons of God** [beney 'elim], give the Lord glory and power; give the Lord the glory of his name. Adore the Lord in his holy court. (Psalms 29:1, *The Psalms: A New Translation*).

"The heavens proclaim your wonders, O Lord; the assembly of your holy ones proclaims your truth. 6 For who in **the skies** can compare with the Lord or who is like the Lord among the **sons of God** [beney 'elim]? (Psalms 89:5, *The Psalms: A New Translation*).

Each of the above verses mentions "beney elim" in the original Hebrew. In each case, it is clear that "beney elim" (with the English translation of 'sons of God') *always* refers to angels! There are *no instances* in the Old Testament where the phrase "sons of God" refers to men. I challenge any reader to find one scripture in the Bible that shows the phrase "beney elim" referring to men!

It is clear that whenever the Bible refers to "sons of God" it always refers to beings that are *directly* created by God. This is significant! The term "sons of God" refers to a creation by God where man played no part. Children born to men are never referred to sons of God because man played a part in that creation. Understand: The Word and the angels are *all* referred to as "sons of God" because they are a direct spiritual creation of God without human man playing any part. Despite the fact that angels will never form part of the divine family of God, they are still referred to as "Sons of God" because they are a direct creation of His. Human children, on the other hand, are not referred to as "sons of God" because, to a small degree, man plays a part in the process leading to their creation. This is important to understand: beings that are directly created by God, are always referred to as 'sons of Gods'.

Through the clear communication given in Genesis 6, it is evident that fallen angels interbred with humans. The union between 'sons of God' and the 'daughters of men' was between fallen angels (sons of God) and daughters of men (human beings), which resulted in offspring of giants (Gen. 6:2, 4).

### **Noah: Perfect in his generations**

"This is the genealogy of Noah. Noah was a just man, **perfect** (Hebrew: "tamim") in his generations. Noah walked with God. (Gen. 6:9, *NKJV*).

The Hebrew word *tamim*, is translated as "perfect" in Genesis 6:9 and means "physically without blemish." Evidently, this does not refer to the moral perfection of Noah,

but to the pureness of blood, the genealogy of Noah. Below is what *The Companion Bible* has to say about this word "tamim" (perfect) as used in verse 9 of Genesis 6:

"The Hebrew word "*tamim*" means *without blemish*, and is the technical word for bodily and physical perfection, and, not *moral*. Hence it is used of animals of *sacrificial purity*. It is rendered *without blemish* in Ex. 12.5; 29.1; Lev. 1.3, 10; 3.1, 6; 4.3, 23, 28, 32; 5.12, 18; 6.6; 9.2, 3; 14.10; 22.19; 23.12, 18; Num. 6.14; 28.19, 31; 29.2, 8, 13, 20, 23, 29, 32, 36; Ezek. 43.22, 23, 25; 45.18, 23; 46.4, 6, 13.

*Without spot*: Num. 19.2; 28.3, 9, 11; 29.17, 26.

*Undefiled*: Ps. 119.1. This shows that Gen. 6.9 does not speak of Noah's moral perfection . ." (p. 28, *Companion Bible Appendixes*)

It should be very clear indeed to the honest Bible student that the "sons of God" discussed in Gen. 6 are referring to fallen angels who sinned. And because they came in unto human beings, or the "daughters of men", they defiled the blood line of the human race, which resulted in offspring of giants. Their gross sin of having left their estate and lusted after human women led to a corruption of God's perfect creation. Noah was found to be pure and without blemish; his bloodline was undefiled. Through the bloodline of Noah, God was able to send a Redeemer to this earth.

Notice what Jude said about the fallen angels:

"And the angels which kept not their first estate but left their own habitation, [what happened to them?]......**he hath reserved in everlasting chains under darkness unto the judgment of the great day.** Even as Sodom and Gomorrha...(comparison with what went on in Sodom and Gomorrha)...and the cities about them in like manner, giving themselves over to fornication, and going after strange flesh, are set forth for an example, suffering the vengeance of eternal

fire" (Jude 1:6-7 *KJV*).

Evidently, there were a number of angels who did not keep their first estate (vs. 6). This is referring to the angels who left their estate and saw the daughters of mankind that they were beautiful and came in unto them. A parallel is drawn in verse 7 with what went on in the cities of Sodom and Gomorrah. Both were guilty of committing similar sexual sin! Notice what is stated on page 241-242 of "Word Studies in the Greek New Testament" about these verses:

"...the translation should read, "just as Sodom and Gomorrha and the cities about them, in like manner to these, having given themselves over to fornication and having gone after strange flesh." The sense of the entire passage (vv.6, 7) is that the cities of Sodom and Gomorrha and the cities about them, in like manner to these (the angels), have given themselves over to fornication and have gone after strange flesh. That means that the sin of the fallen angels was fornication."

We should keep in mind that the King James Version was translated in 1611, and the concept of "fallen angels" was probably not accepted by the translators at the time. However, there are some other Bible translators that are perhaps clearer in certain passages because they are truer to the original text. Notice the New English Bible translation of these same verses:

"Remember too the angels, how some of them were not content to keep the dominion given to them but abandoned their proper home; and God has reserved them for judgement on the great Day, bound beneath the darkness in everlasting chains. Remember Sodom and Gomorrah and the neighbouring towns; **like the angels, they committed fornication and followed unnatural lusts**; and they paid the penalty in eternal fire, an example for all to see" (Jude 1:6-7, *NEB*)

Jude is here comparing the wickedness of the angels to the wickedness that went on in Sodom and Gomorrah.

Notice that Jude 1:6 tells us that the angels left their "estate". That word "estate" is quite revealing and continues to support that which is here being discussed. The Greek word for "estate" is only used here and in one other scripture in the New Testament, so it would be beneficial to take a close look at it. Notice it is used in 2 Corinthians 5:1-2:

"For we know that if our earthly house, this tent, is destroyed, we have a building from God, a house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens. For in this we groan, earnestly desiring to be clothed with our **habitation** [oiketerion] which is from heaven" (*NKJV*).

The word "habitation" in 2 Corinthians 5:2 is the same word used in Jude 1:6 for "estate" or "abode". It is here used for the spiritual body of a resurrected saint ("clothed with our habitation"). Doesn't this continue to emphasize the fact that when scripture states that the angels "left their estate" it means that they "left their spiritual form" (i.e. spiritual estate) to become physical (i.e. physical estate) when they came down to this earth? "Leaving their first estate" simply means leaving/changing their spirit composition to become human or physical composition; they left their first spirit estate and took a physical estate. The fallen angels changed their "composition" and left their estate to come to this earth, just as we will have our composition changed when we leave our estate (this earth), when we are born of spirit.

There is a great deal revealed in the Bible about angels. Angels could and did assume human form. In Genesis 18-19 we are told that angels in human form ate man's food. We know that two angels will come in physical form as the Two Witnesses. We also know that angels can die (please see our separate articles on this particular subject). If angels can take the form of humans and perform various human functions such as eating, dying etc, why should it come as a surprise to us that they also had sexual relations with human beings while in human form? It shouldn't!

Jude 6 shows that some angels left their proper abode (i.e. their spiritual bodies) and took on fleshly bodies so as to marry and produce offspring with the daughters of men. This was all a part of Satan's agenda to derail God's plan by polluting the bloodlines so that God would not be able to send a Redeemer to this earth. However, while Satan has a measure of success in the short term, he was not victorious! Noah was found to be pure in his generations; God was able to carry out His plan of sending a Redeemer to save mankind through a descendant of Noah.

## Chapter 3

### Flesh corrupted its way

**I**saiah 14:12-14 states: "How art thou fallen from heaven, O Lucifer, son of the morning! how art thou cut down to the ground, which didst weaken the nations! For thou hast said in thine heart, I will ascend into heaven, I will exalt my throne above the stars of God: I will sit also upon the mount of the congregation, in the sides of the north: I will ascend above the heights of the clouds; I will be like the most High.

Satan's goal is to *be* the Most High. Vanity is the root cause of his sin. He absolutely hates the fact that God is to have a spiritual family, and he has no part of it. Satan has tried to derail God's plans, and overtake Him. One of Satan's plans to reach that goal was to corrupt the human lineage. He believed that if he managed to corrupt the human blood line, Christ would not have been able to be born as a human. If Satan was successful in this endeavor, Christ would not have been able to come to this earth as a Savior, which would have meant no Firstfruit, no resurrected firstfruits, and no family of God!

The flood in the days of Noah came about because mankind, whether willfully or not, knowingly or not, was given in to gross sin which aided Satan and his plan. Lust and vanity is always the driving factor. Their attitude took them alongside these demon-turned-human-perverts, (discussed in preceding chapters), which appealed to their human lusts, and as a result of the ensuing unions corrupted all but one of the human lineages. Noah had the only bloodline that was pure (Gen. 6:9). The reality is that prior to the flood, mankind had gotten so far away from God that it was in cahoots with Satan the devil to thwart God's plan. Whether wittingly or unwittingly, mankind was aiding Satan the devil to fight God's plan of sending a Savior and having a God Family. This grieved God to the point that He repented of creating mankind (Gen. 6:6)! Satan's plan

was, and is, to destroy God's plan for mankind.

As we read in Genesis 6:11 the earth was filled with violence prior to the flood, most likely as a direct result of the ungodly union between the fallen angels and humans, which resulted in the *nephilim*. Flesh had corrupted its way upon the earth. Species were mixing with each other, which totally went against God, creation and what He intended for mankind.

The Book of Jasher gives us further clarification on this most important subject. We would here like to reiterate that as we would with any other historical text, the Faithful Church of God in Laodicea (FCGL) only makes reference to this text as and where it clearly supports what is stated in the Bible. The Bible twice mentions the Book of Jasher (2 Sam. 1:18; Josh. 10:13).

"And their judges and rulers (*Editor's note: fallen angels*) went to the daughters of men and took their wives by force from their husbands according to their choice, and the sons of men in those days took from the cattle of the earth, the beasts of the field and the fowls of the air, and taught **the mixture of animals of one species with the other in order therewith to provoke the Lord**; and God saw the whole earth and it was corrupt, for **ALL FLESH had corrupted its ways upon earth, all men and all animals**. And the Lord said, I will blot out man that I created from the face of the earth, yea from man to the birds of the air, together with cattle and beasts that are in the field..." (Jasher 4).

Genesis 6:12 also tells us that ALL FLESH had corrupted its way. Nothing that is stated in the above text from the Book of Jasher is different from what is stated in the Bible, it simply amplifies and clarifies it. Notice Genesis 6:7:

"And the Lord said, I will destroy man whom I have created from the face of the earth; both man, and beast, and the creeping thing, and the fowls of the air; for it repenteth

me that I have made them."

We are told that God repented from creating man. He repented from creating the insects, fowls of the air, animals and mankind because they had gotten so far away from Him that they were committing tremendous evil. Even before the flood mankind had interbred animals and every other living creature to the point where creation was grossly corrupted! God brought about the flood to "cleanse" this earth from its evil ways. He wanted to use this event to change the sinful course of this world. The question is, are we not seeing similar evil today as went on prior to the flood? Absolutely! Please keep reading to see what is being referred to.

We need to sit up and understand what went on prior to the flood to understand that much of what is going on today is a repeat of history and a direct fulfillment of what Christ uttered in Matthew 24, that the times of the end shall be "as in the days of Noah". History is repeating itself demonstrating that we are on the cusp of another worldwide apocalypse! We are witnessing prophecy being fulfilled before our very eyes. Today, mankind is getting into all sorts of godless activities that are identical to that which went on prior to the flood. Mankind is corrupting its way and is provoking God.

Similar to the events that took place prior to the flood in Noah's day, you will be shocked to find that in this generation man has crossbred a number of species: dolphins and killer whales, goats and sheep, zebras and horses, goats and mice among others.

Notice the following extracts from various news feeds:

### **Synthetic biology and the rise of the 'spider-goats'**

"...Freckles is a long way from normal. She is an extraordinary creation, an animal that could not have existed at any point in history before the 21st century.

She is all goat, but she has something extra in every one of her cells: Freckles is also part spider.

That is what we can now do with genetics: extreme crossbreeding. If 20th-century biology was about taking living things apart to find out how they work, the current era is defined by putting them back together, but...certainly without the clumsy constraints of mating. Freckles is the result of genetic engineering. But **our mastery of manipulating DNA has evolved into an even more extreme form of tinkering, broadly called "synthetic biology"**.

Freckles is the creation of Randy Lewis, a professor of genetics at Utah State University. The farm is a university outpost where they research modern farming techniques, teach animal husbandry and raise what are inevitably referred to as "spider-goats". Randy, like many of the other scientists here in Logan, Utah, has farming in his blood. So although a creature that is part goat, part spider might seem like an idea born of science fiction, as far as Randy is concerned it's simply advanced farming: breeding animals to produce things that we want....

...Since the advent of genetic engineering, we have been able to exploit the universality of this code and cut and paste bits of DNA from any one species into any other. ....this editing technology has progressed to the extent that all bits of DNA code are effectively interchangeable between all species. In fact, Freckles and the other spider-goats are not even on the cutting edge. The loosely defined field of synthetic biology has come to incorporate even more extreme forms of genetic tinkering.

...The culture of biology is rapidly changing and scientists and the public need to keep up. Synthetic

biology has the potential to generate a new industrial revolution. It is perhaps the defining technology for the 21st century and it is happening now. Without an informed public discourse, fear of this unprecedented and sometimes unsettling technology may hinder the world-changing promise it harbours.

Prediction is very difficult, especially about the future," as the great physicist Niels Bohr once said. But science fiction never got close to the outlook that came with the advent of synthetic biology. ....Welcome to the future." (*The UK Guardian, 14th January 2012*).

The "genetic tinkering" referenced in the above article takes us right back to what the Book of Genesis (and emphasized by the Book of Jasher) spoke about regarding the time prior to the flood. The "mixing of animals of one species with the other" that took place before the flood is taking place on a grand scale -- even today! This "is all provoking God". God looks down upon the earth and sees that all flesh has corrupted its way. The thinking and actions of mankind have been corrupted. Liberalism has overtaken mankind's thinking and way of life. We see that legalization of same sex marriage is on the increase throughout the nations of the world. Same sex couples adopting children is also becoming fashionable in many parts of the world. All these things have turned the world upside down! Mankind at large has fast eliminated God from their lives, and turned to their own understanding. God is righteously angry and this anger will soon be unleashed on this world as He corrects it through Great Tribulation to repent from its evil ways. This world has reached the point of no return and is unstoppable unless God intervenes soon!

In addition to what has already been discussed, let us not forget genetically modified fruit and vegetables. The following is reproduced from the World Health Organization Website:

"Genetically modified (GM) foods are foods derived

from organisms whose genetic material (DNA) has been modified in a way that does not occur naturally, e.g. through the introduction of a gene from a different organism. Currently available GM foods stem mostly from plants, but in the future foods derived from GM microorganisms or GM animals are likely to be introduced on the market. Most existing genetically modified crops have been developed to improve yield, through the introduction of resistance to plant diseases or of increased tolerance of herbicides."

Do we understand the gravity of what is going on in the world around us? All these actions are taking us right back to events that took place prior to the flood. Mankind's actions today are in direct parallel to mankind's actions that forced God to punish the earth with a worldwide flood! This time God will punish mankind through 1260 days of Great Tribulation (Rev. 11:2-3).

Fruit and vegetables have also been genetically tampered with. Genetically modified fruit and veg are Sugar Beets, Potatoes, Tomatoes, Corn, Squash, Rice, Soybean, Oils, Animal feed, Salmon, Grapes and more. Mankind is tampering with the food cycle, which is leading to all sorts of health problems and degeneration on this earth. Man is increasingly provoking God through its evil ways!

There are also hybrid fruit and vegetables. This is where fruit and veg is genetically tampered with so that their seeds do not regerminate. The seeds in hybrid fruit and vegetables do not allow for a future crop, thus destroying the natural cycle created and ordained by God. Farmers cannot use the seeds within these fruit and veg for the next season. The seed of these fruit and vegetables are modified; corrupted!

Notice the following sentence from an article that discusses hybrid foods:

"Today we are inundated with hybrid foods, whether

we are aware of this fact or not. Hybridized foods also fall under the category "products for convenience". (<http://dherbs.com/news/4517/4669/Beware-of-Hybrid-and-Genetically-Engineered-Foods/d,ai.html#.UjuBdL78LIU>)

Hybrid foods are created by cross breeding multiple foods within the same species. Some common hybrid fruits are grapefruit, boysenberries, lemon, orange, pineapple, apple, nectarine, cantaloupe etc. Common hybrid vegetables include beets, carrots, corn, and potatoes. Common hybrid nuts and seeds include cashews, oats, rice, and wheat.

Many of these hybrid fruit and vegetables are no longer natural because there is a heavy demand for them. They are man engineered and harvested. Their original strains may have been natural, but today, many of them are unnaturally grown.

Notice:

"Eating genetically engineered (GE) foods may cause defects (imbalances) within the human body. Because the molecules of hybrid and GE plants are altered, it stands to reason that the molecules of the human makeup also become altered and this altering manifests in human behavior, actions, and thoughts in the form of defective or faulty behavior, actions, and thoughts. After all, you are what you eat."

Furthermore:

"Genetically engineered foods also help the business of addiction. The greatest addiction on our planet is sugar addiction so it's no wonder why hybridized fruits are real sweet, sweeter than what Nature intended.

But it doesn't just have to be sugar to cause an addiction. Anything hybridized can lead to addiction of the hybridized product."

Here is an extract from another article entitled "Thousands Of Genetically Modified Insects Set For Release":

"Just when you thought genetically modified mosquitoes and mutated dinner entrees were the extent of biotech's hunger to manipulate the genetic coding of the planet, scientists have now unleashed a plan to launch thousands of 'frankenfly' style insects into the wild in order to combat pests.

And just like we saw with the release of genetically modified mosquitoes, the altered insects are actually being pushed as a 'green alternative' to the use of chemicals. You see, British scientists claim that mutating the genetic code of the insects is actually a way of substituting for the use of chemical pesticides. Chemical pesticides used to lower the population of olive flies in Britain. The reality here, however, is that you are taking something damaging like chemical pesticides and replacing it with something far worse.

According to the Daily Mail, which dubs these insects as 'frankenflies' (and rightfully so), the frankenflies are meant to kill the offspring of the olive flies when the genetically modified flies mate with wild olive flies:

"The trial would involve releasing genetically modified male olive flies which would mate with the wild females with the result that all the female offspring would die at the larvae or maggot stage."

In other words, they are actually trying to mutate the genetic code to sterilize and eliminate the population of flies. So what does this mean for animals that eat these flies as a part of their routine diet? Or how about the humans that then eat these animals, or maybe even somehow eat the flies themselves? The Daily Mail goes on to state:

“However critics fear the development could put human health at risk if people eat the flies or their larvae if they reach food products.”

It looks like this legitimate fear doesn't seem to stop (or even affect) scientists who insist on unleashing the genetically modified frankenflies into the environment at large. Perhaps their suggestion is to not eat any animal that may have consumed the fly, any plant that may have come in contact with the fly, and to stay indoors to avoid any physical contact with anything the fly touched?

Let's stop the mad scientist ideology of bloated biotech corporations and instead return to an age of reality and reason." (Anthony Gucciardi, Natural Science, 6th September 2013).

All this is proof that *ALL FLESH* has corrupted its ways upon the earth. Isn't this what happened in the days prior to the flood? Hadn't all flesh corrupted its way then? Isn't it being corrupted now? Studies link GMOs with toxins, allergies, infertility, infant mortality, immune dysfunction, stunted growth, accelerated aging, and death. This is all coming out of the mind of Satan the Devil. This world is getting corrupt to the point where God is about to plunge it into Great Tribulation! God brought about the flood to destroy the polluted human and animal bloodlines and He is about to bring about the Great Tribulation, the worst time of suffering ever to make sure that the corruption that we see today is eradicated once and for all!

Brethren, come with me to Romans 8:

"For I reckon that the sufferings of this present time *are not worthy to be compared* with the glory which shall be revealed in us. **For the earnest expectation of the creature waiteth for the manifestation of the sons of God. For the creature was made subject to vanity, not willingly, but by reason of him who hath**

**subjected the same in hope, because the creature itself also shall be delivered from the bondage of corruption into the glorious liberty of the children of God. For we know that the whole creation groaneth and travaileth in pain together until now. And not only *they*, but ourselves also, which have the firstfruits of the Spirit, even we ourselves groan within ourselves, waiting for the adoption, to wit, the redemption of our body" (Verses 18-23).**

The whole creation is groaning for an end to the sin that continues to corrupt this world. The whole creation, including animals and plants are waiting to be delivered from the corruption that is taking place on this earth. The whole creation has been corrupted and it groans, it can't wait, for the return of Jesus Christ and the setting up of the government of God. That time is fast approaching. As this world continues in its increasingly gross sinful ways, it is moving further and further away from God and His ways. This world is provoking Him by seeing just how far it can get from Him. God will soon correct this world through the fires of the Great Tribulation. It is time for repentance. Time is fast running out!

## Chapter 4

### The angels that sinned

**R**eferred to Matt. 22:29-30 and Mark 12:24-25, many will argue that angels do not (and cannot) marry, which would mean that angels do not form any sort of union and therefore cannot procreate. It is true that as spirit beings, angels do not marry nor do they procreate (Matt.22:30). (It must be understood that these verses are simply communicating the fact that there will not be any marriage after the resurrection. No more and no less!) Of course, the angels in heaven do not eat or drink, and neither can they die while in spirit form. However, one must also agree that the Old Testament gives examples of angels having been transformed into physical beings (men), had their feet washed, conversed with others, and have also enjoyed meals while in physical form. (Please read Genesis 18:2-8, 16, 22; Gen. 19:1-3 and also prove the "Special Note" at the end of this booklet with more Biblical proof on this subject). While angels roamed the earth as human beings, they did think and reason since they spoke and carried out a work for God. Since they did all these things it follows that, in human form, they had the same faculties as others from the human race. For example, if they ate they no doubt had a digestive system, if they communicated and carried out a work it follows that they were able to think and reason. In physical form, their bodies evidently functioned as any other human being would. With all this said and Biblically proven, it follows that the angels which were transformed into human beings also had a reproductive system. It simply wouldn't make sense otherwise. The righteous angels sent to this earth on (a) mission(s) of course knew their bounds and only acted in accordance to the Father's directions. They were simply sent to this earth to fulfill a task or tasks, and they knew the boundaries God set before them. Of course, God never intended them to reproduce with mankind.

However, it is also Biblically recorded that angels, through their own rebellious and perverse reasoning, later transformed themselves into human beings of their own volition. Having come to this earth being transformed into human beings, they had intercourse with women from the human race (Gen. 6:2-4). The offspring of this perverse union gave birth to a race of giants (Gen. 6:4-5). This wrong and sinful act led to total confusion, corruption and destruction on this earth; this led to the great flood of the time of Noah.

Notice what it states in Enoch chapter 6:

"And it came to pass when the children of men had multiplied that in those days were born unto them beautiful and comely daughters. **And the angels, the children of the heaven, saw and lusted after them,** and said to one another: 'Come, let us choose us wives from among the children of men and beget us children.' And Semjaza, who was their leader, said unto them: 'I fear ye will not indeed agree to do this deed, and I alone shall have to pay the penalty of a great sin.' And they all answered him and said: 'Let us all swear an oath, and all bind ourselves by mutual imprecations not to abandon this plan but to do this thing.' Then sware they all together and bound themselves by mutual imprecations upon it. And they were in all two hundred; who descended in the days of Jared on the summit of Mount Hermon (vs. 1-6).

The Faithful Church of God in Laodicea (FCGL) only uses books other than the Bible (such as the Book of Enoch, history books etc) IF and WHEN they completely support that which is stated in the Bible. And don't the above verses from the book of Enoch completely and fully support what is communicated to us through Genesis 6? Don't they help to simplify, clarify and confirm that which is communicated to us in the Word of God? Of course they do!

"And it came to pass when the children of men began to multiply on the face of the earth and daughters were born unto them, that the angels of God saw them on a certain year of this jubilee, that they were beautiful to look upon; and they took themselves wives of all whom they chose, and they bare unto them sons and they were giants. And lawlessness increased on the earth and all flesh corrupted its way, alike men and cattle and beasts and birds and everything that walks on the earth – all of them corrupted their ways and their orders, and they began to devour each other, and lawlessness increased on the earth and every imagination of the thoughts of all men (was) thus evil continually ..." (Jubilees 5:1-3).

There is so much proof that fallen angels had committed fornication with physical women during the time before the Flood (Gen. 6). Those that choose to not believe this Truth are refuting important Biblical history and prophecy that God is communicating to His people. They are allowing false preconceived ideas to limit communication from the Father. This is detrimental to further understanding and growth on subjects pertinent to our immediate future even prior to the Great Tribulation. God cannot warn and prepare His people if they refute plain Truth that is revealed through the pages of His Word! It is necessary to prove all things (1 Thess. 5:21) with God's Word, and then accept that which is communicated by the Father.

Scripture further tells us that these rebellious fallen angels have been thrown into a spiritual prison. This is done as a temporary punishment, till judgment comes upon them. Notice:

"And the angels which kept not their first estate, but left their own habitation, **he hath reserved in everlasting chains under darkness** unto the judgment of the great day" (Jude 1:6).

"For if God spared not the angels that sinned, but cast them down to hell [Editor's note: abyss?], and delivered them into chains of darkness, to be reserved unto judgment" (2 Pet. 2:4).

Scripture is clear that, as a result of their rebellion and subsequent destruction, these rebellious demons are kept in chains in a deep dark pit until a time just ahead of us. This dark pit is about to be opened! These evil, rebellious demons will come crawling back out of the abyss one last time when the pit is opened and God's wrath is poured out on an unrepentant mankind. Notice:

"And the fifth angel sounded, and I saw a star fall from heaven unto the earth: and to him was given the key of the bottomless pit. ...[Editor's note: *This is the same pit where these evil spirits are imprisoned*]...And he opened the bottomless pit; and there arose a smoke out of the pit, as the smoke of a great furnace; and the sun and the air were darkened by reason of the smoke of the pit. And there came out of the smoke locusts upon the earth: *and unto them was given power, as the scorpions of the earth have power. And it was commanded them that they should not hurt the grass of the earth, neither any green thing, neither any tree; but only those men which have not the seal of God in their foreheads.* And to them it was given that they should not kill them, but that they should be *tormented five months*: and their torment was as the torment of a scorpion, when he striketh a man. *And in those days shall men seek death, and shall not find it; and shall desire to die, and death shall flee from them.* And the shapes of the locusts were like unto horses prepared unto battle; and on their heads were as it were crowns like gold, and their faces were as the faces of men. And they had hair as the hair of women, and their teeth were as the teeth of lions. And they had breastplates, as it were breastplates of iron; and the sound of their wings was as the sound of

chariots of many horses running to battle. And they had tails like unto scorpions, and there were stings in their tails: and their power was to hurt men five months" (Rev. 9:1-10).

At the sound of the fifth trumpet, the bottomless pit will release a number of these demons. The above verses are not talking about equipment used in modern warfare; they are talking about demons that are released from the bottomless pit! We must believe every word written in scripture! God will use these released demons to torment those on the earth who do not have the "seal of God in their foreheads". Those who do not obey God will be punished. These demons will be released and will be used to torment for five months those who do not have the "seal of God in their foreheads". They will engage in intense battle for the five months prior to the return of Christ. Things will escalate and continue to get even worse when the sixth trumpet is sounded. (Read about that in Revelation 9:13-18). Scripture tells us that the situation in the world will be so intense that people will be crying out to die, but they won't be able to find death! These demons will be released as God's wrath is unleashed onto a hardened people on this earth who are unrepentant and who will require this sort of punishment due to the nature of their extreme wickedness. This fulfills an important part of God's plan at the end of this age.

The good news is that the fallen angels - angels who had transformed themselves to human beings and committed atrocious sin - will one day be destroyed once and for all. They will be no more and will never be able to return in the future! But before then, they will bring about havoc to this earth one last time. Because they have been locked up for millennia, and because of the fact that they know their fate, they will return with the kind of ferociousness that this world has ever seen. This is part of the extreme "winter" spoken of Matt. 24:20. (For more information on this subject, please read the FCGL booklet entitled "The Day of the Lord cometh..."). We must pray fervently that the "flight" of God's people to the Place of

Safety will not take place in the "winter"; in other words, we must pray that the situation on this earth does not get too bad and chaotic before those who are accounted worthy are taken to a Place of Safety immediately prior to the Great Tribulation. This world is currently well into "autumn"; winter is fast approaching.

We must be aware that there are evil spirits roaming the earth today. These evil spirits are not the fallen angels we read of in Genesis 6; they are the spirits of their offspring (disembodied giants) that have now been eradicated/killed off. The spirits of these disembodied giants are the cause of the increasing disruption and corruption seen on this earth, which is going on in every way imaginable. These coniving, evil spirits are working feverishly to disrupt families and lives and cause chaos through deceit, competition, strife, vanity, selfishness etc., all over the world. All this evil is provoking God, and we have to be very careful that we don't fall into the trap of going along with, accepting, and/or becoming indifferent to the increasing wickedness we see around us. Satan wants us to become indifferent to His evil ways (selfishness, greed, lying, cheating, divorce for unbiblical reasons, same-sex marriage, liberalism etc). If we become indifferent to these vices, begin to not even notice it, or go along with it in any way, we become an accomplice to the ways of Satan the Devil and his demons. These evil spirits, the spirits of the disembodied giants, are roaming the earth today!

The knowledge that the fallen angels brought with them allowed man to develop and grow in "worldly" knowledge at a rapid pace. It allowed man to develop technologically.....and we see this happening today. The mindset of these fallen angels through the spirits of the disembodied giants are today motivating, guiding and leading mankind at large to develop technology at a record pace. This is leading to much of the godlessness we see all around us. The internet, for example, is often wrongly being used to disseminate filth and pornography, gossip and much more, which is leading to many of the ills of

this world. Modern technology is no doubt brought about by, and leading to, knowledge of good and evil (Gen. 2:17). Much of the "development" we see around us is labelled as being "positive" and "progressive", but it is mostly negative and regressive. The predominant negative and regressive mentality that we are witnessing in today's world is completely destroying society as God intended it. It is resulting in an extremely unholy society that is getting further and further away from God and His ways.

The creation groans for the return of Christ (Rom. 8:19-24). God speed that day, and let's hope and pray that we will be right there with Christ to bring about the change that this earth so desperately needs. Meanwhile, let us be united with the Body of Christ, His Church (Rom. 12:5; 1 Cor. 12:12-27 etc), and *get ourselves ready!*

*If you would like to speak with one of a number of dedicated ministers, please do not hesitate to contact us. We are here to help! Weekly Sabbath Services are held in various locations worldwide, which are also broadcast online.*

### **SPECIAL NOTE:**

At the end of the one thousand year reign of Jesus Christ a fire will burn, the result of which is recorded in Malachi 4:1:

“For, behold, the day cometh, that shall burn as an oven; and all the proud, yea, and all that do wickedly, shall be stubble: and the day that cometh shall burn them up, saith the LORD of hosts, that it shall leave them neither root nor branch.”

Notice that ALL the proud and wicked shall be as stubble!

The word “ALL” means “entire, everything, everybody”. Could this include Satan and evil spirits/demons as well as mankind? “Surely not?!” you might say. Did not Jesus Christ say the following in Luke 20:35-36:

“But those who are counted worthy to attain that age, and the resurrection from the dead neither marry nor are given in marriage; *Neither can they die any more*: for they are equal unto the angels; and are the children of God, being the children of the resurrection.”

Here Christ did say that spirits can neither die nor marry. This is correct. In their spiritual state, spirits cannot die. However, we must review other scriptures on this subject to fully understand the fate of evil spirits.

On a Sabbath day in Capernaum Jesus Christ was teaching in a synagogue and a man with an unclean spirit cried out saying:

“Let us alone! “What have we to do with You, Jesus of Nazareth? Did you come to destroy us? I know who you are – the Holy One of God!” (Mk. 1:24).

The word “destroy” could also mean “perish, die, lose and mar” (Strong's No G622). But can a *spirit* being die? Notice:

“Thou hast been in Eden the garden of God; every precious stone was thy covering, the sardius, topaz, and the diamond, the beryl, the onyx, and the jasper, the sapphire, the emerald, and the carbuncle, and gold: the workmanship of thy tabrets and of thy pipes was prepared in thee in the day that thou wast created. Thou art the anointed cherub that covereth; and I have set thee so: thou wast upon the holy mountain of God; thou hast walked up and down in the midst of the stones of fire. Thou wast perfect in thy ways from the day that thou wast created, till iniquity was found in thee. By the multitude of thy merchandise they have filled the midst

of thee with violence, and thou hast sinned: therefore I will cast thee as profane out of the mountain of God: and **I WILL DESTROY THEE** [*make thee to perish*], **O covering cherub**, from the midst of the stones of fire. Thine heart was lifted up because of thy beauty, thou hast corrupted thy wisdom by reason of thy brightness: I will cast thee to the ground, I will lay thee before kings, that they may behold thee. Thou hast defiled thy sanctuaries by the multitude of thine iniquities, by the iniquity of thy traffick; therefore will I **bring forth a fire from the midst of thee, it shall devour thee, and I WILL BRING THEE TO ASHES UPON THE EARTH** in the sight of all them that behold thee. All they that know thee among the people shall be astonished at thee: thou shalt be a terror, and **NEVER SHALT THOU BE ANY MORE**” (Ez. 28:13-19).

Is not the Word of God so clear and straight forward? Do not verses 16, 18 and 19 irrefutably state that God will destroy Satan, and bring him to ashes so that he will no longer exist? Notice further regarding the fate of the demons:

“**But ye shall die like men**, and fall like one of the princes” (Ps. 82:7).

Scripture clearly indicates that spirits can in fact die! Understand: In Genesis 18:1-8; 16-22 and Genesis 19:1-13, there are examples where angels appear in the flesh. We also know that the Word, a Spirit Being, was divested of His divinity and became flesh. At the end of Christ’s physical life, He died and was placed in the sepulcher. If God the Father did not resurrect Christ, He would be no longer! Similarly, could not God change Satan and the demons from spirit to physical matter and end their existence once and for all? Absolutely! Everything is possible with God (Mk. 19:26), and this is how scriptures such as Ez. 28:16, 18-19; Ps. 82:7 and others can be fulfilled! The fate of Satan and his demons is *clearly* stated in

the Word of God. As we shall see, scripture outlines that Satan and his demons will be thrown into the Lake of fire which will destroy them forever! Carefully read the following two scriptures:

“Then shall he say unto them on the left-hand, depart from me, ye cursed, into everlasting fire (Strong’s 166), *prepared for the devil and his angels*” (Mr. 24:41).

“And the devil that deceived them was cast into the Lake of Fire and brimstone...and shall be tormented day and night forever and ever” (Rev. 20:10).

When all the scriptures on this subject are placed together, it is evident that the intent of what is being stated in Rev. 20:10 is that the effects of the Lake of fire will be everlasting! Satan the devil will become ashes under the feet of the righteous (Mal. 4:3)!

Notice Rev 12:9:

“And the great dragon was cast out, that old serpent, called the Devil, and Satan, which deceiveth the whole world: he was cast out into the earth, and his angels were cast out with him.”

Why? Matthew 25:41:

“Then shall he say also unto them on the left hand, Depart from me, ye cursed, into everlasting fire, prepared for the devil and his angels.”

Truly indeed, all the proud and the wicked **including evil spirits** that rebelled with Satan against God will be changed into flesh and will be devoured in the Lake of fire to become as ashes under the feet of the righteous. How truly wonderful is the plan of God!

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