

Sermon: “*The World’s First Dark Ages*”

Text: Genesis 6:1-8 (Page 5 in the pew Bible)

I. The collective consequences of sin, Genesis 4:25-5:3

A. Sin’s effect on every person individually, Genesis 5:3

Genesis 5:3 “When Adam had lived 130 years, he fathered a son in his own likeness, after his image, and named him Seth.”

**B. Sin’s effect on the whole human race universally
Genesis Chapter 5:4 to the end.**

Romans 5:14 Death reigned from Adam to Moses, even over those whose sinning was not like the transgression of Adam

Genesis 6:1-8: Dispensing with the distractions:

1. (a) “Who are “the sons of god” and who are “the daughters of man”? vs 2 and vs. 4

1.(b). Who are “the Nephilim... on the earth in those days” with Noah. Vs. 4

A. Demonic spirit beings with human women.

B. Demon-possessed human men with human women.

C. Elite, human kings and princes (first sheiks?) and their harem of human women.

D. “The sons of God” = The godly men (of Seth’s descendants) and

“The daughters of men” = the women of the non-believing worldly men (Cain’s offspring)

II. The compromising cause of sin – vs. 2 and 4

Verse 2a “The sons of God saw that the daughters of man were attractive.”

Verse 2b “They took as their wives any they chose.”

(“The Nephilim” from the Hebrew “to fall”; possibly a race of children fallen away from God).

III. The catastrophic results of sin – vs. 5

“The LORD saw that the wickedness of man was great in the earth, and that every intention of the thoughts of his heart was only evil continually.”

IV. The consuming judgment of God because of sin vs. 3, 6-7

V. The condescending grace of God in spite of sin, vs. 8