

GENESIS IN THE BEGINNING...

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Text:
Genesis 6:1-8

"Grieving the Heart of God"

1. What men see and do. (vs. 1-2, 4)

[1] When man began to multiply on the face of the land and daughters were born to them, [2] the sons of God saw that the daughters of man were attractive. And they took as their wives any they chose.

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

2. What the LORD sees and does. (vs. 3, 5-8)

[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.

[3] Then the LORD said, "My Spirit shall not abide in man forever, for he is flesh: his days shall be 120 years."

[6] And the LORD regretted that he had made man on the earth, and it grieved him to his heart. [7] So the LORD said, "I will blot out man whom I have created from the face of the land, man and animals and creeping things and birds of the heavens, for I am sorry that I have made them."

[8] But Noah found favor in the eyes of the LORD.

***Scriptural references:** 1 Peter 3:19-20; 2 Peter 2:4-5, 9; Jude 6; Ezekiel 6:9; Psalm 78:40; Psalm 95:10; Isaiah 1:14; Isaiah 43:24; Isaiah 63:10; Hosea 11:7-8; Malachi 2:10-17; Matthew 23:37-39; Mark 3:5; Ephesians 4:30; 2 Corinthians 6:14-18; Romans 1:18-32

Application:

If you were to share a key insight from today's sermon with a friend, what would you say in a sentence or two?

Discussion Questions: Discuss the different interpretations of this difficult passage—which do you hold to? Why is it important to strive to understand the context of a passage of Scripture? In what ways did the "sons of God" stray from God's order? Why does sin grieve the heart of God so deeply? What is God's response to sin? How does the passage speak of God's amazing grace? What is your response to sin and grace? How important are marriage and family to God? To you? What are the risks and consequences of spiritually mixed marriages? What are appropriate biblical attitudes and non-negotiable traits in finding a marriage partner?

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