

The Great Flood



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The Growing Corruption: Cain Murders Abel

Genesis 4:8–15 And Cain talked with Abel his brother: and it came to pass, when they were in the field, that Cain rose up against Abel his brother, and slew him. (9) And the LORD said unto Cain, Where is Abel thy brother? And he said, I know not: Am I my brother's keeper? (10) And he said, What hast thou done? the voice of thy brother's blood crieth unto me from the ground. (11) And now art thou cursed from the earth, which hath opened her mouth to receive thy brother's blood from thy hand; (12) When thou tillest the ground, it shall not henceforth yield unto thee her strength; a fugitive and a vagabond shalt thou be in the earth...

The Growing Corruption: Cain Receives Grace in His Distress

Genesis 4:8–15 ...(13) And Cain said unto the LORD, My punishment is greater than I can bear. (14) Behold, thou hast driven me out this day from the face of the earth; and from thy face shall I be hid; and I shall be a fugitive and a vagabond in the earth; and it shall come to pass, that every one that findeth me shall slay me. (15) And the LORD said unto him, Therefore whosoever slayeth Cain, vengeance shall be taken on him sevenfold. And the LORD set a mark upon Cain, lest any finding him should kill him.

The Growing Corruption: Lamech Saw Grace as a Sin License

Genesis 4:17–24 And Cain knew his wife; and she conceived, and bare Enoch: and he builded a city, and called the name of the city, after the name of his son, Enoch. (18) And unto Enoch was born Irad: and Irad begat Mehujael: and Mehujael begat Methusael: and Methusael begat Lamech... ...(23) And Lamech said unto his wives, Adah and Zillah, Hear my voice; ye wives of Lamech, hearken unto my speech: for I have slain a man to my wounding, and a young man to my hurt. (24) **If Cain shall be avenged sevenfold, truly Lamech seventy and sevenfold.**

The Growing Corruption: God Gives his Indictment of the Earth

Genesis 6:1–6 And it came to pass, when men began to multiply on the face of the earth, and daughters were born unto them, (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. (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...

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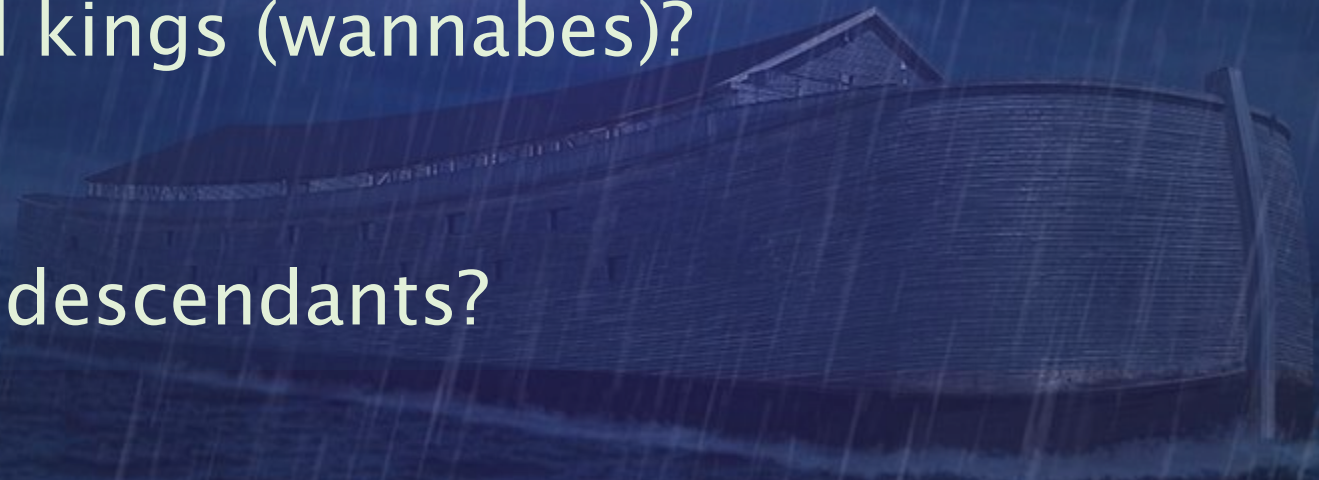
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- Are they angels.
 - PRO: “Sons of God” used elsewhere in the Old Testament to refer to angels, with a possible reference in Jude.
 - CON: Sex between Angels and human women infeasible.
- This alters the narrative away from wickedness towards racial purity.

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- Are they deified kings (wannabes)?
 - PRO: Some passages refer to government officials as “gods (Psalm 82).”
Psalms 82:6–7 I have said, Ye are gods; and all of you are **children of the most High**. (7) But ye shall die like men, and fall like one of the princes.
 - PRO/CON: Paganism regarded the king as divine; muddled narrative.
 - CON: There was limited Biblical Record of human government before the Great Flood.
 - The condemnation of wickedness is more general than simply the idolatry.

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➤ Are they Seth's Descendants?

➤ PRO: This best fits the context of Genesis 4–5

➤ There is evidence that Seth's line was regarded as “sons of God.”

➤ CON: No explicit identification as “sons of God.”

Sons of God in the Messianic Line

- Ex 4:22 Thus saith the LORD, Israel is my son...
- Hosea 11:1 When Israel was a child, then I loved him, and called my son out of Egypt.
- Mat 2:15 And was there until the death of Herod: that it might be fulfilled which was spoken of the Lord by the prophet, saying, Out of Egypt have I called my son.

Seth's Line has a Righteousness Remnant

Genesis 4:25–26 And Adam knew his wife again; and she bare a son, and called his name Seth: For God, said she, hath appointed me another seed instead of Abel, whom Cain slew. (26) And to Seth, to him also there was born a son; and he called his name Enos: **then began men to call upon the name of the LORD.**

Seth implied a Son of God

Genesis 5:1–5 This is the book of the generations of Adam. In the day that God created man, **in the likeness of God made he him;** (2) Male and female created he them; and blessed them, and called their name Adam, in the day when they were created. (3) **And Adam lived an hundred and thirty years, and begat a son in his own likeness, after his image; and called his name Seth:** (4) And the days of Adam after he had begotten Seth were eight hundred years: and he begat sons and daughters: (5) And all the days that Adam lived were nine hundred and thirty years: and he died.

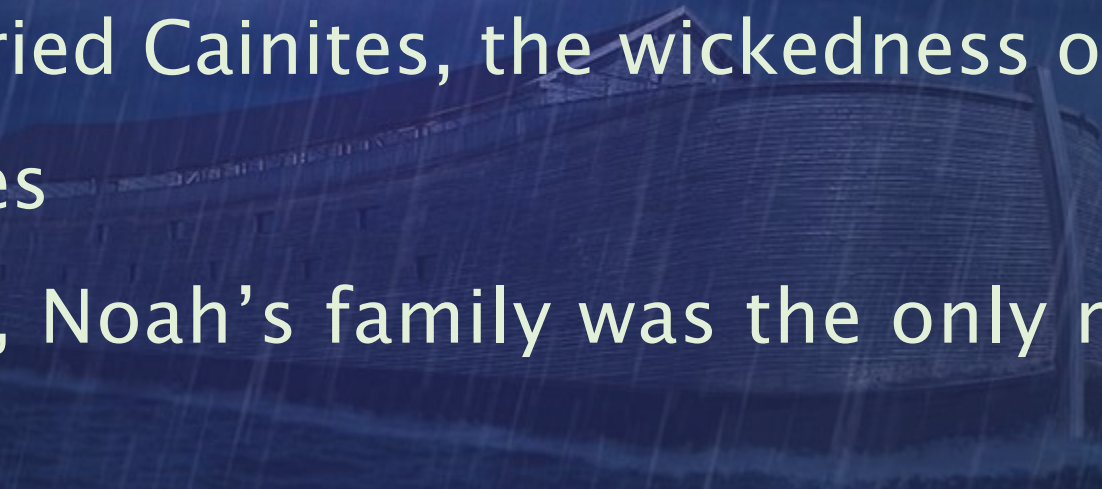
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Genesis 5:21–32 And Enoch lived sixty and five years, and begat Methuselah: (22) And Enoch **walked with God** after he begat Methuselah three hundred years, and begat sons and daughters: (23) And all the days of Enoch were three hundred sixty and five years: (24) And Enoch **walked with God**: and he was not; for God took him...

Remnant of Seth WALKED with God

Genesis 5:21–32 ... (28) And Lamech lived an hundred eighty and two years, and begat a son: (29) **And he called his name Noah, saying, This same shall comfort us concerning our work and toil of our hands, because of the ground which the LORD hath cursed.** (30) And Lamech lived after he begat Noah five hundred ninety and five years, and begat sons and daughters: (31) And all the days of Lamech were seven hundred seventy and seven years: and he died. (32) And Noah was five hundred years old: and Noah begat Shem, Ham, and Japheth.

Sethites Stopped WALKING with God

- Genesis 4 is about godless Cainites
 - Genesis 5 is about Sethites, who began walking with God and were separate from Cainites
 - As Sethites intermarried Cainites, the wickedness of the Cainites corrupted the Sethites
 - By the time of Noah, Noah's family was the only righteousness family left.
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Why God Brought the Great Flood

Genesis 6:5–8 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.** (6) And it repented the LORD that he had made man on the earth, and it grieved him at his heart. (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. (8) **But Noah found grace in the eyes of the LORD.**

God Brought the Great Flood

Genesis 7:1–9 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.** (2) 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. (3) Of fowls also of the air by sevens, the male and the female; to keep seed alive upon the face of all the earth. (4) 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...

God Brought the Great Flood

Genesis 7:1-9 ... (5) And Noah did according unto all that the LORD commanded him. (6) And Noah was six hundred years old when the flood of waters was upon the earth. (7) 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. (8) Of clean beasts, and of beasts that are not clean, and of fowls, and of every thing that creepeth upon the earth, (9) There went in two and two unto Noah into the ark, the male and the female, as God had commanded Noah.

Geographically Universal Flood

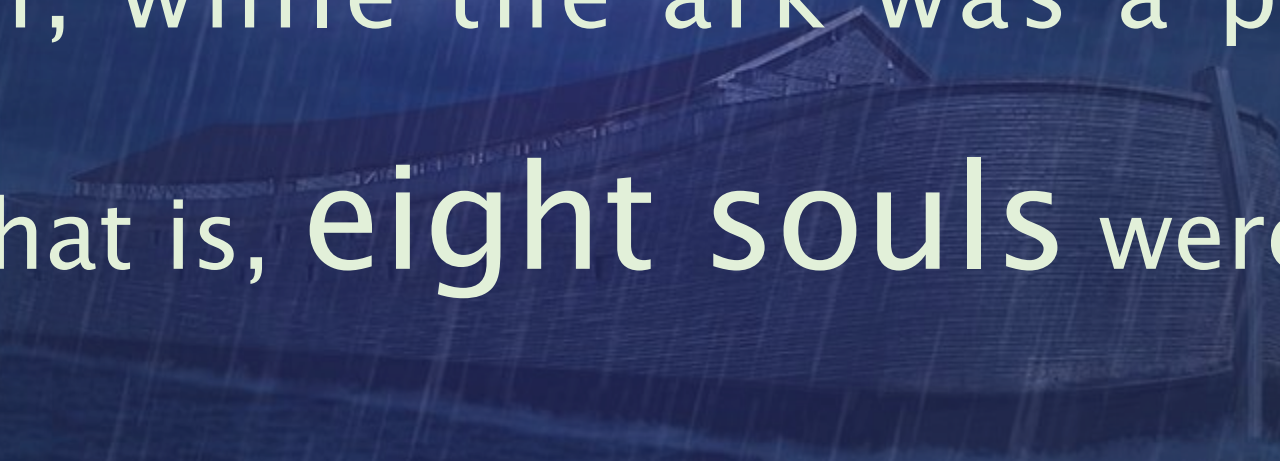
Genesis 7:17–23 And the flood was forty days upon the earth; and the waters increased, and bare up the ark, and it was lift up above the earth. (18) And the waters prevailed, and were increased greatly upon the earth; and the ark went upon the face of the waters. (19) **And the waters prevailed exceedingly upon the earth; and all the high hills, that were under the whole heaven, were covered.** (20) Fifteen cubits upward did the waters prevail; and the mountains were covered...

Anthropologically Universal Flood

Genesis 7:17–23 ... (21) 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: (22) **All in whose nostrils was the breath of life, of all that was in the dry land, died.** (23) 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.** (24) And the waters prevailed upon the earth an **hundred and fifty days.**

Anthropologically Universal Flood Required

1 Peter 3:20 Which sometime were disobedient, when once the longsuffering of God waited in the days of Noah, while the ark was a preparing, wherein few, that is, **eight souls** were saved by water...



The End of the Great Flood

Genesis 8:13–18 And it came to pass in the six hundredth and first year, in the first month, the first day of the month, the waters were dried up from off the earth: and Noah removed the covering of the ark, and looked, and, behold, the face of the ground was dry. (14) And in the second month, on the seven and twentieth day of the month, was the earth dried. (15) And God spake unto Noah, saying,...

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Genesis 8:13–18 ... (16) Go forth of the ark, thou, and thy wife, and thy sons, and thy sons' wives with thee. (17) Bring forth with thee every living thing that is with thee, of all flesh, both of fowl, and of cattle, and of every creeping thing that creepeth upon the earth; that they may breed abundantly in the earth, and be fruitful, and multiply upon the earth. (18) And Noah went forth, and his sons, and his wife, and his sons' wives with him:

Judgment and Redemption in the Great Flood

1 Peter 3:20–21 Which sometime were disobedient, when once the longsuffering of God waited in the days of Noah, while the ark was a preparing, wherein few, that is, eight souls were saved by water. (21) The like figure whereunto even baptism doth also now save us (not the putting away of the filth of the flesh, but the answer of a good conscience toward God,) by the resurrection of Jesus Christ:

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Romans 6:3–6 Know ye not, that so many of us as were baptized into Jesus Christ were baptized into his death? (4) Therefore we are buried with him by baptism into death: that like as Christ was raised up from the dead by the glory of the Father, even so we also should walk in newness of life. (5) For if we have been planted together in the likeness of his death, we shall be also in the likeness of his resurrection: (6) Knowing this, that our old man is crucified with him, **that the body of sin might be destroyed,** that henceforth we should not serve sin.