DEMONIC INVASION — GENESIS 6:1-4

1

DIVINE BLESSING (Ge.6:1)

Now it came to pass, when men began to multiply on the face of the earth, and daughters were born to them (Ge.6:1)

- Marrying and procreating was a normal life. The blessing was "be fruitful and multiply and fill the earth" (Ge.1:28).
- At the rapture it will be just like in the days of Noah (**Mt.24:36-39**). The unconverted people of the world have a blessing in family, marriage, and children. This is the common grace life given by God. They were living their lives, unaware of coming judgment.

2 DEMONIC CORRUPTION (Ge.6:2)

THE LIE

COMMON GRACE

that the sons of God saw the daughters of men, that they were beautiful; and they took wives for themselves of all whom they chose (Ge.6:2)

- "Sons of God" do not refer to man. Men in the Old Testament are never designated as sons of God. Sons of God are angels (Jb.38:7).
- This shows you how far man had gone in abusing marriage. The phrase "took wives" is used to refer to the actual transaction of marriage.
- How can an immaterial spiritual being marry a woman? The demons would have to possess the body of a man. **Jude 1:6** refers to the "angels who did not keep their proper domain." They left the spirit world and inhabited men as a religious event bringing deception.
- Why would a man want to become the house of a demon? Man is open to the spirits because he believes this would enable them to circumvent judgment, death, and ultimately become a god (**Ge.3:3-4**). This is the continuation of that lie that was first presented to Eve.

3 DIVINE RESPONSE (Ge.6:3)

COMING JUDGMENT

And the LORD said, "My Spirit shall not strive with man forever, for he is indeed flesh; yet his days shall be one hundred and twenty years. (Ge.6:3)

- God is saying, I am going to destroy man ("My Spirit shall not strive with man forever"). God is focused on judgment He will bring upon man because man here is to blame. God has a judgment plan for demons. That's not the focus here. Man is the focus.
- Man appears to invite or grant access for the demons to possess them. Man must believe there is a benefit.
- Man has become so corrupt he tries to overrule God's sentence of death by welcoming demons into his personal life.
- Man "is indeed flesh" means he cannot become something different, nor can some illusion be true that transcends God's judgment.

DEPRAVED HUMANITY (Ge.6:4)

MORTALITY CONTINUES

There were giants 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. (Ge.6:4)

- "Giants" is the word *Nephilim* meaning 'great men.' The term is only used twice in the OT (**Ge.6:4**; **Nu.13:33**). They were simply wellknown "men of renown." The "giants" already existed before and after the Flood. They were not the result of the union in **Genesis 6:1-2**.
- The phrase "the men of renown" implies that a cycle of stories was current about the giants. But they were mere men. They were "indeed flesh" and nothing more. Demon possession does not change human nature. This verse refers to them three times as "men."
- The point of mentioning these demon possessed men appears to be that they were promised power (over death and judgment) in exchange for their soul. They would have power now, and avoid judgment in the future. But this was the deception! They still died.

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