

THE ETERNAL STATUS OF THE NEPHILIM

In the Angelic Conflict, Satan attacked the first marriage in the Garden of Eden resulting in the fall of Adam (Gen.3). Then Satan, following the prophecy of the messianic seed of the woman (Gen.3:15), attacked the messianic seed of the first Antediluvian family, Cain and Abel. (Gen.4). And then, once again attacking the prophecy of the messianic seed, Satan attacked the entire Sethite lineage (Gen.6).

In our [last study](#), we discussed the Scriptural background to the Nephilim (sons of God, co-inhabiting with daughters of men and having children called Nephilim). We learned that the Nephilim became the third race of the Antediluvian civilization (Cainites, Sethites, and Nephilim).

In this lesson, we will explore five aspects of the Eternal Status of the Nephilim.

1. We will explain why the Nephilim were not the offspring of Cainite's co-inhabiting with the daughters of the Sethites.

If they were, they couldn't have polluted the genetics of humanity (enosh men) (Gen.6:5).

God saw the Nephilim as evil (Gen.6:5) and the corruption of all flesh (Gen.6:12) and reasoned to destroy all of the polluted flesh of the Antediluvian world (Gen.6:12; 7:21-23; 8:21-22; 9:8-17) [The Rainbow Covenant].

The only exception was Noah's family (Gen.6:8-10)

(Gen.6:8) "But Noah **found favor** in the eyes of the Lord."

The Lord explains why Noah found favor in God's sight:

(Gen.6:9 "Noah was a **righteous man, blameless** (tamin) [perfect, whole, healthy] **in his generation** (dor/ LXX/ genea/ genetic; generation);

(2 Pet.2:4-5) **Noah walked with God.**" (1 Pet.3:18-22)

(Jude 6) "Angels who did not keep their own domain, but abandoned their proper abode, He has kept in eternal bonds under darkness for the judgment of the great day." (Ryrie Study NASB footnotes)

2. Nephilim were the only Antediluvian race without a recorded genealogy in the Bible as did the Cainites and Sethites. (Gen.4-5)

This means either they produced only male Nephilim (nplm) or they had no offspring's, because they were only a one generation race.

- Remember this is Satan's attack upon Gen.3:15 (the messianic seed of woman).
- Remember this was the corruption of humanity (all flesh, except Noah's family). (Gen.6:9-12).
- Remember this Angelic Conflict will continue until the end of human history (Rev.20).

3. We will examine three other reasons why the Nephilim were not the off-spring of the Cainites and Sethites.

The three reasons are given in (Matt.1:3-5). Three Gentile women are recorded in the lineage of Jesus Christ (Matt.1:1-17). They give us an important **formula of biblical genealogy**.

(Matt.1:3)

- **Judah** (lineage Jew)
 - **Plus (+) Tamar** [Canaanite Gentile]
 - Equaled (=) **Perez (Jew)**

(Matt.1:5a)

- **Salmon** (lineage Jew)
 - **Plus (+) Rahab** [Canaanite Gentile]
 - Equaled (=) **Boaz (Jew)**

(Matt.1:5b)

- **Boaz** (lineage Jew)
 - **Plus (+) Ruth** [Moabite Gentile]
 - Equaled (=) **Obed (Jew)**

Note the biblical genealogy formula follows the male.

- **Fallen** angels (son of God)
 - **Plus (+) Cainites and Sethite** (daughters of men)
 - Equaled (=) **Fallen ones** (Nephilim).

4. We see this same formula with the conception and birth of the Son of God, Jesus Christ.

(Lk.1:31-35)

- **God the Holy Spirit** (Luke 1:31, 34-35)
 - **Plus (+) Mary [The woman fulfilling the prophecy of Gen.3:15]** (Lk.1:32-33)
 - Equaled (=) **The Son of God, Jesus Christ** (John 1:31-34; Matt.3:13-17)

Therefore, we refer to the humanity of Jesus Christ as being a Hypostatic Union.

- Undiminished Deity and True Humanity in one unique man of the universe. (Phil.2:6-11).

(Gal.4:4) “But when the fullness of the time came, **God sent forth His Son**, born of a woman, born under the Law.” (John 3:16; 1 Pet.1:10-12)

(1 John 3:8) “The one who practices sin is of the devil; for the devil sinned from the beginning. **The Son of God appeared for this purpose, to destroy the works of the devil.**”

The Angelic Conflict (AC) is now in its final stage of warfare (Mark 1:21-28; Heb.1:1-4; 2 Pet.3:3-7; John 12:27-36). This war will continue until the end of human history; when Jesus Christ will condemn them to the Lake of Fire. (Matt.13:36-43) [tares] (Rev.20:7-10; Matt.25:41; 1 Cor.6:1-3)

5. If classified under “fallen angels”, they also fall under “fallen angel” judgment (1 Pet.3:18-22).

The gospel was not optional for the Nephilim no more than it was for Satan, fallen angels, or demons because of the “fallen angel” judgment. (Matt.25:41; James 2:19; Heb.2:16)

(Rev.20:10) “And the devil who deceived them **was thrown into the lake of fire and brimstone**, where the beast and false prophet are also; and they will be tormented day and night forever and ever.”

(Rev.20:14-15) “Then death and Hades were thrown into the **lake of fire**. This is the **second death, the lake of fire**. And if anyone’s name was not found written in the book of life, **he was thrown into the lake of fire.**”