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THE NEPHILIM RACE (Part #1)

The purpose of the study of the **Days of Noah** (The Antediluvian Civilization) comes from Jesus' comparison to the **Days of the Son of Man** in (Matt.24:37-39).

This is important to us because we live in the Days of the Son of Man (The Postdiluvian Civilization).

In our lesson text, God tells us that the primary cause of Divine Judgment upon the Antediluvian Civilization was the saturation of evil exemplified by the **Nephilim Race (Gen.6-9)**.

(Gen.6:5) "Then the Lord saw that:

- 1) the wickedness of man was great on the earth, and that
- 2) every thought of his heart was **only evil continually**."

In Gen.8:21, this <u>evil wickedness</u> was taught to the children of the Antediluvian Civilization as truth, incredibly early in their lives, and as a result it developed an entire culture of evil - "For the intent of man's heart is evil from his youth."

This brings us our lesson entitled, The Nephilim Race.

(Gen.6:4) "The **Nephilim** were on the earth <u>in those days, and also afterward,</u> **when** the sons of God came into the daughters of men, <u>and they bore children to them</u>. Those were the mighty men who were of old, men of renown."

We will study <u>six aspects</u> of the Nephilim Race that brought the Flood upon the Antediluvian Civilization and the world.

1. Jesus identified this evil wickedness as normal everyday living of the Antediluvian Civilization.

(Matt.24:38) "They were eating and drinking, marrying and giving in marriage, **until the DAY** that Noah entered the ark".

Jesus taught that because of <u>evil wickedness</u>, the Antediluvian Civilization became "without understanding of divine truth and judgment.

(Matt.24:39) "And **they did not understand until** the flood came and took them away; so will the coming of the Son of Man be." (2 Cor.4:3-4; 2 Pet.2:5)

It occurred over a period of 5 of 10 generations of The Antediluvian Civilization (Jared to Noah) (Gen.5).

2. It is important to understand the meaning of the Hebrew word Nephilim.

The Hebrew word "Nephilim" (those causing others to fall) is a noun from the verb "niphal" (fallen one).

The suffix (im) of Nephilim makes it plural (fallen ones) based on Divine Viewpoint of a Third RACE in the Antediluvian Civilization.

3. The Nephilim Race was the fallen offspring of the daughters of men marrying the sons of God (Gen.6:1-8). NOTE: This is not to be confused with Adam's Fall of Rom.5:12.

The Antediluvian Civilization consisted of three races: Cainites, Sethites, and Nephilim.

(Gen.6:12) "God looked upon the earth, and behold, it was corrupt, for **all flesh had corrupted** their way upon the earth."

4. This third Race, the Nephilim, was a genetically corrupted flesh of mankind of the Antediluvian Civilization.

It was another satanic attack against the messianic genealogy of Adam and Eve.

Satan attack Eve, and then Adam, regarding The Word of God of Gen.2:16-17. Then he attacked the Prophetic Promise of Gen.3:15 and again later with Cain against Abel (Gen.4; 1 John 3:12).

Satan, creating this Evil Race of the Nephilim was just another attack against the "Seed", **the genealogy of Christ,** promised in Gen.3:15-16. (Luke 3:23-38 compared to Gen.4:25-26).

The Nephilim were the only Antediluvian Civilization Race without a biblical genealogy because they were corrupted flesh. here is NO recorded genealogy of Nephilim.

- The Cainite genealogy is recorded in Gen.4:16-21.
- The Sethite genealogy is recorded in Gen.4:25-32.
- 5. An important doctrinal principle when studying biblical genealogy is that <u>the male carries the descendant's lineage.</u>

A Cainite woman marries a <u>Cainite man:</u>
 A Sethite woman marries a <u>Sethite man:</u>
 The child is a Cainite
 The child is a Sethite

A Cainite woman marries a <u>Sethite man:</u>
A Sethite woman marries a <u>Cainite man:</u>
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The child is a Cainite

Two examples taken from Jesus' genealogy of (Matt.1:5)

Rahab (Canaanite) Marries Salome (a Judean Jew) The child (Boaz) is Judean Jew
 Ruth (Moabite) Marries Boaz (a Judean Jew) The child (Obed) is Judean Jew

6. Sons of God (Fallen Angels) married the daughters of (Man), Sethites and of Cainites, producing the Evil offspring called the Nephilim. They were corrupted genetic flesh – not to be confused with those born of Adam as recorded in (Rom.5:12).

A special Hebrew term was given to the copulation between the sons of God and daughters of man in Gen.6:4.

"Bo" (qal impf) = came, rather than "yada" (qal pf) = know found in Gen.4:1.

Satan's attack was upon the "seed" of Christ, prophetically decreed to come through the daughters of man in (Gal.3:15; Acts 17:26) was through the production of these children, which the Scripture calls the Nephilim. (2 Pet.2:4-5; Jude 6-7).