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“Noah Redux”

*“For as were the days of Noah, so will be the coming of the Son of Man.”
(Matthew 24:37)*

Final Phase of the Depravity Cycle

Genesis 6:1-5 – (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. (3) Then the LORD said, ‘My Spirit shall not abide in man forever, for he is flesh: his days shall be 120 years.’ (4) The Nephilim (*a feller, a bully or tyrant*) 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 (*lofty, conspicuous*). (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.”

The Fruit of Unmitigated Depravity

Genesis 6:11-13 – (11) “Now the earth was corrupt in God’s sight, and the earth was filled with violence. (12) And God saw the earth, and behold, it was corrupt, for all flesh had corrupted their way on the earth. (13) And God said to Noah, ‘I have determined to make an end of all flesh, for the earth is filled with violence through them. Behold, I will destroy them with the earth.’”

God’s Man

Genesis 6:8-10 – (8) “But Noah found favor in the eyes of the LORD. (9) These are the generations of Noah. Noah was a righteous man, blameless in his generation. Noah walked with God. (10) And Noah had three sons, Shem, Ham, and Japheth.”

God’s Plan

Genesis 6:13-14, 17-18 – (13) “And God said to Noah, ‘I have determined to make an end of all flesh, for the earth is filled with violence through them. Behold, I will destroy them with the earth. (14) Make yourself an ark of gopher wood. Make rooms in the ark, and cover it inside and out with pitch. (17) For behold, I will bring a flood of waters upon the earth to destroy all flesh in which is the breath of life under heaven. Everything that is on the earth shall die. (18) But I will establish my

covenant with you, and you shall come into the ark, you, your sons, your wife, and your sons' wives with you.”

For Us:

(1) Find Refuge in Jesus

“Come, my people, enter your chambers, and shut your doors behind you; hide yourselves for a little while until the fury has passed by. For behold, the LORD is coming out from his place to punish the inhabitants of the earth for their iniquity, and the earth will disclose the blood shed on it, and will no more cover its slain.” (Isaiah 26:20-21)

(2) Stay Close to Jesus

“Come to me, all who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest.” (Matthew 11:28)

(3) Resist Worldly Integration

“Then I heard another voice from heaven saying, ‘Come out of her, my people, lest you take part in her sins, lest you share in her plagues; for her sins are heaped high as heaven, and God has remembered her iniquities.’” (Revelation 18:4-5)

Questions:

What impacted me the most in this message?

Who is our Noah? (John 3:16; Acts 4:12)

What is our most important work as Christians? (Heb. 4:11; 1 John 2:28; John 15:4)

Am I too tied in to the culture which is on the brink of God’s judgment? (Luke 17:32)

(ESV used unless otherwise noted)