

Understanding Genesis 6:1-4

Sons of God ~ Nephilim ~ Mighty Men

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Genesis 6:1–4 (ESV)

"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 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."

Genesis 3:15 (ESV)

“I will put enmity between you and the woman, and between your offspring and her offspring; He shall bruise you head, and you shall bruise His heel.”

Answering objections to the Angel View (Gen. 6:1-4)

1. Angels don't marry
2. Angels are exclusively spiritual creatures
3. Nephilim are mentioned in the post-flood world
4. 'Abnormal' men
5. It can be replicated any time

Genesis 7:21–23 (ESV)

“...all flesh died that moved on the earth, birds, livestock, beasts, all swarming creatures that swarm on the earth, and all mankind. (22)Everything on the dry land in whose nostrils was the breath of life died. (23)He blotted out every living thing that was on the face of the ground, man and animals and creeping things and birds of the heavens. They were blotted out from the earth. Only Noah was left, and those who were with him in the ark.”

Matthew 8:28–29 (ESV)

"And when he came to the other side, to the country of the Gadarenes, two demon-possessed men met him, coming out of the tombs, so fierce that no one could pass that way. (29)And behold, they cried out, 'What have you to do with us, O Son of God? Have you come here to torment us before the time?'"

Ephesians 4:9-10 (ESV)

"(In saying, 'He ascended,' what does it mean but that He had also descended into the lower regions, the earth? (10)He who descended is the one who also ascended far above all the heavens, that he might fill all things.)"

Revelation 12:4 (ESV)

"His tail swept down a third of the stars of heaven and cast them to the earth. And the dragon stood before the woman who was about to give birth, so that when she bore her child he might devour it."

Matthew 24:38–39 (ESV)

"For as in those days before the flood they were eating and drinking, marrying and giving in marriage, until the day when Noah entered the ark, (39) and they were unaware until the flood came and swept them all away, so will be the coming of the Son of Man."