

# The Beginning of Judgment

## Lesson #3

### Genesis 5:1-9:17

The first account of Adam comes to its close in chapter 5. The reader is reminded that God created man in his own likeness. God created both male and female, named them *adam* (mankind) and blessed them. After this review, the lineage of Adam is given.

1. How many years did each man live? (Genesis 5:1-32)

- Adam
  
- Seth
  
- Enosh
  
- Kenan
  
- Mahalel
  
- Jared
  
- Enoch
  
- Methuselah
  
- Lamech

Noah is mentioned in Genesis 5:32 stating that at 500 years of age, Noah had three sons, Shem, Ham and Japheth setting the stage for the next part of God's story.

#### **Depravity Increased - Genesis 6:1-8**

Chapter 6 began *"When men began to increase in number on the earth and daughters were born to them, the sons of God saw that the daughters of men were beautiful, and they married any of them they chose. Then the LORD said, "My Spirit will not contend with men forever, for he is mortal; his days will be a hundred and twenty years". (NIV)*

There has been a lot of debate as to who were the sons of God and the daughters of men. Often the commentators will say the sons of God were fallen angels. But neither the text nor the context support that. It most likely refers to godly men (sons of God) and sinful women (descendants of Cain). Angels do not cohabit with humans.

Verse 4 continued, *“The Nephilim were on the earth in those days - and also afterward - when the sons of God went to the daughters of men and had children by them. They were heroes of old, men of renown”*. (NIV) The story we are following is how sin that began with Eve’s questioning what God said had now become so bad that God must carry out judgement.

2. How are these men described? (Genesis 6:5)
  
3. How did God feel about what He had made? (Genesis 6:6)

*“But Noah found favor in the eyes of the LORD”* (Genesis 6:8).

**The Account of Noah - Genesis 6:9-22**

4. What is said about Noah? (Genesis 6:9)
  
5. Once again, the reader is reminded that Noah had three sons and that all the people of the earth were corrupt and full of violence. What did God tell Noah? (Genesis 6:13)
  
6. God also instructed Noah to build a huge ark 450 feet long, 75 feet wide and 45 feet high. Why did God tell Noah to build that huge ark? (Genesis 6:17)
  
7. Then, for the first time in the Bible God said he would establish *“my covenant”*. Who and what would be preserved on the ark? (Genesis 6:18-20)
  
8. What else did God instruct Noah to do? (Genesis 6:21)

9. What was Noah's response to this unusual request? (Genesis 6:22)

**The Flood - Genesis 7:1-24**

10. When God was about to send the flood, He told Noah and his family to go into the ark. What else did he tell Noah? (Genesis 7:1)

11. How many animals were to accompany Noah on the ark? (Genesis 7:2, 3)

12. God told Noah of the coming judgment beforehand. What did God tell Noah He was about to do? (Genesis 7:4)

13. This must have been hard for Noah to comprehend. Up to this point in history, how had the earth been watered? (Genesis 2:5, 6)

14. Did Noah obey the LORD? (Genesis 7:5)

15. How would Noah get all the animals? (Genesis 7:8)

16. How old was Noah when the flood began? (Genesis 7:11, 12)

17. Where did the water come from? (Genesis 7:11, 12)

18. How was the door to the ark closed? (Genesis 7:16b)

19. How deep did the water get? (Genesis 7:20)
  
20. What was the result of this? (Genesis 7:21-23)
  
21. How long did the water flood the earth? (Genesis 7:24)

**The Flood Ceases - Genesis 8:1-14**

Try to imagine what it was like for Noah and his family to be on the ark for five long months with no dry ground visible. *“But God remembered Noah”* (Genesis 8:1). The word *“remembered”* does not mean God forgot Noah, but that He now expressed concern for him and lavished His gracious love on Noah.

22. God closed the floodgates both from rain above and the springs from below, and then sent a wind to dry up the water. Noah sent out a raven, but it could not find any dry ground, so it returned to Noah. Then he sent out a dove with the same results. After waiting an additional seven days, what was the result when he sent this dove out? (Genesis 8:11)
  
23. Noah waited an additional seven days before sending the dove out a third time. This time it did not return (Genesis 8:12). How much longer did it take before the ground completely dried? (Genesis 8:13, 14)
  
24. *“Then God said to Noah, “Come out of the ark, you and your wife and your sons and their wives”* (Genesis 8:15, 16). So Noah, his family and all the animals left the ark as God had commanded. What was the first thing Noah did after leaving the ark? (Genesis 8:20)
  
25. What was the Lord’s response? (Genesis 8:21, 22)

**God's Covenant with Noah - Genesis 9:1-17**

26. God then gave Noah the same command He had given to Adam and Eve in Genesis 1:28, which was to be fruitful, to increase in number and to fill the earth. What was different now? (Genesis 1:29 and Genesis 9:2, 3)
  
27. With whom did God establish his covenant? (Genesis 9:8-10)
  
28. What was God's promise through this covenant? (Genesis 9:11)
  
29. Covenants were accompanied by a sign as a perpetual reminder. What was the sign of the covenant God made with Noah? (Genesis 9:12-17)