

SERMON NOTES

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Curious Conversations | Giants & the Bible

-Giants have caught the _____ of our culture for many years!

-Our Bibles are full of _____ & _____ stories,

and as Bible-believing Christians we have a _____ to tell them all!

-Remember, reading the Bible is a _____ - _____ ,

_____ - _____ experience!

Genesis 6:1-8, NET; *“When humankind began to multiply on the face of the earth, and daughters were born to them, the sons of God saw that the daughters of humankind were beautiful. Thus they took wives for themselves from any they chose. So the Lord said, “My Spirit will not remain in humankind indefinitely, since they are mortal. They will remain for 120 more years.” The Nephilim were on the earth in those days (and also after this) when the sons of God would sleep with the daughters of humankind, who gave birth to their children. They were the mighty heroes of old, the famous men. But the Lord saw that the wickedness of humankind had become great on the earth. Every inclination of the thoughts of their minds was only evil all the time. The Lord regretted that he had made humankind on the earth, and he was highly offended. So the Lord said, “I will wipe humankind, whom I have created, from the face of the earth—everything from humankind to animals, including creatures that move on the ground and birds of the air, for I regret that I have made them.” But Noah found favor in the sight of the Lord”.*

UNDERSTANDING THE CONTEXT | GENESIS 1 - 5

GENESIS | Chapters 1, 2, & 3 are _____ for understanding...

_____ God is. _____ we are. Our _____ in the world.

AND, _____ the world works!

Genesis 3:15 | the *protoevangelium* AKA, the _____ gospel.

Hostility between the seed of the _____ , and the seed of the _____ .

GENESIS | Chapters 4 & 5 shows that human beings (*the seed of the woman*) can be part of the

_____ & part of the _____ .

GIANTS & THE BIBLE | TWO VIEWS

1. The 'sons of God' are men from the _____ of _____.
 - Removes uncomfortable interactions with supernatural beings.
 - Retains a strong theological message of fallen man.
 - The *Nephilim* become a term for corrupted warrior-kings, dishonoring their lineage, hungering for power, intimidating with violence, pursuing the lusts of the flesh.
2. The 'sons of God' are truly fallen _____ .
 - Leaves many unanswerable questions! *How did it work? How often did it happen? What kind of hybrid beings did it create? Are they just GIANT? And sooo many more!!!*
 - Challenges our common western sense of strict Judeo-Christian MONOTHEISM.
However, New Testament writers seem to take this view. 1 Peter 2 & 3; Jude
 - The *Nephilim* after the flood are confusing. *Seeds of a 2nd post-flood rebellion? Just connected imagery that is reflective of the pre-flood nephilim? Other?!?!?*

GIANTS & THE BIBLE | *nephilim* word - study.

Hebrew word literally means, _____ .

THE SPECULATION SPECTRUM | *staying grounded...*

- We MUST be able to tell the difference between speculation and _____ .
- The Bible tells us what we _____ to know, NOT what we _____ to know!
- Be willing to understand & believe the Bible on its _____ .

THE FACTS OF THE MATTER | *what do we truly know...*

- The *nephilim* are only mentioned in one other verse of the BIBLE.... _____ : _____
- Yet, there is vast scriptural support for & discussion of GIANTS in the BIBLE. [see handout]
- Goliath gives us incredible context into the actual, potential size of 'giants' post-flood!
- Archeological evidence supports the existence of "giants" in the land!

WHAT DOES IT MEAN FOR US TODAY? |

- The Nephilim are a scriptural thread running throughout the OT.
- The Nephilim represent an overwhelming challenge and obstacle.
- The Nephilim represent a combination of spiritual evil and human corruption at work together.
- Giants in our world today still breed corruption, oppress innocent people, lead wars & devastation.
- Giants in our lives today are anything we face that makes us feel small, weak, or defeated.
- God is continually portrayed as the OVERCOMER in the battle against all GIANTS / SPIRITUAL EVIL!