

“THE CAUSES OF THE FLOOD”
(Genesis 6:4-8)

1. The **GENEALOGY** of ADAM to NOAH. (Genesis 5)
2. The **DEGENERATION** of MANKIND. (Genesis 6:1-5)
 - a. The **contribution of diabolical intermarriage** to God’s coming judgment. (6:1-3)
 - b. The **contribution of the offspring of diabolical intermarriage** to God’s coming judgment. (6:4)
 - 1) The *introduction* of the _____... “There were giants (Nephilim) on the earth in those days, and also afterward.”
 - What does the word “Nephilim” mean?
 - 2) The *location* of the Nephilim “was on the _____”.
 - What is the significance of this?
 - 3) The *timing* of the Nephilim was “in _____, and also _____.”
 - What does this mean and not mean?
 - How about Numbers 13:33?
 - 4) The *origin* of the Nephilim was “when the sons of God _____ the daughters of men and they bore _____ to them.”
 - What does this clarify?
 - 5) The *description* of the Nephilim was “those were the _____ who were of _____, men of _____.”
 - What does this indicate about the Gibborim?
 - How is the biblical record in contrast to the mythology of the past & the cinema of the present?
 - c. The **contribution of human depravity and degeneration** to God’s coming judgment. (6:5)
 - 1) The *accuracy of God’s evaluation* of the pre-flood world was because “then the _____”.
 - What do we need to be reminded of as believers?
 - 2) The *conclusion of God’s evaluation* of the pre-flood world was that it was filled with widespread, pervasive, habitual, external and internal _____.
 - What does this tell you about human depravity & degeneration and what man deserves?

3. The RESPONSES and RESOLVE of GOD. (Genesis 6:6-8)

a. The pain of God. (6:6)

1) The *personal name of God* throughout this passage is _____ (“And the LORD”) which emphasizes that He is the self-existent, strong, relational, promise-keeping God.

2) The *personal pain of God* is emphasized as “the LORD was _____ that He had made man on the earth, and He was _____ in His heart.”

- What have we observed about “pain” in Genesis?
- What does this teach us about God?

b. The plan of God. (6:7)

1) The *resolve of God* was “I _____ whom I _____ from the face of the earth”.

- What would be the extent of this massive destruction?

2) The *reason of God* for this world-wide destruction was “for I am _____ that I have made them.”

- What does this teach us about God as the sovereign, all-powerful, holy Creator of man?

c. The provision of God. (6:8)

1) The *contrast* to the rest of the pre-flood world is one individual ... “_____”.

2) The *climatic ending* of this toledot is “But Noah _____ in the eyes of the Lord”.

- What does this teach us about God’s love for man?
- What does this teach us about God’s grace?
- What does this mean to you?