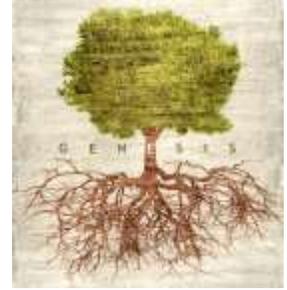


Genesis 6

Genesis 6 New Revised Standard Version (NRSV)



The Wickedness of Humankind

6 When people began to multiply on the face of the ground, and daughters were born to them, **2** the sons of God saw that they were fair; and they took wives for themselves of all that they chose. **3** Then the Lord said, “My spirit shall not abide[a] in mortals forever, for they are flesh; their days shall be one hundred twenty years.” **4** The Nephilim were on the earth in those days—and also afterward—when the sons of God went in to the daughters of humans, who bore children to them. These were the heroes that were of old, warriors of renown.

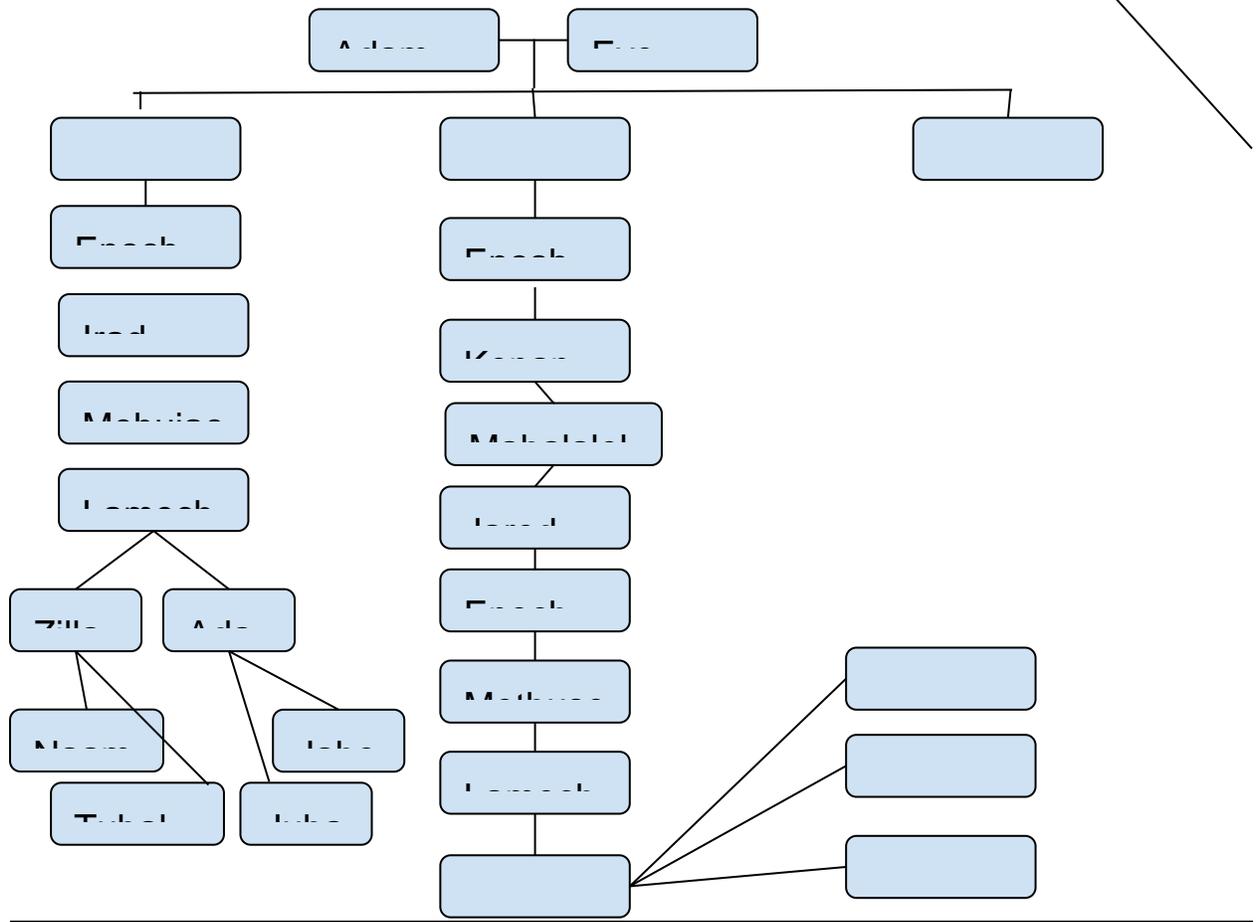
5 The Lord saw that the wickedness of humankind was great in the earth, and that every inclination of the thoughts of their hearts was only evil continually. **6** And the Lord was sorry that he had made humankind on the earth, and it grieved him to his heart. **7** So the Lord said, “I will blot out from the earth the human beings I have created—people together with animals and creeping things and birds of the air, for I am sorry that I have made them.” **8** But Noah found favor in the sight of the Lord.

Noah Pleases God

9 These are the descendants 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.

11 Now the earth was corrupt in God’s sight, and the earth was filled with violence. **12** And God saw that the earth was corrupt; for all flesh had corrupted its ways upon 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 because of them; now I am going to destroy them along with the earth. **14** Make yourself an ark of cypress[b] wood; make rooms in the ark, and cover it inside and out with pitch. **15** This is how you are to make it: the length of the ark three hundred cubits, its width fifty cubits, and its height thirty cubits. **16** Make a roof[c]

for the ark, and finish it to a cubit above; and put the door of the ark in its side; make it with lower, second, and third decks. **17** For my part, I am going to bring a flood of waters on the earth, to destroy from under heaven all flesh in which is the breath of life; 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. **19** And of every living thing, of all flesh, you shall bring two of every kind into the ark, to keep them alive with you; they shall be male and female. **20** Of the birds according to their kinds, and of the animals according to their kinds, of every creeping thing of the ground according to its kind, two of every kind shall come in to you, to keep them alive. **21** Also take with you every kind of food that is eaten, and store it up; and it shall serve as food for you and for them." **22** Noah did this; he did all that God commanded him.



Genogram of Adam through Noah

Study Questions for Genesis 6

6:1-4

-Why do you think Noah practiced celibacy longer than any of his ancestors? _____

-What do the first 5 chapters of Genesis and the first verse of chapter 6 summarize what had been taking place on earth up to this point? _____

-Who was noticing the fair daughters that had been born? _____

-How might these people be described? _____

-What were these people doing with these daughters? _____

-What curse does the Lord announce in verse 3? _____

-What table of the commandments is already being referred to at the end of Genesis 4?

-2 Peter 2:2-9 Is God to be feared? _____

-How do each of the meanings of the Ten Commandments in Luther's Small Catechism all begin? We are to _____ and _____ God so that we.....

-Who else was present on the earth at this time? _____

-Numbers 13:33 How does this verse describe how these people made others feel? _____

-What other ways can people "tower" over others? _____

-Proverbs 18:3 What do you think this verse means? Use the story of David and Bathsheba as an example. _____

6:5-8

-How does this verse describe what the Lord saw? _____

-Do you think the Lord was exaggerating about what he saw? _____

-Which table do you think fell first? _____

-When God looked at what was happening why do you think he later established the two tables of commandments? _____

-Did these people have a "free will"? _____

-Each Sunday we confess that we are in _____ to sin and cannot free ourselves? _____

-What do these words mean regarding the notion of having a "free will"? _____

-**Psalm 14:2-3** What does the Lord see from heaven? _____

-**Romans 3:9-13, 3:23** Is the New Testament in agreement with the Psalm? _____

-**Isaiah 64:6** What about the good deeds that we do? _____

-Where is the Lord's grieving found? _____

-What does the Lord decide to do? _____

-How does what the Lord is feeling compare to what he said in Genesis 1:31? _____

-Who is the only one that the Lord found favor? _____

6:9-22

-What are some of the details that God give Noah on building the ark?

-made out of _____ wood

-cover the inside and outside with _____

-make it _____ cubits long

-make it _____ cubits wide

-make it _____ cubits high

-make it to have _____ decks

-make a _____ to cover it

-put a _____ in its side

-What is the Lord's part? Vs. 17 _____

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- Who does the Lord make his covenant with? _____
 - How many people will be in the ark? _____
 - Why was Noah commanded to bring two of every kind? _____
 - What else was Noah instructed to bring into the ark? _____
 - What type of diet does this instruction seem to indicate man still observed? _____
 - What did Noah fail to do as the Lord commanded? _____