

Genesis 6:1-8, “There’s Reign in the Forecast”

6 When human beings began to increase in number on the earth and daughters were born to them, ² the sons of God saw that the daughters of humans were beautiful, and they married any of them they chose. ³ Then the Lord said, “My Spirit will not remain in humans forever, for they are mortal; their days will be a hundred and twenty years.” ⁴ The Nephilim were on the earth in those days—and also afterward—when the sons of God went to the daughters of humans and had children by them. They were the heroes of old, men of renown. ⁵ The Lord saw how great the wickedness of the human race had become on the earth, and that every inclination of the thoughts of the human heart was only evil all the time. ⁶ The Lord regretted that He had made human beings on the earth, and His heart was deeply troubled. ⁷ So the Lord said, “I will wipe from the face of the earth the human race I have created—and with them the animals, the birds and the creatures that move along the ground—for I regret that I have made them.” ⁸ But Noah found favor in the eyes of the Lord.

I. Who are the sons of God? (v1-2)

- Approach difficult biblical texts with _____
- The sons of God could be the godly offspring of Seth, ancient kings, or _____
- The belief with the most _____ evidence supports the sons of God were angels
- Every use of the term “sons of God” in the OT refers to _____ beings
- New testament authors, Peter and Jude, support the sons of God were angels

II. The Breath of Life (v3-4)

- The 120 years could be a new life-span for humans, or a grace period before God’s judgement
- God’s Spirit is the _____ of life
- God _____ human life
- The _____ were either the offspring of the sons of God, or they were a specific people group that indicated the time period

III. The heart of the issue (v5-8)

- The heart of the issue is always the _____
- Moses credits the sinfulness of humanity to the human heart
- God’s heart is _____ by sin
- Humans are born with a heart _____ to sin
- Our hearts must be _____

IV. Reign is coming (v7-8)

- God is going to destroy the known world with a flood and start a new creation
- Noah is chosen to demonstrate God’s reign on earth as a righteous king, and a new Adam

Discussion questions for the family

- Who could the sons of God have been?
- What answer is supported most by the Bible?
- Who could the Nephilim have been?
- Why did decide to flood the earth?
- What grieves the heart of God?
- What is Noah preserved by God to do?

Scripture Memorization for August

1 John 1:9

⁹ If we confess our sins, He is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

Worship music for the week

“Psalm 42”, by Shane and Shane

“Psalm 51”, by Shane and Shane

“Be still my soul”, by Eclipse

“Washed by the Blood”, by CityAlight

“The King and all of His beauty”, by Matt Boswell and Matt Papa

“All Glory be to Christ”, by Sovereign Grace

“The blood of Jesus speaks for me”, by Travis Cottrell

- These songs can be found on *YouTube* or *Spotify*