

- ii. Sons of God and daughters of men (6:1-8)
  - a. The identification of the sons of God
    - 1) The sons of God could not have been fallen angels because the word of God tells us that angels cannot marry and reproduce.
    - 2) They are the descendants of Seth who were the godly line.
  - b. The problem
    - 1) These sons of God looked at the daughters who came from the ungodly line of Cain who were beautiful.
    - 2) When the sons of God saw how beautiful they were, they wanted them and they wanted them so much that they began to marry them.
    - 3) When that happened the boundary between the sons of God, the godly line through whom the Messiah would come, and the ungodly line was being obliterated.
    - 4) The Lord wasn't pleased with that.
    - 5) Wickedness was increasing in the land.
  - c. The Lord's response
    - 1) It pained the Lord that he made man.
    - 2) The Lord said that he was going to wipe man and animals off the face of the earth.
    - 3) If the Lord had wiped every man off the face of the earth, what problem would he have to face?
      - i) The Lord made promises in Genesis and when the Lord makes a promise he keeps it.
      - ii) If the Lord wiped every man off the face of the earth, that promise that ~~one~~<sup>one</sup> would come from a woman who would destroy Satan wouldn't be fulfilled and there wouldn't be any human beings for the One who would come from the woman to save by his death.
    - 4) So we read a tremendous "But" in the word of God.
      - i) 6:7 - The Lord promises to destroy men and animals
      - ii) 6:8 - But Noah found favor in the eyes of the Lord.
        - a) In order to keep that promise that he made that one is going to ~~come~~<sup>come</sup> from the woman to destroy Satan and provide salvation for man, he is going to set Noah and his family apart.
        - b) One of the most thrilling things you see as you go through the OT is how the Lord keeps that godly line going and though man gets wicked, he will separate a man apart to