

A cosmic background featuring a view of Earth from space, showing the horizon and clouds. The Moon is visible in the upper center. The background is filled with a vibrant purple and blue nebula and a starry field.

THE BOOK OF
GENESIS

WHAT CAUSED THE FLOOD?

GENESIS 6:5-13

The dawning age of human history was brought to its tragic end by the Flood of Noah. The question is: **Why?**

- The days of Noah are far more than a historical issue.
- The unique events leading to the Flood are a prerequisite to understanding the prophetic implications of Jesus' predictions regarding His Second Coming, which He outlined in **Matthew 24** in the Olivet Discourse. ***Let's review a bit!***



BUT WHAT ELSE IS THERE?

Was it genetic mutation or recombination of some rotten DNA?

Were Seth's kids simply born bad to the bone?

So what else was going on?

Growing anarchy and terrorism v. 5-6

- Man's outward wickedness had become "*great in the earth,*" because his inward imaginations had become ***completely*** evil and ***always*** evil.



LET'S FACE IT, MANKIND IS STILL ON A PATH OF DESTRUCTION

- Demons or Nephilim can only control those whose minds are already so rebellious toward God or so obsessed with illicit desires as to be open to such possession.
- God acts with perfect judgment. There are certainly degrees of sin and therefore degrees of punishment that fit the severity of the sin.
- Without our repentance and salvation by grace, you get what you have earned.

GOD'S ANSWER TO MAN'S ANARCHY



Noah was merely a
SINNER SAVED BY GRACE!

- First, Noah ***“found grace.”***
- Then, Noah was ***“a just man,”*** that is, “justified” or “declared to be righteous.”
- Because of this he was ***“perfect in his generations”*** or “complete;” he revolved around God and was obedient to the Word of God.
- Therefore he was able to ***“walk with God.”***




IT'S NOT EASY TO WALK RIGHT-SIDE UP IN AN UPSIDE-DOWN WORLD

- The moral pressures must have been overwhelming.
- So far as we know, he preached light in darkness for more than a hundred years with no converts except some in his own family.

**Yet Noah was forgiven, faithful, and fruitful,
which is our model to this day.**

UNFORTUNATELY, TIME'S UP v. 11-13

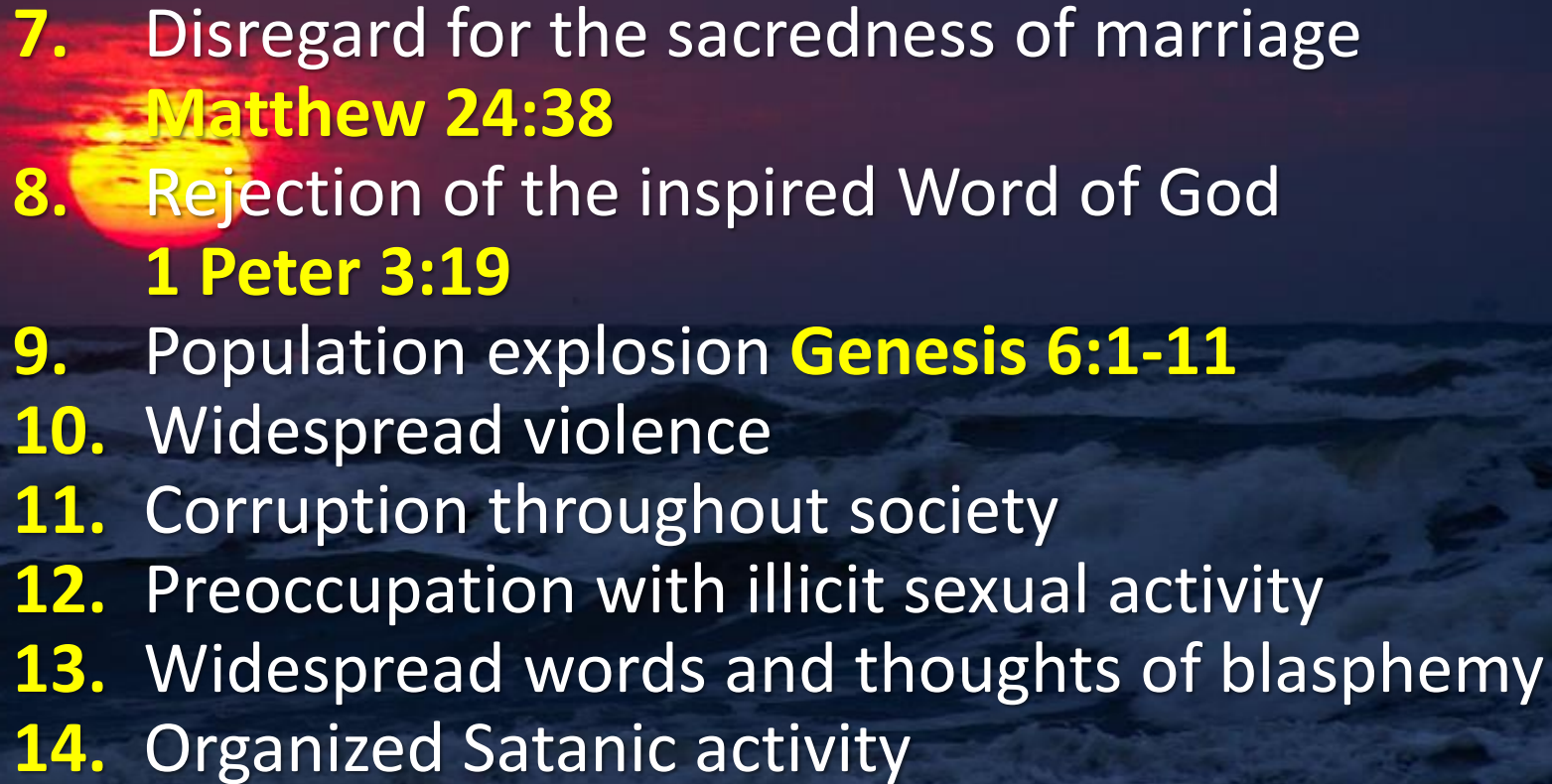


God now proceeds to rehearse the reasons for the coming destruction.

- The earth was corrupt; it was filled with violence; all flesh had corrupted his way; lives of ease and excess were the norm.
- The word for “*corrupt*,” Hebrew *shachath*, is a very strong term and is often translated “*destroy*.”
- Mankind had finally destroyed themselves.

THE WHOLE BIBLICAL PICTURE

1. Preoccupation with physical **Luke 17:27**
2. Rapid advances in technology **Genesis 4:22**
3. Materialistic attitudes and interests **Luke 17:28**
4. Uniformitarian philosophies **Hebrews 11:7**
5. Inordinate devotion to music, pleasure, and comfort **Genesis 4:21**
6. No concern for God in belief or conduct
2 Peter 2:5; Jude 15

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7. Disregard for the sacredness of marriage
Matthew 24:38
 8. Rejection of the inspired Word of God
1 Peter 3:19
 9. Population explosion **Genesis 6:1-11**
 10. Widespread violence
 11. Corruption throughout society
 12. Preoccupation with illicit sexual activity
 13. Widespread words and thoughts of blasphemy
 14. Organized Satanic activity

Are you ready to see Jesus?