

Aim: The flood & giants in the Bible

When we do the other Creation Honour we go into a lot of detail about the ark and the flood, but not in this Creation Honour. Before we start however, does anyone have any questions they would like to ask about the Ark and the flood, and we will see if anyone remembers how they can be answered?

Briefly discuss any questions – if unsure about the answers – note the question and bring the answers back next week. (Check plan 1 talks, and Creation Ministries website for answers)

Turn to Genesis 6

Read Genesis 6:1-6

We know very little about the 'Nephilites' or 'Nephilium' because the word is used only one other time in the Bible, and we will look at that soon.

Many versions of the Bible translate these verses as the 'Sons of God' had children with the 'daughters of men', and there is some confusion and disagreement among Bible scholars as to what these terms mean, because they can mean different things.

For example:

The book of Job (Job 1:6) uses the same words 'Sons of God', when it talks of them presenting themselves to the Lord and then says that Satan came among them. The NIV Bible says 'the angels came... ..and Satan also came...' So here, 'Sons of God' appears to be referring to God's angels.

Who is also called the 'Son of God' in Mark 1:1? (Jesus)

In fact, Jesus is called the 'Son of God' in several places in the Bible. He is also called Himself the 'Son of Man'.

Who is also called the 'Son of God' in Luke 3:38? (Adam)

Christian people are also called the 'Sons of God', or the 'Children of God' in Romans 8:14, the NLT version says the 'Children of God', the KJV and several other versions say the 'Sons of God.'

Now whether Genesis 6 is referring generally to men whose families, or parents, followed God, or to descendants of Seth, or to some of the last sons of Adam, or men who were possessed by evil spirits (angels) – we don't know. But it appears that they, like Samson, were choosing wives based only on their beauty, not on their character or love for God.

Daughters of men, might mean daughters whose families did not follow God, or might actually mean descendants of Cain.

In the workbook turn to 'Tall People in the Bible'. Working in small groups or individually, look up each reference and fill in the answers. Note you might need to read back a few verses to get the context of the verse.