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THERE WERE ONLY EIGHT

When God called Noah to build an ark there had not been any rain on earth up to that time. He did not understand what a flood was but was obedient to build an ark anyway. In 2 Peter 2:5 we read, ***“And spared not the old world, but saved Noah the eighth person, a preacher of righteousness, bringing in the flood upon the world of the ungodly;”*** When we turn to Genesis, we learn ***that “Noah found grace in the eyes of the Lord.”*** (Genesis 6:8) Noah preached for one hundred years, but it made no difference. Only he, and the other seven members of his family were saved through the flood.

What was different about Noah? Why did he alone and his family find grace? The earlier part of Genesis 6 gives us a clue. In 6:2 it says, “that the sons of God (these are fallen angels) saw the daughters of men that they were fair; and they took them wives of all which they chose.” These fallen angels created a race of giants (Nephilim), (verse 4) that did not have the purity of Adam’s seed. Noah was the only one in the lineage from Adam that had not polluted his seed with these demonic angels.

In Genesis 6:5 it says, ***“And God saw that the wickedness of man was great in the earth, and that every imagination the thoughts of his heart was only evil continually.”*** Because of this, in verse 7 God speaks again, ***“And the Lord said, I will destroy man whom I have created from the face of the earth; both man, and beast, and the creeping thing, and the fowls of the air; for it repenteth me that I have made them.”***

In Matthew 24:37 Jesus is speaking and said, ***“But as the days of Noah were so shall also the coming of the Son of man be.”*** This is such an astounding statement. If we are to take it literally, and I do, then it means in the days of Jesus’ return there will be evil continually, that every imagination of men’s heart would be done. If it caused God to destroy the world then, why would we believe that it would be different at his return?

There are many that call themselves Christians but have never been fruitful in their lives towards the things of God. I believe that there have been prophetic warnings given, (including some that I have given) that have warned the world to repent, to turn from their evil ways and prepare like never before in the secret place with God. Many are putting their trust in a President instead of the King of Kings. Many are complacent in their lives with sin, and if it is true that it will be like Noah’s days, then there will not be as many going to heaven as some believe. I believe that to be truth. It is time to repent individually for not being obedient to the Word of God. It is time to repent from idolatry of serving anything other than God. That includes governmental leaders by the way. It is time to say I am going to go with God even if no one else goes with God. It is time to rise up and be what God has called his body to be, and not back down. Noah made a stand for righteousness and was saved. We need to do the same. Yes, there will be more than 8, but how many more only God knows.