

Timeline of Truth: Genesis 6:1-7 – God Grieves Over Sin

<i>Passage</i>	<i>Thoughts</i>
<p>¹ Now it came to pass, when men began to multiply on the face of the earth, and daughters were born to them, ² that the sons of God saw the daughters of men, that they <i>were</i> beautiful; and they took wives for themselves of all whom they chose.</p> <p>³ And the LORD said, "My Spirit shall not strive with man forever, for he <i>is</i> indeed flesh; yet his days shall be one hundred and twenty years."</p> <p>⁴ There were giants on the earth in those days, and also afterward, when the sons of God came in to the daughters of men and they bore <i>children</i> to them. Those <i>were</i> the mighty men who <i>were</i> of old, men of renown.</p> <p>⁵ Then the LORD saw that the wickedness of man <i>was</i> great in the earth, and <i>that</i> every intent of the thoughts of his heart <i>was</i> only evil continually.</p> <p>⁶ And the LORD was sorry that He had made man on the earth, and He was grieved in His heart.</p> <p>⁷ So the LORD said, "I will destroy man whom I have created from the face of the earth, both man and beast, creeping thing and birds of the air, for I am sorry that I have made them."</p>	<p>Population grows</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Be fruitful, multiply - More females? <p>Polygamy skyrockets</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Lust reigns - God's plan of marriage is rejected - Marriages are mixed (righteous with unrighteous?) - [Ongoing problem through the ages...] - Gen 4:19 – Lamech - Deut 17:17 – Kings - Judges 8:30 – Gideon - 2 Sam 5:13 – David - 1 King 11:3 – Solomon - Ezra 10 – Priests - Others - 2 Cor 6:14 <p>Point-of-no-return Passes</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Not forever - Shortened days <p>(4) Parenthetical details</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Giants - Result of mixed marriages <p>God Sees</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Amount: wickedness great - Extent: Each intent evil continually <p>God Grieves</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Sinful man makes God sorry - Sinful man makes God grieve <p>God Responds</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - His decision: I will destroy man - His right: whom I have created - His extent: all land beings - His reason: I am sorry that I have made them <p>Implications for now?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - God sees - God grieves - God acts

Key Concepts:

1. Sin Keeps Getting Worse and Worse – Genesis 6:1

- They ignored God's existence (pretended God wasn't there)
- They ignored God's punishment and need for His mercy (doing what they wanted, not worshiping God)
- They ignored God's plan and design in marriage (marrying as many as they wanted)

2. God, Who Is Holy, Will Not Put Up with Sin Forever (Indefinitely) – Genesis 6:2-6

- God Sees Sin
- God Grieves (Is Sad) Over Sin
- God Sets a Time Limit, and Then Punishes Sin

3. God, at This Time, Decides to Destroy Everyone and Everything on Earth – Genesis 6:7