

SERIES TITLE: Leave a Legacy

PART 2: BOUNDARIES

TEXT: GENESIS 6:1-8

INTRODUCTION. Genesis 1-4 tell of Creation, Fall, and the dreadful consequences of sin in the human family. Genesis 12-50 give the account of God's chosen family. Chapters 5-11 connect those two themes. This section is framed by two genealogies of 10 generations each: Adam to Noah (5:1-32); Noah to Terah (11:10-26). The first genealogy and the subsequent account of Noah are the focus of this series.

EXAMINATION.

Vv.1-2 Who are the "sons of god" in this passage? (Consider Job 1:6; Job 2:1; Psalm 29:1; Daniel 3:25; Jude 6-7; 2 Peter 2:4)

V.3 Why would God put this general limit on human life spans?

V.4 If the origin of the term Nephilim comes from a word meaning "fallen ones," how does that inform our understanding? (Consider the other mention in Numbers 13:33)

Vv.5-6 In what sense is it possible for the Lord to regret and to be grieved?

Vv.7-8 What does this tell us about the heart of God?

APPLICATION.

- "When we ignore God-given boundaries, it produces giant problems." How have you personally experienced this concept?
- In what way could your legacy of faith rest on your willingness to live within God's boundaries?
- What are some ways you can "live inside the lines God has drawn" and experience true freedom?
- Fact: What is a key truth that you understood from this passage?
- React: What did you feel?
- Act: What one thing could you do to apply this Scripture?