

I. Introduction to the Sixth Judgment

Today we are going to study our sixth judgment. I told you last week, and hindsight is always 20/20, that we were going to combine the last two together because they go together. There is no question about the fact that they go together, but once I got into this, there is no question that I will not be able to teach them together today just because of the material. I never want to do anything just for the sake of hurrying up and getting it over. Besides, we have to cut this short this morning anyhow because I have already been informed that some people need to go to the Chiefs game. If I preached long, they would go to another church, so I am not going to cause that problem at all.

I have an interesting thing. Up at the fitness center where I work out, there is this old guy, and I love this guy to death. He is always hanging out with this young guy, and this young guy is lost as can be, bitter toward God. The old boy says he is a Christian. He acts like he is a Christian. I do not know. The three of us, we do not work out together, but they work out together, and I see them, of course. The old guy and I always laugh at what the other kid says. His main goal in life is to hang out at Funkytown down here. He is a good old boy. He is just a good lost kid.

This old guy is kind of interested in what we are doing here. He knows I am a pastor, and he asked me last week, when I said this morning about the Chiefs game, a kid brought back to mind. He is always asking me questions. He says, "How long do you preach to your people?" I said, "Well, I preach about an hour and a half sometimes." He says, "What? An hour and a half?" He says, "We had a woman preacher at our church a couple of weeks ago visiting through, and we preached about 20 minutes."

I said, "Well, I do not want to tell you, Don. The bottom line is, if you give them bread and water, they want it to be over quick. If you give them sirloin steak, and mashed potatoes, and gravy, fried chicken, and barbecued beef, they are going to stick around and eat." I said, "Isn't that how it is when you eat? If you go over to somebody's house and they have black-eyed pea soup and a piece of old hard bread, how long does it take to get that down?"

He said, "You go to my house, you walk in there, and I have sirloin steak, fried steak, filleted steak. I have chicken frick-a-kini, and chicken this, and chicken parmigiana, and I have everything out there, and schnitzel beans, and mashed potatoes, and french fries, and salad, and summer salad, and winter salad, and fall salad, and the rainy day salads." I said, "You are going to get out of there for a while," and he said, "I never looked at it that way."

So, normally we have a nine-course meal on Sunday; we are going to cut it down to just five courses today. Just kidding, just kidding. You have to have fun. But there is no way I am going to take these two judgments and put them together. It is too much. You do not learn that way.

II. Recap of Previous Judgments

So far, we have talked about five of these judgments. We talked about how you were judged as a sinner at Calvary's cross, how once you get saved, you are judged as a son. Then at the judgment seat of Christ, you are judged as a servant. Then we looked at Israel's judgment in the tribulation period. Last week, we looked at the unknown doctrine of the judgment of the nations. Today, out of 1 Corinthians 6, at least that is where we are going to start, we are going to talk about the judgment of angels.

Now, if you have your Bibles, turn over to 1 Corinthians 6, and I am going to start reading in verse 1. Follow along here, and we will put this together. Paul, writing to the church at Corinth, here is what he says:

Father, we thank You and praise You for the Lord Jesus. We love You this morning, and we thank You, Father, for all that You do for us and all that You have given us. Lord, I have a lot of material here that I want to get out, and I need an orderly fashion to do it. I need the presence of mind to be able to do it. Lord, I need Your Spirit to order it all out exactly the way that it needs to go. So help me this morning, Father, to lay it out in an orderly fashion, in a timely fashion, that Your people may learn from this great judgment. We will thank You and praise You, as always, in Jesus' name, for His sake we ask it. Amen.

Now, here in verse 2 and 3, it says that the saints are going to judge the world, and then it says that we are going to judge angels. This is what I call in my Bible study an indirect reference. Indirect references are always great keys. Remember last week I told you that the judgment of the nations was a great unknown doctrine today. By the same standard, the judgment of angels is an even lesser-known doctrine. So what God does, if you are paying attention, God tucks these little verses right here that are out of the way, that are not a direct reference to the subject but are a kind of a secondary or a third reference to a subject.

What he is saying here, by the way, in 1 Corinthians 6, you know that the church of Corinth has had all kinds of problems. What they are doing in chapter 6 is that there are issues in the church. Somebody is mad at somebody for something, and what they are doing is instead of bringing it to the church and bringing it to the pastor or the elders to deal with the problem, which is what they should do, no, instead they are getting a lawyer and they are suing one another, and that is the issue. He is saying, "Why are you taking problems within the church to the unsaved people?"

He says, "Here is his point: Don't you know that someday the saints are going to judge the world? And don't you know that as saints, someday you are going to judge angels?" Here is his point: If you are going to judge the world, unsaved dead, and the angels, by the Word of God, which you are, at the last judgment, that is next week, why in the world cannot you take and understand that you ought to be able to take the same book and judge between matters between the two of you that are having a problem? That is what he is saying. That is what he is laying out.

Right in the middle of this, it has nothing to do with the great white throne judgment. Right in the middle of this, it has nothing to do with this great doctrine of the angels being judged by God. You have that one little verse put in there that just throws the monkey wrench into everybody's theology. As you begin to see, as we lay this out, this is one of the most rejected doctrines of all the Bible, the doctrine of the aspect of fallen angels and God judging them and

how the whole thing comes about. We are going to attempt to lay that out this morning so you will have a clear presentation of it.

III. The Confusion in Modern Christianity

As I said last week, and I am going to say it again, it is true: If we lived in the 1800s, Christianity would not be as nearly as confusing as it is. Today, Christianity is about as confusing to God's people as it can hope to get. You are going to find 100,000 different churches that all believe or do not believe different things. Back in the 1800s, there were heresies for sure. There is no question about that. But the baseline of Bible Christianity coming from the Great Awakening down through the early part of America, and the Bible being held up and revered as God's truth.

Do you know why back in the 1800s, the greatest thing that a man had to give was his word? Do you realize back in the 1800s and the 1900s, if you went into a bank to get a loan, you did not have to have any capital or any backing? If you gave the banker, if he knew you, and you were prominent in that city, and you gave him your word that you were going to be good for it, that is what he took. Back then, all a man has, and you see it in the silly westerns sometimes, or you see it in stupid movies sometimes, but back then, really, a man's word was his bond. When a man gave you his word on something, that was fixed. It was fixed.

You have to remember that that concept of man giving his word on something was not just somebody's idea of, "Wow, I am going to give my word." No, no, no. Remember when you used to go to court, and you used to be sworn in, and you would make sure you put your hand on the Bible, and they would say, "Do you swear to tell the truth, the whole truth, and nothing but the truth, so help me God?" They do not do that anymore. They may ask you, but they certainly do not put your hand on the Bible.

The bottom line is this: Back in those days, the reason why a man's word was so important to him was because it was likened up alongside of God's Word, which was absolutely absolute. So a man giving his word in a time period where the Bible was the absolute God's Word meant something. So when a man gave his word, he was saying, "Just as you can trust God's Word, because everybody did back then, I am giving my word with that same assurance."

Today, a man's word means absolutely nothing. Do you know why that is? Because God's Word today means absolutely nothing. When you lose one, you lose the other. That is why there is so much confusion today within the body of Christ. It is a detailed study, and sometime on a Thursday night, if you want to go through and want me to lay out how this neo-evangelical, what a nice term that is, and neo-orthodoxy fits into the destruction, you hear that all today. The two organizations that destroyed Bible Christianity from the beginning of the 20th century up to the time we are in would be the neo-evangelical movement and the neo-orthodox movement, neo-meaning new, and all that garbage that comes along with it. What you see here is Christianity left in a total state of confusion.

I am not the master of the obvious, but let me just tell you the reason why that is. Why does the world of Christianity have to begin to reject Bible teaching, Bible doctrines that a hundred years ago or so were basic Bible 101? You read Clarence Larkin's book, written around the turn of the

century, he lays out the doctrine of fallen angels just like that. You read John Darby's book and his material back in the early 1800s, right on the money. Sir David Gregory, math professor of Oxford in 1700, he laid it out. Bill Wilson in the 1800s, he laid it out. Every major Bible teacher and Bible preacher during that period of time taught what I am teaching you today. How in the world did we get so confused that we do not know what the Bible says today?

I am not as interested in how we got that way as it is more important why we had to get that way. There is a coming kingdom that the Antichrist is going to set up that is found in Revelation 17 and Revelation 18. That kingdom is Babylon, mystery religion, the mother of harlots. That is going to be the last kingdom that is coming into play here in a very short time. The word Babylon comes from the word babble, and Babylon and babble simply mean confusion. That is why the church has to be totally confused now about Bible doctrine and Bible teaching. Remember, the Bible said God is not the author of confusion. So then the confusion in the churches about the Bibles and doctrines is not of God. This whole thing, it is not of God. God, never in the history of God, in the history of what God has done, has God ever presented confusion. God has always had it very clearly black and white. It is the devil who wants to deceive by confusion.

So what you have is in the churches right now, the devil preparing for the Babylon kingdom, which means confusion, by confusing the body of Christ and taking the Word of God out so he can get done in these last days what he needs to get done. That is what you are dealing with. Little Christians are about as shallow and fragile as they can be today. They get caught up in all of the bad teaching. They have no idea where their roots are. They have no idea what they believe or why they believe it. They will get on the Internet today and they will find something, and they will run around the town and all around everywhere, and they will have some new doctrine or something will come up, and they do not believe what they used to believe. If you pinned them down and threw them a Bible and said, "Show me why you believe that and show me who believed this," they could not do it. But that is where we are at. The devil operates in the confusion that exists.

So you are going to find among Bible Christianity a great gray mass of goop that has nothing to do with God, has nothing to do with the Bible, that is presented as Christianity. That is why I want to be so exact with everything that you do when it comes to the Word of God. That is why when I thought about this, I thought to myself, "I have got to take the time to lay this thing out as clearly as it needs to be laid out." I told you, a hundred years ago, this would be standard teaching. But we have got to deal with it now in a way that you will better understand it. I know many of you, and I meet with you all week long. Last week was a great week. I had three or four, five people every day. Then I had my Leviticus class last night. I have another Leviticus class tonight. It has just been Bible, Bible, Bible all week long. I cannot tell you, it has just been a good week all the way around when it comes to the Word of God.

IV. The Order of Spiritual Beings

Now, to better understand, in context, the judgment of the angels, I am going to go back and I am going to take some of the hardest Bible passages in the world that if you look at by yourself or on

your own, you are going to be utterly confused. After today, you will never be confused again. I am going to weave them into a story. I am going to give you the supporting verses, and I am going to lay this thing out for you. I am going to show you how we have and why we have the judgment of the angels.

Angels by themselves are a great study in the Bible. A couple of Thursday nights ago, somebody asked a question. For those of you that cared to come that night, you got what we talked about. But there was a lot more to it, and we did not have the time to get into it that night. God is a structured God. God does everything, and that is why He is not the author of confusion. God is an ordered God. He has an order to what He does. He does not fly by the seat of His pants like we do. He has a structure by which He does. God's discipline level is unbelievable in the Bible. God always operates in a perfect system, in a perfect order, and always provides for us a perfect structure and a perfect pattern.

So in dealing with spiritual beings in your Bible, there is an order to them. We start out with God. The Bible says that God is a spirit, and we worship God, must worship Him in spirit and truth. The Bible says over in Hebrews 12:9 that God is the Father of all spirits. All the other created beings that we are going to talk about this morning, they have bodies and they have spirits, but they have no souls. Man is the only thing that God created that has a body and a soul, and then becomes a spirit in the sense of God's Holy Spirit or man's spirit or the breath of life. The thing that separates you from angels or any spiritual being that we are going to look at today is the fact that they do not have souls.

Angels do not have the ability to love. The Bible tells you that they do not have the ability. The Bible tells you over there in Peter, they look into the Bible, they read the Bible. If you went to heaven today, there would be a lot of chairs up there, and everyone would have a King James Bible in the back of it. They look into those things, and the Bible says they cannot understand redemption. They cannot understand the love God has because angels do not have the ability to love because they do not have a soul. That is your ability to have a relationship with God. That is why when God wanted to make a form of being that could fellowship with Him, that would satisfy Him and love Him, He could not pick the angels. He could not pick the seraphim. He could not pick the cherubim. He had to make another creation made a little lower than the angels, Psalms 8, and it is man. What He gave man is something that He did not give all the other spiritual beings because He made man in a human form. He gave man the ability to love God, to fellowship with God, and to have time with God that they could enjoy fellowship together, so He gave him a soul. Angels do not have souls.

So we have God who is called the Father of Spirit. God is a spirit. God is invisible. Then we have the next coming down the ladder, we have Christ. Christ is the manifestation of God. God is invisible. The Bible says in John 1:18, "No man hath seen God at any time; the only begotten Son, which is in the bosom of the Father, he hath declared him." So the invisible God became visible through the Son Jesus Christ.

Then we have a strange character in the Bible that has to do, you find him in Ezekiel 1, Ezekiel 10, and Revelation 4, and these spiritual beings are called cherubim. Cherubim always have to do

with the altar and the throne of God. So when they made the tabernacle in the Old Testament and they put the Holy of Holies there, they put a cherubim on each side of that Holy of Holies looking down on the mercy seat, because the mercy seat is a picture of God's throne. The cherubim are pictures of the cherubim that their function, and I do not fully understand it, but their function only has to do and is limited to the throne of God. We will talk about them more in just a minute.

Then we have a group called seraphim. There is only one reference in all the Bible on seraphim, and it is found in Isaiah 6. Seraphim are some kind of creature being, and like cherubim, the Bible describes them, but it is hard to put what they look like. Clarence Larkin draws them out, and I guess he is as close as you can get with the thing. Seraphim are some kind of spiritual beings, and where the cherubim have to do with the throne of God, the seraphim have to do with the altar of God. This is where the Bible says that one of them comes and takes a coal off the fire of the altar and gives somebody something to preach, and it is a great picture in there in the book of Isaiah.

Then you have coming down the ladder, then you have a being called an archangel. I do not know what an archangel is. I know that there seems to be only one in the Bible. His name is Michael. You find that in Jude 1:9. In Daniel 10 and Daniel 12, you find that Daniel, as the only archangel listed, has one specific function, and you need to know these things. I do not have all the answers to them, but you need to define them so at least when you put them in your Bible, you know what the order is. Michael the archangel seems to have one task in the Bible, and that one task is he stands up for the nation of Israel, and every time you find him, that is what he is doing.

Then you have what we are going to talk about today, and that is angels. Angels are created spiritual beings, and the Bible says in the book of Hebrews, he compares the angels to Christ, and he says Christ is better than the angels. In Psalms 8:5, it talks about that man was made a little lower than the angels. So we are on the bottom rung. 2 Peter 2:11 says that they have great power, greater than you and I. In Psalms 104:4, it talks about another aspect of angels. My goal this morning is not to define every one of those in detail, but I want to show you that there is an order to it, and God has an order. That order runs God, Christ, cherubim, seraphim, archangel, angels, and then man. Those six represent the spiritual creation. Another thing you are going to find is that all angels, all spiritual beings, cherubim, seraphim, Michael, Gabriel, all have seven letters in their names. So it all follows that pattern.

V. The Fall of Lucifer and Angels

Now to understand this, we have got to go way back to the beginning. We have got to go all the way back to Genesis 1:1, or maybe even a little bit before that. It records a time in your Bible where God's plan begins to unfold. I am reminded of a verse that God gave us last week in Job 24:1 that was a great verse, and maybe some of you just blew it off, but you should have marked it in your Bible. It said this, it was a question:

Job 24:1

Why, seeing times are not hidden from the Almighty, do they that know him not see his days?

That is a great verse. It simply asks this question: If you call yourself a Christian and God's record and His footsteps are down through history, why do you not know where He has been? That is the core of it. That is the translation. That is what He is saying. He is saying if God is down through history and God has a plan, and that plan, you can see His footsteps down through history. If you know Him, if you are saved, why do you not see these things? That is a great question. The answer is confusion. The answer is we live in a time where nobody believes the Bible is the Word of God anymore. Once you go there, you never return, and then you descend the staircase into that nice, gray, mushy blob of goop that we call Christianity today that knows nothing, sees nothing, understands nothing, and believes nothing. That is where we do not want to be.

Back here in the Bible, we start to put these things together. God begins to show us a glimpse of how this thing got going. You go back to Job 38. There is no question about it. In Job 38, the first four or five, really the whole chapter, you are dealing with a time period that goes back at Genesis 1:1 or before. The book of Job is the oldest book in your Bible. The book of Job is written probably four or five hundred years before Moses penned the words of the first five books of the Bible. Although we think Genesis is the book of creation in the beginning, and it is to a degree, if you want the most scientific book in the Bible, if you want the book in the Bible that tells you the foundations of what God did in Genesis 1:1, it is the book of Job. No question about it. It is the book of Job.

So we see there in Job 38, the Bible talking about the day of creation, and we see God doing all these great stupendous things of creation. The Bible says that the morning stars are singing together, and all the sons of God are shouting for joy. Those morning stars and sons of God are angels, and they are shouting and singing and praising God while God is creating everything in Genesis 1:1, "In the beginning God created the heaven and the earth." That, my friend, is an understatement. God is slinging out galaxies and planets and drop-kicking nebulas through the goalposts of eternity, and the Holy Choir is singing, "Oh, hail the power of Jesus' name," and the sons of God are hooping and hollering and shouting, because God is supreme, and this is all recorded for you as far as God's supremacy in the book of Isaiah. He is laying this whole thing out.

God establishes some kind of kingdom. There is no man yet. From what we know from the Bible in Ezekiel 28 and Isaiah 14, there is no devil yet. I told you about cherubim, and I told you how the cherubim always cover the throne. When you compare Ezekiel 1 with Ezekiel 10, with Revelation 4, you find that there were five cherubim. There was the throne of God, and there was one cherubim on each corner of that throne, and then there was a cherub that was over that throne that the Bible calls in Ezekiel 28:16 and Ezekiel 28:14, the anointed cherub, or covering cherub, or the anointed cherub that covereth. That covering cherub's name is Lucifer. Lucifer in time, which we will see, becomes the devil.

I am telling you this story to bring you through to show you. I just do not want to get up and say, "Angels, go to hell over here, see you tomorrow, go to the football game." I want to show you

exactly how this thing unfolds, so you better understand it. If you have a problem with it, we will deal with some of the aspects. I can go into great detail on Thursday night. It is up to you, or you can come over. I do not care.

We find that Lucifer was under God's control, and he was over the throne of God, and seemingly everything that God created. Lucifer in Isaiah 14 falls. Why did he fall? The Bible says that because of pride that was in his heart, because he wanted to be jealous of God, and he wanted to be better than God. He says in his heart, "I will lift my throne," he had a throne, "above the stars of God," angels, "and I will sit where God sits, and I will be God."

The first sin in the Bible was not Adam and Eve with an apple. The first sin in the Bible goes long before Adam and Eve, and it was not an apple. Pomegranate, but that is another study. The first sin in the Bible has to do with pride in somebody's heart that they want to say, "I want to be like God." So do you know what the number one problem with men and women today is? Pride. Do you know what will send a man and woman to hell faster than anything else, and more bushel basket barrels and truckloads full than any other sin in the world? Pride! Do you know what keeps you from getting right with God when you know you need to get right? Pride! Pride has always been the problem. It has always been the problem.

So the Bible says in Isaiah 14:12:

Isaiah 14:12

How art thou fallen from heaven, O Lucifer, son of the morning! how art thou cut down to the ground, which didst weaken the nations!

From this time on, notice Lucifer has seven letters in his name. From this time on, he is not called Lucifer. He is called the devil, five letters, five being the number of death in the Bible. He is called Satan, five letters, number of death in the Bible. He is called the great red dragon. He is called the serpent. He is called that wicked one. He falls, and he loses that prestige of being son of the morning.

I just cannot pass this up. I have got to tell you this. This is why I am against all the new Bibles. If you have an NIV and you come to Isaiah, and this is just one case, but we talked about this Thursday night, too. If you come to Isaiah 14:12 in your NIV, my King James Bible says, "How art thou fallen from heaven, O Lucifer, son of the morning!" If you come to your NIV, you will find it says, "How art thou fallen from heaven, O bright and morning star!"

The devil, what he wanted was to be God. He tried to overthrow God, so he could be God. When he comes back into tribulation, he has the Jews build the temple, and then he sits down in the throne in Jerusalem, and everybody has to worship him as God. He has a God complex, and he wants to be God. So when the NIV came out, the NIV translators took the term, "bright and morning star," which is a reference to Jesus Christ in Revelation 2 and Malachi 4, and put it right smack dab in Isaiah 14:12, and wound up calling the devil the bright and morning star instead of Christ. That is what the devil wanted. The NIV translators and the NIV Bible just blind Satan by making him God when he was not. That is why I will not mess with that godless piece of trash. If that makes you mad, then stick around. You will get madder before I am done.

Out of this thing in Isaiah 14, Ezekiel 28, and all these places, we see the great rebellion. We see that this is what comes up with the destruction that is commonly called today, the gap theory, which we will not get into. We have talked about it many, many times. In the 1800s, it was called the gap fact. But that is what you need to hear. We find that Lucifer falls and begins to operate against God. The Bible says in Revelation 12:1-9, and it says in other places through the Bible, that when Satan gets cast out of heaven, here is the point. I said everything I have said up to this point to say this: When he gets cast out of heaven back there and he leaves in a revolt, he takes one third, one third, of the angels with him. That is where we really begin our study. Everything up to this was just basically filler material, introduction, and bringing you up to speed. When he gets kicked out of heaven back there and he leaves in a revolt, he takes one third of the angels with him. Those angels become his cohorts. The Bible calls them devils. We in the world call them demons, and demon is not a biblical word. But we look at them as the fallen sons of God or the fallen angels. Now they become part of Satan's plan to stop God and the plan of God and to stop you.

I need to stop here and just clear off a little spot for a minute and answer something for you that must be going through your heart right now if you are a young Christian or you really do not have the Bible down. Everything I have said so far kind of just looks like what we do on planet Earth. We get the idea that God created it all and He is up there sitting on the throne looking at the old thing, God's big old grandfather, white beard, swaying his kingdom. About that time, one of the angels comes running in, "You are not going to believe what happened, Father? Lucifer. He just overthrew a revolt." And God says, "Oh my God, what am I going to do? What am I going to do? What is he saying about me? Well, he is saying he is as good as you are. He is not. He is saying he is going to overthrow you. He has got one third of the angels on his side." Can you not see it? Like the Roman emperor Nero walking around in his palace when the people were revolting. "Oh, woe is me. Oh, I made, created everything. Oh, I made all this stuff. But Lucifer, I gave him everything. Oh, how could he betray me like that? No, what am I going to do?" And he called all the angels together and said, "Boys, help me out. What am I going to do?" No. No, not at all.

The Bible says in Proverbs 16:4:

Proverbs 16:4

The LORD hath made all things for himself: yea, even the wicked for the day of evil.

Do you know what that verse says? That verse says that God is such an ordered and structured God that when He set up that thing in Genesis 1, He knew exactly how it was going to go. Because the other underlying theme of the whole Bible is from Genesis to Revelation, everything that God created, all of those spiritual creations, all of those spiritual creations have the choice to do what is right or do what is wrong, including man. The lowest common form of denominator about your Bible from Genesis to Revelation is God gives everything He created a chance to either do what is right or do what is wrong. You said, "Well, Christ did not." You are wrong. Did you not ever study the Garden of Gethsemane where He was tempted not to go to the cross? He had His hour just like you had your hour. Do you not know the Bible says that Christ was

tempted on all points like we are yet without sin? He had to make His choice too. So God put Himself in the mix.

God says, "You know what, boys? It does not matter to Me at all. Let him go. Let it rip. Watch this." It went into a galactic Star Wars 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 with Alien 4, 5, 6, and Predator 6, 7, and 8 coming in right behind it. I would like to take right now, and I do not have time to do this, but I would like to take right now if I had time and walk you through the Bible and show you the secret of atomic structure and nuclear fission and how it relates to God. You would walk out of here with your mouth hanging open, and you would trip over your lower lip. But I do not have time today because it is not where we are at.

But you want to see this thing in its pristine form, and you want to see Romans 1:19-20, "the visible things of him being understood by the things that were made." Do you understand why, Adams? You want to understand why when God put everything in the universe and put it into an order, He called it an atom, and when God took man and put him on earth and put him forward, He called him Adam. I do not have time today. And why in 1945 when Dr. Robert Oppenheimer came up with the concept of splitting the atom, which has three parts, one negative, one positive, and one neutral, he called it the Trinity Project. Yes, he did. The more you learn that Bible, the more you understand that everything in this world is framed by that book and kept in existence by that book. You look at that thing, and you will understand why they want to build nuclear plants. You will understand why North Korea wants to get an atom bomb. You will understand why we got it. You will understand why we want to hold on to it. You will understand why it has two functions, and it all comes back to God, the great nuclear reactor in the sky. I know some of you think I am nuts right now, especially if you are busy here, I am not really nuts. So I am not even going to go there.

VI. The Sin of Fallen Angels and the Giants

These fallen angels, you do not know how they got where they got. These fallen angels are all through your Bible. They are denied by every Bible college, by every pastor in this city, and by every Bible teacher that writes. That is okay, now we know we are in good standing. I brought you up to a point, and now we are going to begin to walk this thing through, and I am going to bring you to the place where you and I are going to judge angels.

These angels fall into two categories. You have a group of them who we are going to look at in a moment. I am going to tell you first, and then we are going to go through the Scriptures and lay it out. You will find a group of them who leave their angelic spiritual state. They come down in Genesis 6. They took on the body of some kind of human being. They are angelic. In Genesis 6, in the time of Noah, it says simply this: The sons of God came unto the daughters of men, and they produced a race of giants.

Up to 1800, 1900, there was no question about that. The mixture of angelic seed to human seed produced a race of giants. Not good if you are studying the Bible, great if you are putting together a basketball team or a Super Bowl team. But these angelic beings, who are stronger than humans, mixing their seed with human seed, produced a monstrosity of giants. The scientific

world just cannot handle that. They just cannot handle that. God's people cannot handle it. I will buy you a free lunch if you can find me 10 pastors in this city that believe that Genesis 6 were fallen angels. They do not. You cannot go anywhere. You will be laughed at. You will be made fun of.

What they have come to now is they say that the sons of God, and here again, over there in Deuteronomy 2:20, God stuck one of those indirect verses and just cuts their throat and puts those giants in Genesis 6 right back with the sons of God and the angels. But who knows where Deuteronomy 2:20 is? "Do not confuse me with the facts of the Bible."

So now what we have got in Genesis 6, and here is the explanation. I have heard this all my life. First of all, you do not understand that the Bible defines the term Son of God as an angel. There are no men and women in the Old Testament that would be called the sons of God. You are called a son of God because you were born in God's family. Nobody in the Old Testament is born of God. So the only sons of God in the Old Testament are angels, Job 38.

So here is how they get around it. I will never forget one time I was sitting in a situation, and I was in a little talk with about 30, 40 people around, and somebody brought a little Bible study, and somebody asked me this question, and then somebody else tacked me on it. He said, "Nobody believes that the sons of God were fallen angels." He says, "What you have back there is you have the godly line of Seth marrying unsaved people." I said, "What do you have back there now?" I never, I have to get this. "The what? The godly line?" He looks at me like he is going to tell me something. I love it when they look at me like they are going to tell me something I do not know about the Bible. I love it. He said, "The godly line of Seth." I said, "Hold it right there. I will trace out for you in this Bible the Messianic line from His kingship, from His human line. I will run you the line of every king. I will run you the line of Seth. I will run you the line of Abel. I will run you the line of Cain. I will run you the line of Japheth. I will give you what? I will give you five thousand dollars. No, ten thousand dollars. Run for me the godly line of Seth." It is not in there. He came to a great illusion, it was not in there.

Then he says to me, "Well, it is nothing more than saved people marrying unsaved people." I said, "So we have saved people before the Holy Spirit comes to save people?" I said, "Forget all that. If you have saved people back there, why does the Bible say in Genesis 6 that only Noah found grace in the sight of the Lord? If you have all these saved people marrying unsaved people, how come when the ark door opened only eight people got on it?" Nothing like a Bible to fix a guy's theological degree. But you see, they do not think that far because every one of them have one thing in common: They do not believe this book is worth anything in teaching you doctrine. They just go with the latest and the hottest and the best of some idiot out there is putting out so he can make money writing books for stupid people who cannot read their Bible. All you have to have is a half a brain. No, you do not even need a half a brain. And know a little bit of Bible, and the whole thing is just stupid. Those sons of God were the angels coming down. I am going to show them to you in great detail.

Then we got over in Joshua. This would be Joshua when they go over. I love this. When they go over, Joshua sends the spies over. Do you know what Joshua says when he comes to the group

when they come back over there in Numbers 13? Here is what they say. They come back for a little recon. They got their faces all blacked up. They got the camouflage on. They did not wear their helmets or their canteens because they did not want to rattle in the bushes. They all got their Uzis with their silencers on them, Israeli. They are all sneaking down through there, and they peek over those parapets down there. They see some guys about 40 feet tall. They come back. The Bible does say in Genesis 6, "there were giants in those days and also after that." You have to read that part too.

So they came back over there to Joshua. Do you know what they said? "Joshua. There is a whole bunch of unsaved people over there, fooling around with other saved people." Do you know what they say? They say, "Hey, Josh, I got some news for you. We are going to need a lot more people. We are like grasshoppers." That is the word. Grasshoppers. That is where it comes from. Little grasshopper. They are like grasshoppers. Those guys are 20 feet tall. You go over there a little bit later on. They got spears like weavers' beams. That is about that big around. Guy has a shield, 600 shekels. That is 230 pounds. I am telling you, they were giants. They were giants.

Then you get over there in 1 Samuel 17. There is a great story. David and Goliath. The giant of Gath, Goliath. There is a great story. These giants perpetrate all the way down through from there, right up from the Old Testament, right up through the middle of the Old Testament, right up to the NBA. I mean, right up to the times that we live in. He is down there, and David goes out, and this guy, Goliath, is about 14 feet, 6 inches tall. He is big. Steve, how high are these walls? Standard. 12 foot. He is 2 foot higher than that wall. He is not a little stick guy. He is big. His legs are big. Imagine. And David is a little guy. He is not. I am sure David went up and said, "You are unsaved. You need to get saved. If you get saved, you will shrink." Do you know what David did? David wiped out the last of the giants.

Do you know why the devil put the giants down in Genesis 6, and why they go all the way through the Old Testament, and why they all get wiped out after David? Because God, the devil, wanted to do the same thing that Adolf Hitler wanted to do. In fact, Adolf Hitler got it from him. He wanted to create a master race by which he could rule the world that was bigger, stronger, and tougher, and anybody else by which he could rule planet Earth, so he could get back to what he had in Genesis 1. And God says, "Watch this." Great principle. It is the little things that confound the wise. Fourteen foot man, probably 1,200 pounds. Little David. Fifteen, sixteen years old? Little legs like little chicken legs. Out there watching the sheep. Saw the biggest guy in the kingdom, should have fought him. He is scared of death hiding in the corner. What did David do? David says, "I will fight him."

He goes down to that thing. I love this part. He goes down there, and he picks up five smooth stones. He has a slingshot. The Bible says he picks up five smooth stones. Oh, have I heard great exhortation on this. One guy said one time, he took up five smooth stones because he did not have enough faith to believe God could kill him at one time, and that was David's downfall. Another guy said, "Well, David took that because he was not that good a slingshot thrower, and in case he missed, he had five times, because a guy that big could cover the distance to you a lot faster, and David could not run that fast." They just do not read their Bible. That is why I am called a Bible believer.

2 Samuel 21 and 1 Chronicles 20 say that Goliath had four brothers. David says, "Well, if I am taking out one, maybe I am going to make it a family affair, and I will take down all five." The other four chickened out. They got killed later. The Bible records it in those two passages. I have got to give you this. Remember those two passages I gave you? It talks about the four giants, and in one passage it says that they were Goliath's brothers. Another passage says they were Goliath's sons. So the new evangelicals, they just say it all day, they take out the word brother, destroy the cross-reference, and everybody said after a mistranslation, "No, no, no, no, no, no, no." This group of people, and if you study the history, he had sex with his own mother and produced four sons that were his brothers. From which this group of people like to use a phrase that has to do with sex with your mother more than any other word that they like to use. Because it comes right back to the Bible, and you cannot get away from it. They were not unsaved and saved. They were giants, and the giants came from... What am I talking about? I will show you. I am not done yet. I am not even getting ahead of myself. If that was not enough, Matthew 24:37 says they are coming back again in the tribulation period. "As it was in the days of Noah, so shall it be in the coming of the Son of Man."

VII. Scriptural Proof of Fallen Angels

Alright, now, let me show you these sons of God. We are getting there, we are getting there. We are almost done. Get another hour and a go. 2 Peter 2. Now watch this. I have never understood why somebody that could read Genesis 6 could not read this. I have men and women in here that you have been studying the Bible for less than a month. I have some that have been doing it six months. I have some that have been doing it a year. I would doubt to say that there is not a person in here that has not spent at least two months with us that cannot see what I am about to give you. Why in the world cannot somebody see it as clearly as it is? I am left in a... but anyway, here we come. 2 Peter 2:1-8. Everybody say that with me. 1, 2, 3. Here it comes. Okay, I feel better about it.

2 Peter 2:4-6

For if God spared not the angels that sinned, but cast them down to hell, and delivered them into chains of darkness, to be reserved unto judgment; 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; And turning the cities of Sodom and Gomorrha into ashes condemned them with an overthrow, making them an ensample unto those that after should live ungodly;

You know where those sons of God came from? The flood. Look at verse 6.

Now, come over to Jude. One little chapter right before the book of Revelation. I am going to show it to you again, but I want to show you how you use the Bible to compare Scripture with Scripture to get the answer to any given situation. This is so easy. I do not know why they cannot see it. Jude 1, because there is only one chapter, pick it up in verse 5.

Jude 1:5-8

I will therefore put you in remembrance, though ye once knew this, how that the Lord, having saved the people out of the land of Egypt, afterward destroyed them that believed not. And the angels which kept not their first estate, but left their own habitation, he hath reserved in everlasting chains under darkness unto the judgment of the great day. Even as Sodom and Gomorrha, and the cities about them in like manner, giving themselves over to fornication, and going after strange flesh, are set forth for an example, suffering the vengeance of eternal fire.

Look at verse 7. It is the same crowd. Now, I want you to see how the Bible... go back to... flip back and forth. Come back to 2 Peter 2. Now, watch this. Now, we are going to go back chapter to chapter. You are going to have to keep your finger in both places.

2 Peter 2:4

For if God spared not the angels that sinned,

Alright, I am reading my Bible, and I am going to scratch my head. I wonder how they sinned. Come over to Jude 1:6.

Jude 1:6

And the angels which kept not their first estate, but left their own habitation, he hath reserved in everlasting chains under darkness unto the judgment of the great day.

Do you know what their sin was? They did not keep their first estate. What does that mean? They did not stay angels. They came down being humans. Shall the Bible lay that out? Now, watch this. Go back to 2 Peter 2 again.

2 Peter 2:4

But cast them down to hell, and delivered them into chains of darkness, to be reserved unto judgment;

Now, flip back to Jude 1 and pick it up again in verse 6.

Jude 1:6-7

And the angels which kept not their first estate, but left their own habitation, he hath reserved in everlasting chains under darkness unto the judgment of the great day. Even as Sodom and Gomorrha, and the cities about them in like manner, giving themselves over to fornication, and going after strange flesh, are set forth for an example, suffering the vengeance of eternal fire.

Then the judgment reserved over there in 2 Peter 2 is the judgment of the great day, the great white throne, just as it shall fit. Now, in both cases, look at verse 6 over there in 2 Peter, and look at verse 7 over there in Jude. Both cases reference to Sodom and Gomorrah. What was going on in Sodom and Gomorrah? Homosexuality, lesbianism. Do you know what that tells you? After you go to Romans 1, the sin of Sodom and Gomorrah is connected to the sin of Genesis 6. What did they do in Genesis 6? Let us look at it. Jude 1:5-8 again. Pick it up in verse 6.

Jude 1:6-7

And the angels which kept not their first estate, but left their own habitation, he hath reserved in everlasting chains under darkness unto the judgment of the great day. Even as Sodom and Gomorrha, and the cities about them in like manner, giving themselves over to fornication, and going after strange flesh, are set forth for an example, suffering the vengeance of eternal fire.

Now in Sodom and Gomorrah's time, the strange flesh was men going after men and women going after women. In Genesis 6, it was angels, sons of God, going after the daughters of men. That is what produced the race of giants. No question about it, no question to it.

Angels fall into two categories. The first category are the ones that left their first estate. They all did not do that. Somebody says, "How many?" I do not know. Obviously not a whole lot, or the earth would have been overtaken. But some of them left the first estate, and the Bible says right now, they are in darkness, reserved under chains, someplace in the bottomless pit, waiting for that judgment to come. All the rest of the angels that did not come down, they are still doing business as usual. If you want to study them, you will find them in what they are doing right now. You want Daniel 10:12-21, Ephesians 6:12, and then 2 Kings 6:8, Psalms 6-8:17, 2 Samuel 5:24, Matthew 8:28, Luke 8:35, 1 John 4:1-6. That is where the ones left are still doing their work as the cohorts to help Satan to the kingdom of confusion.

This passage totally shows you that the sons of God, the fallen angels that left their first estate and became men in the flesh, they went after strange flesh. They did not just go after human flesh, they went after animal flesh. You will find this out in Romans 1. That is why, and nobody understands it today or nobody wants to accept it today, but you are going to find in Romans 1 what I call the sin ladder. The sin ladder goes down, it does not go up. The sin ladder is divided, it is about a 12-foot ladder, it is divided into two 6-foot sections. The first 6-foot section on the top is natural sins, sins of the flesh. That would be adultery, fornication, murder, lying, covetousness, all the fun things we love and do so well together. The second part of that ladder are unnatural sins. They have to do with unnatural sins that God never intended for man to get into, but man got introduced to them in Genesis 6, and they are satanically induced. That would be lesbianism, homosexuality, and the ladder comes down and it is laid out for you through the Bible all the way down to sex with animals, sex with children, and then finally sex with dead people. That was laid out for you in the Old Testament, it is as clear as I am standing up here looking as good as I do to you this morning.

VIII. The Judgment of Angels and Its Application

We still have plenty that did not come down. When the great white throne takes place in Revelation 20, and that is our study next week in the Last Judgment, we will tie it all together. When the great white throne judgment comes down in Revelation 20, God is going to judge those angels, and this is where we have to go back to 1 Corinthians 6 where we started and how you and I fit into all this and what Paul's point was making.

Paul was telling the church at Corinth simply this: "Look guys, you are a church, you have the Holy Spirit of God living inside you, you have the Word of God, you have men in this church that are supposed to be spiritual men. You have somebody that is feuding with somebody in the

church, why in the world are they going outside and getting an unsaved lawyer and going to an unsaved court to figure out this dispute over what they are fighting over? Don't you boys know that someday you are going to judge the world?" Then the little indirect reference, "Don't you know someday you are going to judge angels?"

Here is what he is saying: The same book that God is going to judge the angels and the unsaved dead by, you have in your hands right now. Is there not anybody among you that can discern that book and judge between that little matter between you now, knowing that someday you are going to stand there with Christ and judge the unsaved dead and the angels that sinned and left with Satan? That is his point.

Here is how it works. When Christ returns, we know from Romans 8 and many other places that we get a body just like Christ. We become God's son in every sense of the fashion. Right now you have Him living inside you, but you have still got your old flesh. Then you get a glorified body that goes with a glorified. This is Romans 8:15-16. The Bible says when we study it next week, we are going to lay it out in great graphic detail. We have an unsaved friend next week, next week will kill them and cure them. But I am going to show you why, in my case anyhow, why we do not need a big screen to illustrate my messages next week. By the grace of God, by the Holy Spirit of God, I am going to paint a picture of hell and a great white throne judgment so absolutely that you all have heart attacks on your way home. But that is what the book does. The problem with preachers today is they have lost their vision for this book, so they do not have anything to preach, so they need some slide presentation to motivate you with silly little pictures about silly little things when God gave you the greatest picture book the world has ever seen that, as old Bob Jones used to say, "This thing will either, you need to get your health scared or health scorched."

In that day, Christ and us, you and I, will judge not only the unsaved dead next week, but also the angels that fall in both of those categories. We will judge with Christ the angels that left their first estate that right now are reserved under chains while the other ones are having at it. But in that day, the sea shall give up the dead which are in them. All the angelic beings come up. All the spiritual beings come up. Satan, Lucifer among them. We with Christ will judge them, and they will be cast eternally in the lake of fire.

A favorite expression you hear today by all these idiots you hear all the time is, "Judge not, lest ye be judged. Don't judge me. Don't judge me. Don't judge me." To which I always reply, 1 Corinthians 2:15, "Why? He that is spiritual judgeth all things." Right now in a church, God gave you a book because every day of your life you have got to make judgment calls. You are never to judge people, but you are to judge the things that people do as it relates to your relationship with Christ. That is why the Bible says, "He that is spiritual judgeth all things." That is why God gave you a book. They could not figure it out in the church at Corinth. They did not understand it as Christians. They had a book that they could judge all things. So there was no need for any fuss going on between anybody in the church. They had a book that showed you how to fix it. But when they were not going to the book, they had to take their matters to a civil court that was not run by God, had nothing to do with the Word of God, and nothing to do with the Holy Spirit. That is why you as a Christian need to rely on the biblical principles that you found in this book.

That is the importance of, I said, over and over and over again, the importance of biblical principles.

Now you have it up to where it is at. We have now broken it down very easily, very basically. I just covered in an hour or so, 10, 15 minutes, what it took me 15 years to figure out. But you see it now in its entirety. I just let you run. You are in the race to learn truth. I just let you cross the field and get ahead of the class. I saved you at least 13, 10 years of your life trying to figure it out. Now all you have to do is go home, put the rest of it together. But you have to see it. At least you have to understand it. You have to understand why this thing is. You have to understand how it came into being. You have to understand the opposition and the criticism to it today. Then you have got to understand what you have got to stand on in the Word of God, and you know where this thing goes. That is what Paul means when he says, "Ye shall judge angels." That is our sixth judgment, the judgment of angels. Next week, it will be the great white throne judgment where everything winds up. We will preach that next week. Every head bowed and every eye closed.