

THE LIFE AND WORK THAT CHANGED THE AGE

Message Two

The Third Fall of Man

Scripture Reading: Gen. 6:1-13; Jude 6-7; Eph. 2:2; 6:12; Matt. 24:37-39;
Matt. 19:4-6; Luke 17:26-27

I. The cause of the third fall of man—Gen. 6:1-4:

- A. The illegal marriage of the fallen angels with mankind—6:2-4:
 - 1. The sons of God being the fallen angels—v. 2.
 - 2. The fallen angels committing fornication with the strange persons—6:2, 4:
 - a. Not keeping their principality—Jude 6-7; Eph. 2:2; 6:12; 2 Pet. 2:4.
 - b. Leaving the air and coming to the earth.
 - c. Participating in an evil and illegal marriage with mankind.
 - 3. Causing a mixture of the human race with the fallen spirits and producing Nephilim—6:2-4:
 - a. Nephilim means “the fallen ones.”
 - b. They were men of great stature.
 - c. This mixture was the result of fornication and is a serious matter.
- B. Man became flesh—the totality of the fallen man—6:3.

II. The process of the third fall of man:

- A. Mankind mingled with the evil spirits being flesh—6:3.
- B. Man living in the lusts of his flesh—6:12:
 - 1. Every imagination of the thoughts of his heart was only evil continually—6:5.
 - 2. All flesh had corrupted its way upon the earth—6:12.
- C. The earth being filled with violence—6:11, 13.

III. The issue of the third fall of man:

- A. The withdrawing of the Holy Spirit—signifying God's forsaking—6:3:
 - 1. The work of God's gracious Holy Spirit being withdrawn.
 - 2. The Spirit striving against rebellious man.
- B. The coming flood to destroy mankind on the earth—6:7, 13.

IV. The condition that existed at Noah's time is a prefigure of the present age—Matt. 24:37-39; Luke 17:26-27.