The Dispensation of Conscience

The antediluvian righteous verses unrighteous

- **I.** The unpolluted genealogy of Noah (Gen. 6:8-9).
 - 1. Noah's favor with God.
 - 1) His bloodline was pure.
 - 2) In terms of reproduction, Noah acted righteously.
 - 3) When he walked with God, Noah received revelation, about His promise of judgment (Gen. 6:9; Heb. 11:7).
 - 4) All the rest of mankind was polluted genetically (Gen. 6:11-12).
 - 5) Even the majority of the animal kingdom was polluted (Gen. 7:31-23).
 - 2. Noah had faith in God's promise of judgment Heb. 11:7).
 - 1) His faith made the promise of judgment real.
 - 2) His <u>hope</u> was that he and his family would be saved physically through the flood.
- II. God's reason for promising judgment and then executing it.
 - 1. Universal judgment is rare: four recorded times.
 - 2. God's righteousness demands all unrighteousness punished (Rom. 1:18-20).
 - 3. God warns mankind.
 - 1) Enoch prophesied of impending judgment (Jud.14-15).
 - 2) Noah heralded, for a generation, that mankind was to keep themselves pure genetically (Gen. 6:3; 2 Pet. 2:5).
 - 3) The majority of mankind continued disobedience (1 Pet. 3:20).
 - 4) Man continued "normal" everyday life (Mt. 24:37-39).
- **III.** Satan' reason for polluting the human genetic pool.
 - 1. Satan knew his future demise would come from a human (Gen. 3:15).
 - 2. The woman's "seed" is later revealed as Christ through the Church (Rom. 16:20).
 - 3. Christ will deliver the Coup de Grâce (1 Cor. 15:27).
 - 4. The enmity between the woman and her offspring begins the process of Satan using mankind to thwart God's plan.
 - 5. Satan would have a part in Jesus's death (1 Cor. 2:8).