Dangerous Situation Arising: Part 1

Preface

Whether or not we will achieve our destiny; a blessed life in the Land, will depend on how prepared we are for HaSatan's onslaught that is coming and our preparedness will depend on how knowledgeable we are. Mashiach warned against an end time deception and only knowledge can prevent deception, thus it is critically incumbent upon us to know the A-Z of what is coming. Whilst Scripture is wanting insofar as this issue is concerned, the apocryphal books of Enoch and Jubilees are very informative, indeed they are essential. Unfortunately there are some who reject these books simply because they are not part of the Cannon of Scripture. We should remember the Cannon of Scripture was selected by man and governed, to some extent, by agenda. I don't believe that the Cannon of Scripture was by divine inspiration, indeed the history behind the Canon we have today is testimony against its divinity. Thus denying apocryphal literature purely on the basis of its exclusion from the Cannon is just 'throwing the baby out with the bath water.' A plain truth is, many parallels can be drawn between the content of Scripture and apocryphal literature, particularly so with the books of Enoch, Jubilees and Yasher, indeed Isaiah, Daniel, Jude all quote from the Book of Enoch and Mashiach referred to the book of Enoch as Scripture. Whilst this may be insufficient to justify all that is contained within these books it has to provide some level of credibility? Furthermore, several different manuscripts of the book of Enoch were discovered amongst the Dead Sea Scrolls as was the book of Jubilees, clearly the Qumran community; Zadokites of whom YHWH says, "They never erred" considered these books to be of some importance. This article contains quotations from the Scripture, early church fathers and Jewish literature in substantiation of that which is abstracted from Enoch and Jubilees, a further accreditation of these books. Whilst I do agree that these books should be used cautiously, their ability to amplify the Scriptures is not to be ignored. When the apostle said all Scripture is breathed by Elohim and profitable for learning what was he referring to? There was no Cannon at this time.

Introduction

When Mashiach's disciples asked what would be the sign of the end of this age; the end of the sixth day, He warned of wars, famine, pestilence and other natural disasters. In a separate article² it was explained how the return of Mashiach will be precipitated by a tribulation created by man and which will be brought to a premature end by Mashiach executing YHWH's wrath on creation. Of the tribulation, Mashiach says it will be like nothing humanity has previously experienced or is likely to experience again (Matt.24:21): was Mashiach forgetting the flood? Was He forgetting the intensity YHWH's wrath will have upon the earth? It is hard to conceive a tribulation of greater severity than either of these events. So what is Mashiach saying in Matthew? What is it that will make the tribulation so unique? Mashiach also warned that the end of this age "Will be as in the Days of Noach," so what was so specific about the time leading up to the flood? After all there had always been wars, famines and earthquakes, I believe Mashiach was exclusively referring to the corruption that was borne of the spiritual transgression described in Genesis,

And it came to be, when men began to increase on the face of the earth, and daughters were born to them, that the sons of Elohim saw the daughters of men, that they were good. And they took wives for themselves of all whom they chose. And YHWH said, "My Spirit shall not strive with man forever in his going astray. He is flesh, and his days shall be one hundred and twenty years." The Nephilim were on the earth in those days, and also afterward, when the sons of Elohim came in to the daughters of men and they bore children to them. Those were the mighty men who were of old, the men of name. And YHWH saw that the wickedness of man was great in the earth, and that every inclination of the thoughts of his heart was only evil continually. (Gen.6:1-5).

The transgression of these messengers was a salient event in the time of Noach and its effect on creation was singularly devastating. Was it this event and the consequences that flowed from it that Mashiach was directly referring to? The evidence contained in this article will prove this to be the case and we need to start with the pre-

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¹ Refer to the separate article 'The Exclusivity of the Canon of Scripture.'

² Tribulation, wrath and After

flood period and immediately after.

Before the Deluge - The Origin of Corruption

To create a picture of developments leading up to the flood we need to start at the very beginning with the creation of Adam but before we do so it will help in our understanding if we categorize the heavenly messengers/angels as follows,

- Those of YHWH, residing with Him in His heaven the 2/3 of the heavenly host that remained righteous,
- The messengers who were appointed by YHWH to watch over humanity and teach righteousness. Referred to as 'The Watchers' by Enoch
- Thirdly there are the messengers who joined with Lucifer, the 1/3 that were cast out of heaven with him. These with other devils are present today: they are the powers and principalities that the apostle refers to in Eph. 6:12 and described in Revelation chapter 12. They are resident in the lowest heaven somewhere in the atmosphere as depicted in Dan.10:12-13.

This article is mainly concerned with the second category of messengers: the Watchers and how some of them transgressed, corrupted creation and the eschatological effect of this corruption.

We are all aware how life is divided into at least two spheres of influence: righteousness and unrighteousness, good and evil. But I believe at the start Adam was not even aware of evil and that he was created pure: he was not of the seed of man but born of the breath of Elohim and we are told Elohim saw everything that he had made, and, behold, it was very good (Gen.1:31). So we have to ask what effect did eating the forbidden fruit have on Adam? We know HaSatan told Eve that if she ate from the tree 'her eyes would be opened' but what did that mean? Whilst it changed her perspective and thinking as also Adam's, fundamentally they had now opened the door to evil and become susceptible to HaSatan's power and influence. But this susceptibility would not be limited to them alone. This first act of disobedience caused a fundamental change in man's character: polluting the very substance of man, causing him to lose his original purity. Man now had the ability to perceive right and wrong but he had to learn right from wrong, he now needed to be guided in righteousness. To resolve this situation YHWH appointed messengers to supervise humanity,

....the messengers of YHWH descended upon the earth, those who are named the Watchers that they should instruct the children of men, and that they (the children of men) should do judgment and uprightness on the earth. (Jub.4:15).

These messengers are referred to as 'Watchers' and some of them, finding the earthly women desirable transgressed their role, leaving their heavenly habitat for a terrestrial habitat, transformed into human form and cohabited with earthly women,³

It happened after the sons of men had multiplied in those days that daughters were born to them, elegant and beautiful. And when the Watchers, the sons of heaven beheld them, they became enamoured of them, saying to each other, come let us select for ourselves women from the progeny of men and let us beget children. (En.7:1-2).

Whilst the modern Church teaches against this event the early church believed that angels did take the form of men and cohabited with women, the following is a quote from 'Wilmington's Guide To the Bible' *This was the interpretation of the early church: it was not until the fourth century that another view opposed to the angels of God theory was offered. Dr. James M Grey (A former member of the Moody Bible Institute) wrote There is no reason to believe this would not have changed had it not been for certain erroneous opinions and practices of Christendom. The Catholic Church's Origen - known as "the father of theology" - affirmed both the Book of Enoch and the fact that angels could and did cohabitate with the daughters of men. He even warned against possible angelic and/or Nephilim infiltration of the church itself. Oddly, while thousands of his writings are still considered by them as "sacred," this very issue got him labelled as a heretic when the faulty Sons of Seth "doctrine" was conceived! Jude 1:6 confirms they were angels and not of humanity.*

Their whole number was two hundred, who descended upon Ardis which is Mount Hermon. (En.7:7)

The result of this cohabitation was a new race part human, part spiritual,

And the women conceived and brought forth giants and they bore to them three races first the great giants. These giants brought forth the Nephilim and the Nephilim brought forth the Elioud

This hybrid breeding program was a deliberate attempt by HaSatan to pollute the human gene pool to an extent it would be impossible for humanity to produce the promised Seed thereby thwarting YHWH's decree that the forthcoming Seed of the woman would put an end to the seed of the serpent,

And I will put enmity between thee and the woman, and between your seed and her seed; it shall bruise your head, and you shall bruise his heel. (Gen.3:15).

It was the giants, the progeny of the fallen Watchers that was to be the seed of HaSatan. But it was not sufficient merely to corrupt the gene pool, HaSatan needed more to intensify his rebellion against YHWH and so his fallen Watchers (not the fruit from the tree) introduced reprobative knowledge into creation,

Moreover Azazel taught men to make swords, knives, shields, breastplates, the fabrication of mirrors and the workmanship of bracelets and ornaments, the use of paint, the beautifying of the eyebrows, stones of every valuable and select kind and all sorts of dyes, so the world became altered. Impiety increased, fornication multiplied and they transgressed and corrupted all their ways. Amazarak taught all the sorcerers and dividers of roots. Armers, the solution of sorcery. Barkay'el the observers of the stars. Akiybe'el signs. Tamiy'el taught astronomy. And Asarad'el taught the motion of the moon. (En.8:1-8).

The heavenly host reported the earthly situation to YHWH,

You (YHWH) have seen what Azazel has done, how he has taught every species of iniquity upon earth and has disclosed to the world all the secret things which are done in the heavens. Samyaza also has taught sorcery. To whom you have given authority over those who are associated with him. (En.9:5-6).

The following are quotes from separate sources substantiating the apocryphal passages above; the first being a quote from the Encyclopaedia Judaica and the second from Justin Martyr,

The fallen Angels also taught men the use of weapons and other tools promoting immorality and crime. In this manner demonic wisdom came into being, in addition to divine wisdom, and led to the corruption of mankind. (EJ 'Angels and Angelology, page 966)

God committed the care of men and all things under heaven to angels who he appointed over them. But the angels transgressed this appointment, and were captivated by the love of women, and begot children who were of those that are called demons and besides they afterwards subdued the human race to themselves, partly by teaching them to offer sacrifices and incense and libations, of which they stood in need after they were enslaved by lustful passions: and among them they sowed murder, wars, adulteries, intemperate deeds and all wickedness. (JM. Bk1, page 190).

All of the above correlates with Gen.6:1-4. But YHWH never made a creation capable of sustaining such large people, such was their appetite that they exhausted all man could produce and they turned to slaughter.

These (giants) devoured all the labours of men until it became impossible to feed them, when they turned themselves against men in order to devour them. And they began to injure birds, beasts, reptiles and fishes to eat one another's flesh and to drink their blood. (En.7:13-14).

Enoch tells us that there was so much blood spilt, that the earth cried out to the heavens and the heavenly messengers reported the earth's cries to YHWH who instructed His messengers in the punishment they were to

inflict on the fallen Watchers and their progeny. It is of note that neither was destroyed by the impending flood and the fate of each was not to be the same,

The report:

You have seen what Aza'zel has done, how he has taught every species of iniquity upon earth, and has disclosed to the world all the secret things which are done in the heavens. Samyaza also has taught sorcery, to whom you have given authority over those who are associated with him. They have gone together to the daughters of men, have lain with them, and have become polluted. And have revealed their sins to them. The women likewise have brought forth giants. Thus has the whole earth been filled with blood and with iniquity. (En.9:5-9).

YHWH's reply

Again YHWH said to Rapha'el bind Aza'zel hand and foot, cast him into darkness; and opening the desert which is in Duda'el, cast him in there. Throw upon him hurled and pointed stones, covering him with darkness. There shall he remain forever; cover his face that he may not see the light. And in the great day of judgement let him be cast into the fire. (En.10:6-9)

To Miyka'el likewise YHWH said, go and announce his crime to Samyaza and to the others who are with him, who have been associated with women, that they might be polluted with all their impurity. And when all their sons shall be slain, when they shall see the perdition of their beloved, bind them for seventy generations underneath the earth, even to the day of judgement and of consummation until the judgment, the effect of which will last forever, be completed. Then shall they be taken away into the lowest depths of the fire in torments, and in confinement shall they be shut up forever. Immediately after this shall Samyaza, together with them, burn and perish, they shall be bound until the consummation of many generations. (En.10:15-17).

And the messengers which kept not their first estate, but left their own habitation, He has reserved in everlasting chains under darkness until the judgment of the great day. (Jude1:6).

To Gavri'el also YHWH said, go to the bastards, to the reprobates, to the children of fornication, the offspring of the Watchers, (the giants) from among men, bring them forth and excite them one against another. Let them perish by mutual slaughter, for length of days shall not be theirs. (En. 10:13)

And against the messengers (Watchers) whom he had sent upon the earth, He was exceedingly wroth, and He gave commandment to root them out of all their dominion, and He bade us to bind them in the depths of the earth, and behold they are bound in the midst of them, and are kept separate. And against their sons (the Giants) went forth a command from before His face that they should be smitten with the sword and be removed from under heaven. And He sent His sword into their midst that each should slay his neighbour, and they began to slay each other till they all fell by the sword and were destroyed from the earth. (Jub.5 6-7, 9)

The fallen watchers are locked away in the bowels of the earth awaiting a final judgment which Scripture confirms (2Pet.2:4, Jude 1:6) and their progeny: the giants, exterminated themselves by mutual slaughter. So having dealt with the fallen 'Watchers' and their offspring, YHWH now had to deal with a polluted creation hence the reason for the flood. We know the flood wiped out all life except that on board the ark. That should have been the end of it, unfortunately it wasn't.

After the Deluge – The Re-emergence of Giants

We have seen how the seed of unrighteousness stemmed from the fallen 'Watchers' and their progeny and how YHWH dealt with not only the seed of unrighteousness but also stopped its cancerous effect with a deluge drowning the whole of creation. Yet the spies that Moshe sent to reconnoitre the land reported that the inhabitants were giants (Num.13:33). So how did they survive YHWH's command for their self- destruction? Some believe there was a second cohabitation by more of YHWH's messengers after the flood but that is a bit hard to swallow for two reasons; no support for a second or other cohabitations can be found in any literature anywhere

and secondly, the heavenly host would be aware of the extreme punishment as a result of the first cohabitation which, left the perpetrators terrified and trembling (En.13:5). What is more, speaking of the judgement against the fallen Watchers, the Archangel Michael says, "Who is capable of endurance of that severe judgment which has taken place.." (En.68:2). So we have both good and bad messengers terrified at the punishment YHWH decreed to the fallen Watchers which would be enough to prevent any repetition of this transgression. Also the archaeological evidence found to date, destroys this philosophy. In chapter 6 Enoch describes these first generation giants as 'great giants' and gives them a height of 300 cubits equal to 140 metres. Whilst this may be inconceivable to us, it wasn't for the ancients; the Greeks referred to such monstrous people as titans and Philo uses the same phrase when interpreting Gen.10:8-9, as does Josephus in his 'Contra Apionem 2:240,247. The archaeological excavations that uncovered the ancient city of Baalbek revealed massive stones some weighing over a thousand tons,⁴ then there are the monolithic stones of Stonehenge in England, it would have taken huge people to move and place such stones. However, archaeological finds to date are of much smaller skeletons than the first generation giants and suggests that succeeding generations of giants must have suffered great reductions in size. Whilst skeletons of giants as tall as thirty five plus feet have been unearthed, archaeology denies a post flood cohabitation producing another 'first generation' of huge giants of the size described in Enoch. This being the case and knowing the preflood giants were all annihilated it means that the gene pool of the giants somehow crossed the flood but how? Enoch explains how prior to the flood YHWH only dealt with the physicality of the giants and how YHWH allowed their spirits to continue,

Now the giants who have been <u>born of the spirit and of flesh</u>, shall be called upon the earth evil spirits and on earth shall be their habitation. Evil spirits shall proceed from their flesh, because they were created from above, from the holy Watchers was their beginning and primary foundation. Evil spirits shall they be upon earth and the spirits of the wicked shall they be called. The spirits of the giants are like Nephilim which shall oppress, corrupt, fall, content and bruise upon the earth. (Enoch 15:8-9)

And as to the death of the giants, wheresoever their spirits depart from their bodies, <u>let their flesh that which is perishable be destroyed</u> before the judgment. Thus shall they perish until the day of the great consummation of the great world. (Enoch 16:1).

The giants were a hybrid race; human and spiritual, and only their physicality was destroyed, the disembodied spiritual element of these giants survived to become demons/devils which survived the flood and apparently wasted no time in making their presence felt,

And the sons of Noach came to Noach their father, and they told him concerning the devils which were leading astray and binding and slaying his son's sons. And he prayed before YHWH Elohim and said, "Elohim of the spirit of all flesh, who has shown mercy unto me and has saved me and my sons from the waters of the flood..... (Jub.10:2-3).

And you know how your Watchers, the fathers of these spirits, acted in my day, and as for these spirits which are living, imprison them and hold them fast in the place of condemnation and let them not bring destruction on the sons of your servant, my Elohim: for these are malignant and created in order to destroy. And let them not rule over the spirits of the living, for you alone can exercise dominion over them. And let them not have power over the sons of the righteous from henceforth and forevermore. (Jub.10:5-6).

So what we have in Jubilees is confirmation of what is said in Enoch 15:8-9 above. Unfortunately YHWH did not completely accede to all of what Noach requested,

And the chief of the spirits; Mastema, came and said: YHWH Creator, let some of them remain before me and let them harken to my voice and do all that I say to them, for if some of them are not left to me, I shall not be able to execute the power of my will on the sons of men; for these are for corruption and leading astray before my judgment.... (Jub.10:8).

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⁴ For further information the reader can Google 'The Stones of Baalbek.'

And He said let the tenth part of them remain before him and let nine part descend into the place of condemnation. (Jub.10:9).

And we did according to all His words: all the malignant evils ones we bound in the place of condemnation and a tenth part of them we left that they might be subject before HaSatan on the earth. (Jub.10:11).

The name Mastema is derived from the Hebrew 'Mastim' the Hiphil participle of 'Satan,' and meaning 'one who is adverse.' Thus the term 'Mastema' is the equivalent of HaSatan.

And they made for themselves molten images, and they worshipped each the idol, the molten image they had made for themselves, and they began to make graven images and unclean simulacra, <u>and malignant spirits assisted and seduced them into committing transgression and uncleanness.</u> And the prince Mastema exerted himself to do all this, and he sent forth other spirits, those which were put under his hand, to do all manner of wrong and sin, and all manner of transgression, to corrupt and destroy on the earth. (Jub.11:4-5).

For reasons known only to Himself YHWH allowed a tenth of these disembodied devil spirits to remain. But these devil spirits are without bodies spiritual or otherwise, consequently they are forever roaming around looking for host bodies to possess,

Now when the unclean spirit goes out of a man, he goes through dry places, seeking rest, and finds none. Then it says, 'I shall return to my house from which I came.' And when it comes, it finds it empty, swept, and decorated. Then it goes and takes with it seven other spirits more wicked than itself, and they enter and dwell there. And the last of that man is worse than the first. So shall it also be with this wicked generation. (Matt.12:43-45).

This brings us to another point of interest. According to the book of Jubilees these devil spirits afflicted Noach's descendants with sickness and diseases so YHWH instructed His messengers to teach Noach herbal remedies,

And we explained to Noach all the medicines of their diseases, together with their seductions, how he might heal them with herbs of the earth. And Noach wrote down all things in a book as we instructed him concerning every kind of medicine. (Jub.10:12-13).

As far as I am aware there is no reference of humanity suffering sickness and disease before the flood and it appears to be the result of demonic possession by these disembodied spirits. Mashiach confirms this to be the case,

Then they brought to Him one who was demon-possessed, blind and dumb. And He healed him, so that the blind and dumb man both spoke and saw. And all the crowds were amazed and said, "Is this the Son of Davig?" But when the Pharisees heard it they said, "This one does not cast out demons except by Beelzebub, the ruler of the demons." And Yahusha knew their thoughts, and said to them, "Every kingdom divided against itself is laid waste, and every city or house divided against itself shall not stand. And if Satan casts out Satan, he is divided against himself. How then does his kingdom stand?" (Matt.12:22-26)

And when they came to the crowd, a man came up to Him, kneeling down to Him and saying, "Master, have compassion on my son, for he is an epileptic and suffers badly, for he often falls into the fire and often into the water. And I brought him to the disciples, but they were unable to heal him." And Yahusha answering, said, "O generation, unbelieving and perverted, how long shall I be with you? How long shall I put up with you? Bring him here to Me." And Yahusha rebuked the demon, and he came out of him. And the child was healed from that hour. (Matt.17:14-18).

However, we should be careful not to attribute all modern afflictions to be the result of demonic possession, humanity itself has contributed greatly to much of the sickness experienced today. Indeed when we consider the financial rewards to those profiting from a very successful pharmaceutical industry, why should those in charge be interested in eradicating sickness when manipulation and control of sickness is far more lucrative.

But all of this does not explain the physical reappearance of giants after the flood? Having no body of their own, unlike their forebears, these disembodied spirits would be unable to cohabitate with humanity and therefore they cannot be responsible for of the appearance of the post-flood giants. As said earlier, considering the severity of the punishment for such transgression, it is inconceivable that a second contingent of messengers would commit the same offence of cohabitation. So what was the origin of these giants? Before we can attempt to answer this question we need to understand what DNA is and does.

DNA is a molecule that contains the instructions an organism needs to develop, live and reproduce. In simple words it determines life form and is what makes each of us individually different. What is more, each life form has its own specific DNA; humans, animals, plants etc. When the Watchers enjoined themselves with earthly women it corrupted the DNA strand YHWH created specifically for humans and a hybrid DNA and life form was produced. Is it possible that DNA has the ability to remember its corruption and to activate a corrupted gene at will? Such ability may explain why some hereditary conditions are able to skip a generation or why only a specific child within a family may suffer a hereditary illness. Relating this to our article, we are told that Noach was "Perfect in his generations" (Gen.6:9), in other words he was genetically pure. The Book of Yasher tells us that Noach married one of Enoch's daughters who would have been an ideal wife for Noach. Noah's sons however, had no choice but to take wives from what Scripture describes as a completely corrupt humanity, indeed Yasher further tells us that these wives were the daughters of Methuselah's son Eliakim. The text states that all but Noach, his family and Methuselah had strayed from YHWH, thus Eliakim was one who had strayed. Hence it is more than probable Eliakim's daughters had strayed and they were carrying a corrupted DNA that subsequently produced a new race of giants? Enoch infers that this was what happened. When Enoch's grandson Lamech fathered Noach he was disturbed by the appearance of Noach and requested his father, Methuselah to enquire of Enoch about the child. Enoch explained that creation was about to suffer a catastrophic event which would destroy all life on earth but YHWH had chosen to preserve this child only and his progeny. As we know Noach, his wife, their three sons with their wives survived the flood. Enoch told Methuselah what would occur after the flood,

This child who is born to your son shall survive on the earth and his three sons with him. When all mankind who are on the earth shall die, he shall be safe. And his posterity shall beget on the earth giants, not spiritual but carnal. (En.105:15-16).

Here we are told that the new race of giants is the product of Noach's sons descendants, thus it would appear that it was one or more of the Noach's son's wives through which the corrupted DNA survived the flood and subsequently produced a second race of giants. It may have been because these giants were wholly carnal and not spiritual unlike the first generation of the fallen Watchers that they were of a much smaller size.

Conclusion to Part 1

This part 1 has taken us from Adam to the situation existing immediately after the flood and explained how a corrupted DNA and devil spirits were able to survive the flood. Part 2 concentrates on the period from 1900 AD to the present and explains a phenomenon particular to the twentieth century, which resulted in the deliberate rise of demonic activity.

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