

Flood causation: what exactly is the “problem” that the Flood aims to “solve” or “fix”?

6.1-4:

6:1 When people began to multiply on the face of the ground, and daughters were born to them,

2 the sons of God saw that they were fair; and they took wives for themselves of all that they chose.

3 Then YHWH said, "My spirit shall not abide in mortals forever, for they are flesh; their days shall be one hundred twenty years."

4 The Nephilim were on the earth in those days--and also afterward--when the sons of God went in to the daughters of humans, who bore children to them. These were the heroes that were of old, warriors of renown.

***Is the issue sexuality that crosses divinely-made boundaries?
Or maybe the claims of kings to be “divine” (i.e. “sons of God”)?***

6.5-8:

YHWH saw that the wickedness of humankind was great in the earth, and that every inclination of the thoughts of their hearts was only evil continually.

6 And YHWH was sorry that he had made humankind on the earth, and it grieved him to his heart.

7 So YHWH said, "I will blot out from the earth the human beings I have created--people together with animals and creeping things and birds of the air, for I am sorry that I have made them."

8 But Noah found favor in the sight of YHWH.

What exactly is the “wickedness” at the core of humanity: is it disobedience to God’s conditions of life on earth? Idolatry? Something else?

6.11-13:

Now the earth was corrupt in God's sight, and the earth was filled with violence.

12 And God saw that the earth was corrupt; for all flesh had corrupted its ways upon the earth.

13 And God said to Noah, "I have determined to make an end of all flesh, for the earth is filled with violence because of them; now I am going to destroy them along with the earth.

How was the earth “corrupt”: like a rotting fruit or a fraying cloth? Or like an unjust social order? What had nonhumans done that was “corrupt”?