

Now We Know: The Nephilim and the Coming Judgment

In Episode 27 of Through the Lens, Curt Reed, senior pastor of Calvary Chapel Harvest Life in Las Vegas, tackled one of the Bible's most mysterious and debated topics: the Nephilim.

Pulling straight from the pages of Genesis 6, Reed zeroed in on the biblical account of giants walking the earth before the flood – beings born from a forbidden union between fallen angels and human women.

"There were giants on the earth in those days and also afterward when the sons of God came into the daughters of men and they bore children to them," Reed read directly from Scripture, highlighting the often overlooked and controversial passage. "Those were the mighty men of old, men of renown."

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This isn't just ancient mythology, according to Reed. He believes the Nephilim were real and that their presence on earth had catastrophic consequences, both then and now.

"When many look at the world around us and they see chaos, I see something different," Reed said. "I see God warning the people of this world that his judgment is coming soon."

Reed cited the book of Jude as further evidence: "In Jude verse 6 it speaks of those angels that did not keep their proper domain, but left their own habitation." To him, these fallen angels are at the heart of the Nephilim origin story.

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Throughout the episode, Reed maintained that these biblical giants weren't just mythic tales, but physical beings who left

behind a disturbing legacy. From massive skeletal remains to oral traditions from Native American tribes, he argued the evidence is more than compelling. "We find these in Nevada, we find these throughout the world – Catalina Island, the Middle East. Throughout the world we find these."

He also connected the Nephilim to familiar biblical characters, reminding viewers that this isn't fringe material but embedded in the faith's foundation. "Remember Joshua and Caleb, they said there are giants in the land, we're like grasshoppers to them. Remember David with Goliath."

While the episode included related subjects like the location of Noah's Ark and fossil evidence for a global flood, it always circled back to the question of the Nephilim and their connection to a world spiraling toward judgment.

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"This is Jesus speaking," Reed emphasized while reading from Matthew 24:37. "'But as the days of Noah were, so also will be the coming of the Son of Man.' So hey, if you believe in Jesus, you believe in Noah. You believe in the flood of Noah and in the ark."

To Reed, understanding the past – including these giants of old – is key to preparing for the future.

"All of these things, guys, we've unpacked a lot here ... just to give you a general overview," he said toward the end of the episode. "Here's the key: He talks about what He has done in the past as something for us to learn from because of what He will bring upon a Christ-rejecting world."

The Nephilim aren't just a footnote in biblical history. They're part of a larger prophetic picture that still speaks to our world today.

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