**‘The “Afterward” Giants’**

***4There were giants on the earth in those days, and also afterward, when the sons of God came in to the daughters of men and they bore children to them. Those were the mighty men who were of old, men of renown.*** Genesis 6:4

Has the phrase, ***“and also afterward,”*** ever caught your attention? It has mine. Maybe we’d like to ignore it and just move on. Then we’d miss a great opportunity to understand why God commanded some of the things He did in the Bible.

The little phrase ***“and also afterward”*** tells us that there could have been other incursions into the earth by other rebellious angels AFTER the flood of Noah, which are not in the Biblical record. IF what is recorded in ***The Book of Enoch*** is true, and if there were other incursions of other rebellious angels into the earth after the flood, who cohabited with human women, that would have to be the only conclusion we could possibly reach.

In Enoch we read of the judgment which the Lord God pronounced against the first rebellious angels who cohabited with human women:

***15To Michael likewise the Lord 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…bind them for seventy generations underneath the earth, even to the day of judgment, and of consummation, until the judgment, the effect of which will last for ever, be completed. 16 Then shall they be taken away into the lowest depths of the fire in torments; and in confinement shall they be shut up for ever.***Enoch 10:15-16

The Bible doesn’t record for us any further angelic/human women cohabitations, but it is simply impossible to have “giants” on the earth after the flood without it, so something had to have happened. This naturally means that human DNA would once again be corrupted with non-human DNA making the redemption of the hybrid offspring of these unions impossible.[[1]](http://yourbibleblog.com/2018/02/page/2/" \l "_ftn1)

We already know that God was going to destroy the earth with a flood to rid the earth of its corrupted inhabitants[[2]](http://yourbibleblog.com/2018/02/page/2/" \l "_ftn2). And we know that He would promise never to send a flood to destroy the earth. How would God deal with the “afterward” giants? He would destroy the children of these unions in the course of time. The following passages record the destruction of some these people.

***10(The Emim had dwelt there in times past, a people as great and numerous and tall as the Anakim. 11They were also regarded as giants******[[3]](http://yourbibleblog.com/2018/02/page/2/" \l "_ftn3), like the Anakim, but the Moabites call them Emim. 12The Horites formerly dwelt in Seir, but the descendants of Esau dispossessed them and destroyed them from before them, and dwelt in their place, just as Israel did to the land of their possession which the Lord gave them.)*** Deuteronomy 2:10-12

***19And when you come near the people of Ammon, do not harass them or meddle with them, for I will not give you any of the land of the people of Ammon as a possession, because I have given it to the descendants of Lot as a possession.’”***

***20(That was also regarded as a land of giants; giants formerly dwelt there. But the Ammonites call them Zamzummim, 21a people as great and numerous and tall as the Anakim. But the Lord destroyed them before them, and they dispossessed them and dwelt in their place, 22just as He had done for the descendants of Esau, who dwelt in Seir, when He destroyed the Horites from before them. They dispossessed them and dwelt in their place, even to this day. 23And the Avim, who dwelt in villages as far as Gaza—the Caphtorim, who came from Caphtor, destroyed them and dwelt in their place.)*** Deuteronomy 2:19-23

[[1]](http://yourbibleblog.com/2018/02/page/2/" \l "_ftnref1) God didn’t create the hybrids, so He is not tasked with redeeming them.

[[2]](http://yourbibleblog.com/2018/02/page/2/" \l "_ftnref2) Genesis 6:5-8

[[3]](http://yourbibleblog.com/2018/02/page/2/" \l "_ftnref3) The word translated as ‘giants’ in verses 11 and 20 is actually the Hebrew word ‘Rephaim’. The Rephaim along with the Zamzummim, the Anakim, and Emim, were among the angelic-human hybrids that were scattered throughout the earth. They were these angelic-human hybrids whom God did not create, and who could not be redeemed by the Seed of the woman. This is why God would command that they be totally annihilated. God did not want their corrupted DNA spreading throughout the earth. The possibility of their corrupt DNA affecting all of the people who’d be born on earth was real. Their destruction would keep this from happening, and it was one of the ways God preserved the plan of salvation He had for humankind.