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**Message Series:** New Beginnings in Genesis

- ◆ Creation... Sin's Curse... Cataclysmic Result
- ◆ 1500 years between the Fall in the Garden and The Flood
- ◆ The Fall in the Garden... The Winter of our Souls... More Sadness... More Brokenness

### **1. God's Loving Heart Painfully Rejected**

Genesis 6:5-7

1) **God's Discernment** - "The Lord saw... the human heart was only evil all the time"

Romans 1:18, 19

⇒ "We have our corrupters... deliberately trying to reshape society so that abnormality and nice is the accepted norm." ~Phillip's

2) **God's Disappointment**

Genesis 6:6 "The Lord regretted (grieved)."

⇒ "**grieved**" - a highly expressive love word revealing the heartache of God over the wicked rebellion of people. It stabbed Him to His heart.

3) **God's Decision**

Genesis 6:7

### **2. God's Response To Evil Times**

Genesis 6:8-13

**Noah's Divine Calling:**

1) "Noah found favor in the eyes of the Lord"

2) "Noah... walked faithfully with God" ... "among the people of his time..."

⇒ Noah's life had found a new center of focus: it no longer revolved around people's opinions but around pleasing God.

3) Noah's life bore eternal fruit

2 Peter 2:5

Genesis 6:14, 17, 18, 22

⇒ For 120 years Noah labored and lived out God's plan in a hostile world.

Hebrews 11:7

Luke 17:26, 27

### **3. God's Promise For Us Today**

Romans 8:19-23

Colossians 3:1-10

⇒ "Beware of no man more than of yourself, we carry our worst enemies within us." ~Spurgeon

Galatians 2:20

Revelation 22:1-5