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"BEING A RESTORED HUMAN"



"A SHORT HISTORY OF THE COSMOS" "REBELLION IN THE DIVINE COUNCIL" I. THE DIVINE COUNCIL: MEMBERSHIP AND

RESPONSIBILITIES

- A. The <u>Sons</u> of God a hierarchy of created elohim with limited divine power; called "gods" in the translations of the Old Testament; the congregation of the mighty; granted strength, might, authority, power, wisdom, knowledge; their loyalty and fidelity are to YHWH; they are beings of choice; like the other heavenly beings they make up the host of heaven
- **B.** Responsibilities: To act as an <u>executive</u> council to God to execute His decrees in the cosmos; they are even called upon to assist in <u>making</u> decrees; some examples: **1 Kgs 22:17-23; Dan 4:13,17,23-24**
- C. Additional responsibilities: After Babel, the rebellious people are split into separate <u>linguistic</u> groups; scattered by the Lord around the world; at least one <u>member</u> of the divine council is assigned to each group **Gen 11; Deut 32:8**

II. REBELLION AMONG THE CHERUBIM

- A. Ezekiel's description of the cherubim
- **B.** The beauty and wisdom of <u>Lucifer</u>, the cherub who covers
- **C.** The self-delusion of perfection; <u>narcissism</u> that steps out of bounds; desire to be <u>God</u>

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- **D.** Making the <u>twist</u>; turned out of the <u>way</u>
- **E.** Marketing the idea: Obsessed with it he spread it to earth & to the divine council

III. REBELLION IN THE COUNCIL

- A. The desire for women and on a global scale **Gen 6:1-5** *Judged by the flood*
- B. <u>Leadership</u> issues over the nations **Psa 82**
 - 1. Assignment to nation-judgment at Babel with the intent of being shown the ways of God so the nations would <u>seek</u> after <u>God</u>

Gen 11; Deu 32:8; Acts 17

- 2. Through the <u>perversion</u> of humanity, they became "gods" over the nations they served!
 - A. People made <u>images</u> of them to worship causing God to further give them up Rom 1:21-24
 - B. They <u>seduced</u> Israel to serve them **De 32**
 - C. They judged the nations unjustly vv 2, 5
 - 1. Favored the wicked in the nations
 - 2. Left the disenfranchised people without knowledge, without understanding, making them walk in the darkness of ignorance of the ways of God, leading to great instability
- 3. God has <u>judged</u> them vv 6-7
- 4. He is arising to <u>regain</u> the nations for Himself v8