

(1) Genesis 3:1-7 "Now the serpent was more crafty than any beast of the field which the Lord God had made. And he said to the woman, 'Indeed, has God said, 'You shall not eat from any tree of the garden'?' And the woman said to the serpent, 'From the fruit of the trees of the garden we may eat; but from the fruit of the tree which is in the middle of the garden, God has said, 'You shall not eat from it or touch it, lest you die.' ' And the serpent said to the woman, 'You surely shall not die! For God knows that in the day you eat from it your eyes will be opened, and you will be like God, knowing good and evil.' When the woman saw that the tree was good for food, and that it was a delight to the eyes, and that the tree was desirable to make one wise, she took from its fruit and ate; and she gave also to her husband with her, and he ate. Then the eyes of both of them were opened, and they knew that they were naked, and they sewed fig leaves together and made themselves loin coverings."

Here is the ultimate root of Secular Humanism!

There are two, and only two, ways for Adam and Eve to follow: the way of obedience, as revealed to them, or the way of sinful rebellion, as formulated by their attempts to be their own gods, knowing and determining on their own what is ultimately good and ultimately evil. The first way is the way of godly humility and dependence; the second way is the way of attempts to be self-sufficient or autonomous (which means to be a law to oneself). Adam and Eve chose the second way, and fell into a state of sin and death.

The underlying principle of this "original sin" is the desire of man to be his own god, to overthrow the word and law of God, and to substitute instead his own word as law.

(2) Genesis 6:5-13 "Then the Lord saw that the wickedness of man was great on the earth, and that every intent of the thoughts of his heart was only evil continually. And the Lord was sorry that He had made man on the earth, and He was grieved in His heart. And the Lord said, 'I will blot out man whom I have created from the face of the land, from man to animals to creeping things and to birds of the sky; for I am sorry that I have made them.' But Noah found favor in the eyes of the Lord. These are the records of the generations of Noah. Noah was a righteous man, blameless in his time; Noah walked with God. And Noah became the father of three sons: Shem, Ham, and Japheth. Now the earth was corrupt in the sight of God, and the earth was filled with violence. And God looked on the earth, and behold, it was corrupt; for all flesh had corrupted their way upon the earth. Then God said to Noah, 'The end of all flesh has come before Me; for the earth is filled with violence because of them; and behold, I am about to destroy them with the earth.' "

By the time of Noah, the human race had corrupted itself so badly that the Lord found it necessary to destroy all but a handful of people (specifically eight).

They rejected God, did what they pleased, and filled the earth with corruption and violence. Because they rejected God's standards of reality, truth, and values, and lived by their own self-made standards, they brought destruction upon themselves.

God's destruction of the ancient world reveals something of His wrath against the basic attitude of Secular Humanism, when that attitude permeated almost the entire human race during a less sophisticated period of history.