It Might Be Today

GENETIC ENGINEERING

Every Sunday we present a prophecy update. We show how news and trends in the world corroborate centuries-old prophecies you read in the Bible.

Jesus told us that "as it was in the days of Noah, so it will be also in the days of the Son of Man" (Luke 17:26).

One of the frightening characteristics of the days of Noah was that something was happening that altered the offspring of human mothers.

Here is what it says in Genesis 6:1-4.

Genesis 6:1 Now it came to pass, when men began to multiply on the face of the earth, and daughters were born to them,

Genesis 6:2 that the sons of God saw the daughters of men, that they were beautiful; and they took wives for themselves of all whom they chose.

Genesis 6:4 There 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.

Commentators are disagreed on exactly what this means but at least one line of thought is that "the sons of God" is a reference to the fallen angels and that somehow this cohabitation of demons with humans led to an alteration of human genetics.

Do we see anything like this happening today? Well, we don't see demons taking wives for themselves but there is a frightening movement towards altering human genetics.

First of all, did you know that you can do genetic engineering yourself at home? I came across an article, an old article, from 2008 posted in the

Huffington Post titled, *Do It Yourself DNA: Amateurs Trying Genetic Engineering At Home*.¹

Excerpts:

Using homemade lab equipment and the wealth of scientific knowledge available online... hobbyists are trying to create new life forms through genetic engineering - a field long dominated by Ph.D.s toiling in university and corporate laboratories.

Many of these amateurs may have studied biology in college but have no advanced degrees and are not earning a living in the biotechnology field. Some proudly call themselves "biohackers" - innovators who push technological boundaries

... critics of the movement worry that these amateurs could one day unleash an environmental or medical disaster.

It's like a real-life science fiction horror movie!

The article that got me looking into this is more recent, posted by the BBC on September 18 of this year. It was titled, *Will we all be tweaking our own genetic code?*²

Excerpts:

About 30 years ago, Professor George Church was one of a handful of people who dreamed up the idea of sequencing the entire human genome - every letter in the code that separates us from fruit flies as well as our parents. His lab was the first to come up with a machine to break that code, and he's been working to improve it ever since.

Once the first genome was sequenced, he pushed the idea that it wasn't enough to have one sequence, we needed everyone's. When people pointed to the nearly \$3billion price tag for that first one, he built another machine.

Now, the cost is down to below \$5,000 per genome, and Professor Church says we're quickly heading toward another 10- or 20-fold decrease in price - to roughly the cost of a blood test.

Helping to develop the machines to sequence the human genome was Professor Church's first big achievement. He's pointing to at a bigger goal: Now that reading DNA code is almost simple, **he wants to write and edit it, too.**

¹ http://www.huffingtonpost.com/2008/12/25/do-it-yourself-dna-amateu n 153489.html

² http://www.bbc.co.uk/news/technology-14919539

"You could think of this as driving evolution to very rapid rates," Church said. "Sort of evolution on steroids."

I don't know if this is bad or good. I have a suspicion it will turn out badly.

All I'm saying is that in the days of Noah there was something happening that was altering the human race and today, on a fairly widespread scale, mankind is working in labs and in garages to alter the human race.

Does anything need to happen before Jesus returns to resurrect and rapture the church? No. And that's why I like to end these updates by saying, Get ready, stay ready, and keep looking up. *Ready or not, Jesus is coming!*