

SONS OF GOD (NKJV)

OLD TESTAMENT (6)

GEN 6:1-4 - When human beings began to increase in number on the earth and daughters were born to them, the **sons of God** saw that the daughters of humans were beautiful, and they married any of them they chose. Then the Lord said, “My Spirit will not contend with humans forever, for they are mortal; their days will be a hundred and twenty years.” **The Nephilim** were on the earth in those days—and also afterward—when the **sons of God** went to the daughters of humans and had children by them. They were the heroes of old, men of renown.

Sons of God in Heberew • bə-nê-hā-’ě-lō-hîm

JOB 1:6 - Now there was a day when the **sons of God** came to present themselves before the Lord, and Satan also came among them.

Sons of God in Heberew • bə-nê-hā-’ě-lō-hîm

JOB 2:1 - Again there was a day when the **sons of God** came to present themselves before the Lord, and Satan came also among them to present himself before the Lord.

Sons of God in Heberew • bə-nê-hā-’ě-lō-hîm

JOB 38:7 - When the morning stars sang together, And all the **sons of God** shouted for joy?

Sons of God in Heberew • bə-nê-hā-’ě-lō-hîm

HOSEA 1:10 - “Yet the number of the children of Israel Shall be as the sand of the sea, Which cannot be measured or numbered. And it shall come to pass In the place where it was said to them, ‘You are not My people,’ There it shall be said to them, ‘You are **sons of the living God.**’

Sons of the Living God in Hebrew • bə-nê’êl-ḥāy

NEW TESTAMENT - Greek - sons of God - Huioi Theou - υἱοὶ Θεοῦ

MATTHEWS 5:9 - Blessed are the peacemakers, For they shall be called **sons of God**.

LUKE 20:36 - nor can they die anymore, for they are equal to the angels and are **sons of God**, being sons of the resurrection.

ROMANS 8:14 - For as many as are led by the Spirit of God, these are **sons of God**.

ROMANS 8:19 - For the earnest expectation of the creation eagerly waits for the revealing of the **sons of God**.

ROMANS 9:26 - “And it shall come to pass in the place where it was said to them, ‘You are not My people,’ There they shall be called **sons of the living God**.”

GALATIANS 3:26 - For you are all **sons of God** through faith in Christ Jesus.

GALATIANS 4:6 - And because you are sons, God has sent forth the Spirit of His Son into your hearts, crying out, “Abba, Father!”

CHILDREN OF GOD - greek - tekna Theou - τέκνα Θεοῦ

JOHN 1:12 - But as many as received Him, to them He gave the right to become **children of God**, to those who believe in His name:

ROMANS 8:16-17 - The Spirit Himself bears witness with our spirit that we are **children of God**, and if children, then heirs—**heirs of God** and **joint heirs with Christ**, if indeed we suffer with Him, that we may also be glorified together.

ROMANS 8:21 - because the creation itself also will be delivered from the bondage of corruption into the glorious liberty of the **children of God**.

ROMANS 9:8 - That is, those who are the children of the flesh, these are not the **children of God**; but the **children of the promise** are counted as the seed.

EPHESIANS 5:1 - Therefore be imitators of God as dear (beloved) children. Beloved - agapētos

PHILIPPIANS 2:15 - that you may become blameless and harmless, **children of God** without fault in the midst of a crooked and perverse generation, among whom you shine as lights in the world,

1 JOHN 3:1 - Behold what manner of love the Father has bestowed on us, that we should be called **children of God**! Therefore the world does not know us, because it did not know Him.

BORN - Holy Spirit Overshadows/hovers, born of God, born again, born of the spirit

LUKE 1:35 - And the angel answered and said to her, "The Holy Spirit will come upon you, and the power of the Highest will overshadow you; therefore, also, that Holy One who is to be born will be called the Son of God.

JOHN 1:3 - who were born, not of blood, nor of the will of the flesh, nor of the will of man, but of God.

JOHN 3:3 - Jesus answered and said to him, "Most assuredly, I say to you, unless one is born again, he cannot see the kingdom of God."

JOHN 3:5 - Jesus answered, "Most assuredly, I say to you, unless one is born of water and the Spirit, he cannot enter the kingdom of God.

GALATIANS 4:4 - But when the fullness of the time had come, God sent forth His Son, born of a woman, born under the law,

1 PETER 1:23 - having been born again, not of corruptible seed but incorruptible, through the word of God which lives and abides forever,

1 JOHN 3:9 - Whoever has been born of God does not sin, for His seed remains in him; and he cannot sin, because he has been born of God.

1 JOHN 4:7 - Beloved, let us love one another, for love is of God; and everyone who loves is born of God and knows God.

1 JOHN 5:4 - For whatever is born of God overcomes the world. And this is the victory that has overcome the world—our faith.

1 JOHN 5:18 - We know that whoever is born of God does not sin; but he who has been born of God keeps himself, and the wicked one does not touch him.

BEGOTTEN - MONOGENE μονογενῆ

1 JOHN 5:1 - Whoever believes that Jesus is the Christ is born of God, and everyone who loves Him who begot also loves him who is begotten of Him.

JOHN 3:16 - For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have everlasting life.

SEED

ROMANS 9:8 - That is, those who are the children of the flesh, these are not the children of God; but the children of the promise are counted as the seed.

GALATIANS 3:16 - Now to Abraham and his Seed were the promises made. He does not say, "And to seeds," as of many, but as of one, "And to your Seed," who is Christ.

GALATIANS 3:19 - What purpose then does the law serve? It was added because of transgressions, till the Seed should come to whom the promise was made; and it was appointed through angels by the hand of a mediator.

GALATIANS 3:29 - And if you are Christ's, then you are Abraham's seed, and heirs according to the promise.

2 TIMOTHY 2:8 - Remember that Jesus Christ, of the seed of David, was raised from the dead according to my gospel

HEBREWS 2:16 - For indeed He does not give aid to angels, but He does give aid to the seed of Abraham.

1 PETER 1:23 - having been **born again**, not of corruptible **seed** but **incorruptible**, through the **word of God** which lives and abides forever,

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ADOPTION - huiothesia - Divine adoption as sons - υιοθεσία

ROMANS 8:15 - For you did not receive the spirit of bondage again to fear, but you received the **Spirit of adoption** by whom we cry out, "Abba, Father."

ROMANS 8:23 - Not only that, but we also who have the firstfruits of the Spirit, even we ourselves groan within ourselves, eagerly waiting **for the adoption, the redemption of our body**.

ROMANS 9:4 - **who are Israelites, to whom pertain the adoption**, the glory, the covenants, the giving of the law, the service of God, and the promises;

GALATIANS 4:5-6 - to redeem those who were under the law, that we might receive the **adoption as sons**. And because **you are sons**, God has sent forth the Spirit of His Son into your hearts, crying out, "Abba, Father!"

EPHESIANS 1:5 - having predestined us to **adoption as sons by Jesus Christ to Himself**, according to the good pleasure of His will,

UNDERSTANDING ADOPTION

Dutch Sheets - "The word translated as "adoption" in Ephesians 1:5 refers not only to a child being placed in a family, but also to a child already in a family being placed into the authority of a fully matured son. It's about our redemption and our inheritance."

GALATIANS 4:1 - Now I say that the heir, as long as he is a child, does not differ at all from a slave, though he is master of all, but is under guardians and stewards until the time appointed by the father. Even so we, when we were children, were in bondage under the elements of the world. ...

BORN AGAIN / REBORN

JAMES 1:18 - He chose to give us birth through the word of truth, that we would be a kind of firstfruits of His creation.

JOHN 3:3 - Jesus answered and said to him, "Most assuredly, I say to you, unless one is born again, he cannot see the kingdom of God."

JOHN 3:5 - Jesus answered, "Most assuredly, I say to you, unless one is born of water and the Spirit, he cannot enter the kingdom of God.

JOHN 3:6 - That which is born of the flesh is flesh, and that which is born of the Spirit is spirit.

JOHN 6:63 - It is the Spirit who gives life; the flesh profits nothing. The words that I speak to you are spirit, and they are life.

NEW LIFE / NEW CREATIONS

ROMANS 6:4 - Therefore we were buried with Him through baptism into death, that just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, even so we also should walk in newness of life.

2 CORINTHIANS 5:17 - Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation; old things have passed away; behold, all things have become new. Greek - kainē ktisis

ISAIAH 65:17 - "For behold, I create new heavens and a new earth; And the former shall not be remembered or come to mind.

GALATIANS 6:15 - For in Christ Jesus neither circumcision nor uncircumcision avails anything, but a new creation.

FIRSTFRUIT / FIRSTBORN

ROMANS 8:23 - Not only that, but we also who have the firstfruits of the Spirit, even we ourselves groan within ourselves, eagerly waiting for the adoption, the redemption of our body.

ROMANS 11:16 - For if the firstfruit is holy, the lump is also holy; and if the root is holy, so are the branches.

1 CORINTHIANS 15:20 - But now Christ is risen from the dead, and has become the firstfruits of those who have fallen asleep.

JAMES 1:18 - Of His own will He brought us forth by the word of truth, that we might be a kind of firstfruits of His creatures.

REVELATION 14:4 - These are the ones who were not defiled with women, for they are virgins. These are the ones who follow the Lamb wherever He goes. These were redeemed from among men, being firstfruits to God and to the Lamb.

ROMANS 8:29 - For whom He foreknew, He also predestined to be conformed to the image of His Son, that He might be the firstborn among many brethren.

COLOSSIANS 1:15 - He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn over all creation.

COLOSSIANS 1:18 - And He is the head of the body, the church, who is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, that in all things He may have the preeminence.

HEBREWS 1:6 - But when He again brings the firstborn into the world, He says: "Let all the angels of God worship Him."

HEBREWS 12:23 - to the general assembly and church of the firstborn who are registered in heaven, to God the Judge of all, to the spirits of just men made perfect,

FROM THE FOUNDATIONS

MATTHEW 25:34 - Then the King will say to those on His right hand, 'Come, you blessed of My Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world:

JOHN 17:24 - "Father, I desire that they also whom You gave Me may be with Me where I am, that they may behold My glory which You have given Me; for You loved Me before the foundation of the world.

EPHESIANS 1:4 - just as He chose us in Him before the foundation of the world, that we should be holy and without blame before Him in love,

1 PETER 1:20 - He indeed was foreordained before the foundation of the world, but was manifest in these last times for you.

REVELATION 13:8 - All who dwell on the earth will worship him, whose names have not been written in the Book of Life of the Lamb slain from the foundation of the world.

REVELATION 17:8 - The beast that you saw was, and is not, and will ascend out of the bottomless pit and go to perdition. And those who dwell on the earth will marvel, whose names **are not written in the Book of Life from the foundation of the world**, when they see the beast that was, and is not, and yet is.

LUKE 10:20 - Nevertheless do not rejoice in this, that the spirits are subject to you, but rather **rejoice because your names are written in heaven.**"

ORPHANS / BONDAGE / SLAVES

JOHN 14:18 - I will not leave you as orphans; I will come to you. (sending the Holy Spirit)

ROMANS 8:15 - For you did not receive the spirit of **bondage** (slavery) again to fear, but you received the Spirit of adoption by whom we cry out, "Abba, Father."

ROMANS 8:21 - because the creation itself also will be delivered from the **bondage** of corruption into the glorious liberty of the children of God.

GALATIANS 2:4 - And this occurred because of false brethren secretly brought in (who came in by stealth to spy out our liberty which we have in Christ Jesus, that they might bring us into **bondage**),

GALATIANS 4:3 - Even so we, when we were children, **were in bondage** under the elements of the world.

GALATIANS 4:9 - But now after you have known God, or rather are known by God, how is it that you turn again to the weak and beggarly elements, to which you desire again to be in **bondage**?

GALATIANS 4:23-25 - But he who was of the bondwoman was born according to the flesh, and he of the freewoman through promise, which things are symbolic. For these are the two covenants: the one from Mount Sinai which gives birth to bondage, which is Hagar—for this Hagar is Mount Sinai in Arabia, and corresponds to Jerusalem which now is, and is in bondage with her children—**but the Jerusalem above is free, which is the mother of us all.**

GALATIANS 5:1 - Stand fast therefore in the liberty by which Christ has made us free, and do not be entangled again with a **yoke of bondage**.

HEBREWS 2:14-15 - Inasmuch then as the children have partaken of flesh and blood, He Himself likewise shared in the same, that through death He might destroy him who had the power of death, that is, the devil, and release those who **through fear of death were all their lifetime subject to bondage**.

1 CORINTHIANS 7:23 - You were bought at a price; do not become slaves of men.

Deceptions of False Teachers (works of the flesh)

2 PETER 2:18 For when they speak great swelling words of emptiness, they allure through the lusts of the flesh, through lewdness, the ones who have actually escaped from those who live in error. 19 **While they promise them liberty, they themselves are slaves of corruption; for by whom a person is overcome, by him also he is brought into bondage.** 20 For if, after they have escaped the pollutions of the world through the knowledge of the Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, they are again entangled in them and overcome, the latter end is worse for them than the beginning. 21 For it would have been better for them not to have known the way of righteousness, than having known it, to turn from the holy commandment delivered to them. 22 But it has happened to them according to the true proverb: “A dog returns to his own vomit,” and, “a sow, having washed, to her wallowing in the mire.”

LIKENESS (appearance only) VS IMAGE (the very nature of)

GENESIS 1:26 - Then God said, “Let Us make man in Our image, according to Our likeness; let them have dominion over the fish of the sea, over the birds of the air, and over the cattle, over all the earth and over every creeping thing that creeps on the earth.”

GENESIS 5:1 - This is the book of the genealogy of Adam. In the day that God created man, He made him in the likeness of God.

EXODUS 20:4 - "You shall not make for yourself a carved image—any likeness of anything that is in heaven above, or that is in the earth beneath, or that is in the water under the earth;

DEUT 4:16 - lest you act corruptly and make for yourselves a carved image in the form of any figure: the likeness of male or female,

DEUT 4:17 - the likeness of any animal that is on the earth or the likeness of any winged bird that flies in the air,

DANIEL 10:16 - And suddenly, **one having the likeness of the sons of men** touched my lips; then I opened my mouth and spoke, saying to him who stood before me, "My lord, because of the vision my sorrows have overwhelmed me, and I have retained no strength.

DANIEL 10:18 - Then again, the one having the **likeness of a man** touched me and strengthened me.

ACTS 14:11 - Now when the people saw what Paul had done, they raised their voices, saying in the Lycaonian language, "**The gods have come down to us in the likeness of men!**"

ROMANS 8:3 - For what the law could not do in that it was weak through the flesh, God did by sending His own Son in **the likeness of sinful flesh**, on account of sin: He condemned sin in the flesh,

PHIIPPIANS 2:7 - but made Himself of no reputation, taking the form of a bondservant, and coming in **the likeness of men**.

HEBREWS 7:15 - And it is yet far more evident if, **in the likeness of Melchizedek**, there arises another priest

COLOSSIANS 1:15 - **He is the image of the invisible God**, the firstborn over all creation.

2 CORINTHIANS 4:4 - whose minds the god of this age has blinded, who do not believe, lest the light of the gospel of **the glory of Christ, who is the image of God**, should shine on them.

ROMANS 8:29 - **For whom He foreknew, He also predestined to be conformed to the image of His Son, that He might be the firstborn among many brethren.**

2 CORINTHIANS 3:18 - But we all, with unveiled face, **beholding as in a mirror the glory of the Lord, are being transformed into the same image from glory to glory**, just as by the Spirit of the Lord.

COLOSSIANS 3:10 - and have put on **the new man who is renewed in knowledge according to the image of Him** who created him,

HEBREWS 1:3 - **who being the brightness of His glory and the express image of His person**, and upholding all things by the word of His power, when He had by Himself purged our sins, sat down at the right hand of the Majesty on high,

HEBREWS 10:1 - **For the law, having a shadow of the good things to come, and not the very image of the things**, can never with these same sacrifices, which they offer continually year by year, make those who approach perfect.

SEATEDNESS

JOB 36:7 - He does not withdraw His eyes from the righteous; But they are on the throne with kings, **For He has seated them forever, And they are exalted.**

DANIEL 7:9 - "I watched till thrones were put in place, **And the Ancient of Days was seated**; His garment was white as snow, And the hair of His head was like pure wool. His throne was a fiery flame, Its wheels a burning fire;

EPHESIANS 1:20 - **which He worked in Christ when He raised Him from the dead and seated Him at His right hand** in the heavenly places,

HEBREWS 8:1 - Now this is the main point of the things we are saying: We have such a High Priest, **who is seated at the right hand of the throne of the Majesty in the heavens**,

EPHESIANS 2:6 - and raised us up together, and **made us sit together in the heavenly places in Christ Jesus**,

COLOSSIANS 3:1 - **Since, then, you have been raised with Christ**, set your hearts on things above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God.

CHRIST DIDN'T COME TO IMPROVE YOU > HE CAME TO REPLACE THE OLD YOU WITH THE NEW MAN (JESUS)

ROMANS 6:6 - knowing this, that our old man was crucified with Him, that the body of sin might be done away with, that we should no longer be slaves of sin.

ROMANS 6:7 - For he who has died has been freed from sin.

ROMANS 6:8 - Now if we died with Christ, we believe that we shall also live with Him,

ROMANS 6:10 - For the death that He died, He died to sin once for all; but the life that He lives, He lives to God.

ROMANS 7:6 - But now we have been delivered from the law, having died to what we were held by, so that we should serve in the newness of the Spirit and not in the oldness of the letter.

ROMANS 14:9 - For to this end Christ died and rose and lived again, that He might be Lord of both the dead and the living.

2 CORINTHIANS 5:14 - For the love of Christ compels us, because we judge thus: that if One died for all, then all died;

2 CORINTHIANS 5:15 - and He died for all, that those who live should live no longer for themselves, but for Him who died for them and rose again.

COLOSSIANS 2:20 - Therefore, if you died with Christ from the basic principles of the world, why, as though living in the world, do you subject yourselves to regulations—

COLOSSIANS 3:3 - For you died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God.

1 THES 4:14 - For if we believe that Jesus died and rose again, even so God will bring with Him those who sleep in Jesus.

2 TIM 2:11 - This is a faithful saying: For if we died with Him, We shall also live with Him.

1 PETER 2:24 - who Himself bore our sins in His own body on the tree, that we, having died to sins, might live for righteousness—by whose stripes you were healed.

WHO IS JESUS (THE SON OF GOD)

JOHN 1 - In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. He was in the beginning with God. All things were made through Him, and without Him nothing was made that was made. In Him was life, and the life was the light of men. And the light shines in the darkness, and the darkness did not comprehend it.

JOHN 1:11-13 - He came to His own, and His own did not receive Him. But as many as received Him, to them He gave the right to become children of God, to those who believe in His name: who were born, not of blood, nor of the will of the flesh, nor of the will of man, but of God.

JOHN 1:14 μονογενοῦς - monogenous - Monogenes has two primary definitions, "pertaining to being the only one of its kind within a specific relationship" and "pertaining to being the only one of its kind or class, unique in kind". Thus monogenēs (μονογενής) may be used both as an adjective monogenēs pais, meaning unique and special. NOT BEGOTTEN which means bring forth, bring about, or conceive. Monogenous is simply the unique Son of God. There is no other.

COLOSSIANS 1:19-20 For it pleased the Father that in him (Jesus) should all fullness dwell; and, having made peace through the blood of his cross, by him to reconcile all things unto himself; by him, I say, whether they be things in earth, or things in heaven.

IN CHRIST WE MOVE FROM BEING ONLY CREATED THINGS (LIKENESS) INTO FAMILY/SONS AND GOD IMAGE/NATURE (IMAGE BEARERS). WE MOVE FROM BEING THE PEOPLE OF GOD TO A GOVERNING BODY OF SONS (EKKLESIA) - Ecclesia, Greek Ekklēsia, ("gathering of those summoned"), in ancient Greece, assembly of citizens in a city-state. Governing Body.