

## Sons and Daughters - Biblical Word Study



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### **Genesis 6:1-2**

***And it came to pass, when men began to multiply on the face of the earth, and daughters were born unto them***

***That the sons of God saw the daughters of men that they were fair; and they took them wives of all which they chose.***

We are diving deeper on specifics of “Sons” and “Daughters” and their implications and meaning in the Bible.

“Sons” signify **truths/doctrine/understanding** - both with corresponding positive and negative results

A positive example: “*Sons of God*” - Those who possess an understanding of the Truth given by God.

A negative example: “*Son of the Devil*” - Those who lack understanding of truth, and therefore their understanding is no understanding at all, but perception only. **Imagination** masquerades as **understanding**.

“Daughters” signify **Goods** (meaning the good derived from truth, because only good can come when you have the truth)/**Will**/

**Obeying** - both with corresponding positive and negative results depending on each verses context.

Dualisms occur in the Bible frequently, both in the sense of compliment (you cannot have one without the other) and in the sense of nature (a positive character and a negative character)

“Daughters” in this negative implication in Genesis 6:1-2 signify lusts, masqueraded as will. Those heavily engrossed in self-worship rather than edifying God centered worship, **legalize their opinions** and move according to their lusts and passions. They move “*to and fro*”, thus being an **unstable, double-minded, unclean** person- which we all are until God reveals to us the Truth.

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*James 1:8*

*King James Version*

*A **double minded** man is **unstable** in all his ways.*

**Double minded** is defined as the Greek word “**dipsuchos**”  
**δίψυχος**

The term "dipsuchos" is used to describe someone who is wavering or indecisive in their beliefs or actions, particularly in their faith and relationship with God. It conveys the idea of having a divided loyalty or being unstable in one's spiritual life.

**Unstable** is the Greek word “**akatastatos**” - **ἀκατάστατος**

While there is no direct Hebrew equivalent for "akatastatos," the concept of instability can

be related to Hebrew words like "נָדַד" (nadad - to wander, flee) or "הוּוֹת" (tohu - formlessness, confusion). (We think of the first chapter of Genesis "the earth was without form" *Genesis 1:2*)

The Greek word "akatastatos" is used to describe something or someone that is unstable, restless, or disorderly. It conveys a sense of lacking stability or being in a state of constant change or turmoil. Remember in the Scriptures God is the only one who **does not change**.

***"For I the Lord do not change; therefore you, O children of Jacob, are not consumed. Malachi 3:6***

***God is not man, that he should lie, or a son of man, that he should change his mind. Has he said, and will he not do it? Or has he spoken, and will he not fulfill it? Numbers 23:19***

***Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today and forever. Hebrews 13:8***

***Every good gift and every perfect gift is from above, coming down from the Father of lights, with whom there is no variation or shadow due to change. James 1:17***

In the New Testament, it often refers to a lack of spiritual or moral stability, highlighting the inconsistency in behavior or belief.

When I think about this word, *unstable*, I think of the flood stories of the bible and what they represent, as well as the phrases "to and fro" and "wandering" often used in the Bible.

***And they shall wander from sea to sea, and from the north even to the east, they shall run to and fro to seek the word of the LORD, and shall not find [it]. Amos 8:12***

*That we [henceforth] be no more children, **tossed to and fro**, and carried about with every wind of doctrine, by the sleight of men, [and] cunning craftiness, whereby they lie in wait to deceive; Ephesians 4:14*

*Run ye **to and fro** through the streets of Jerusalem, and see now, and know, and seek in the broad places thereof, if ye can find a man, if there be [any] that executeth judgment, that seeketh the truth; and I will pardon it. Jeremiah 5:1*

*And the LORD said unto Satan, Whence comest thou? Then Satan answered the LORD, and said, From going **to and fro** in the earth, and from walking up and down in it. Job 1:7*

A man (person) is composed of his understanding, and from what he understands, his will is born and that is what he will do. You can tell much about a man by what he does or does not do, because what he does or does not do is direct evidence of what he understands.

A man is **built** based on what he understands, and his will is **built** on his understanding.

The Hebrew Word for “Daughter” is “**bath**” - and “Son” is “**Ben**” - both deriving from the same root word meaning to “**build or establish**”

Derived from the root word בָּנָה (banah), meaning "to build" or "to establish."

Banah -

begin to builder, obtain children, make, repair, set up, surely

A primitive root; to build (literally and figuratively) -- (begin to) build(-er), obtain children, make, repair, set (up), X surely.

Children (sons and daughters) is a popular Hebrew idiom that corresponded to being an offspring of a doctrine, idea, or character. Of course this can be used in both negative and positive contexts.

Man in a corrupt state has no understanding, only perception. What he perceives becomes his law. His opinion becomes his law, and therefore is walking without law, and without understanding there is no will, only lust and passions, which masquerades as will.

A corrupt man therefore is walking in darkness. A unregenerate man lives in darkness and is void of understanding.

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***Who among you fears the Lord and obeys the voice of his servant? Let him who walks in darkness and has no light trust in the name of the Lord and rely on his God. Isaiah 50:10***

Jesus, the Word of God, also known as the truth, is called “light” in the Bible, therefore truth (light) is the opposite of untruths (darkness).

In John 8:12 where Jesus declares, ***“I am the light of the world; whoever follows me will not walk in darkness, but will have the light of life”***

Jeremiah tells us that having no understanding of God is the same as living in darkness, to be formless, which we demonstrated is a similar Hebrew word to the Greek word “unstable” in James 1:8.

*For my people is foolish, they have not known me; they are sottish children, and **they have none understanding**: they are wise to do evil, but to do good they have no knowledge.*

**I beheld the earth, and, lo, it was without form, and void; and the heavens, and they had no light.** Jeremiah 4:22-23

Therefore, darkness in the Bible are those blinded in untruths, no understanding of God and only have their opinions and perceptions to govern them.

As demonstrated earlier, “daughters” in a negative implication signify lusts, masqueraded as will. Those heavily engrossed in self-worship rather than edifying God-centered worship legalize their opinions and move according to their lusts and passions. They move “**to and fro**” and “**wander**” because there is nothing stable to guide their will. Their will is dependent on emotion and fleeting passions which change more frequently than the seasons.

Genesis 6:1-2 is discussing how truth got mixed with a lie, and a corrupt doctrine was born. The doctrine/offspring was **built** based off a mixed understanding, a double minded understanding, therefore an unclean understanding. It is an idiom demonstrating an offspring of mans imagination rather than Gods truth and the destructive results it produces.

Take a look at the 1828 Dictionary definition of “Will”

**WILL**, *noun* [See the Verb.]

1. That faculty of the mind by which we determine either to do or forbear an action; the faculty which is exercised in deciding, among two or more objects, which we shall embrace

or pursue. **The will is directed or influenced by the judgment. The understanding or reason compares different objects, which operate as motives; the judgment determines which is preferable, and the will decides which to pursue.** In other words, we reason with respect to the value or importance of things; we then judge which is to be preferred; and we *will* to take the most valuable. These are but different operations of the mind, soul, or intellectual

part of man. Great disputes have existed respecting the freedom of the *will*. *will* is often quite a different thing from desire.

A power over a mans subsistence, amounts to a power over his *will*

**2.** Choice; determination. It is my *will* to prosecute the trespasser. **3.** Choice; discretion; pleasure.

Go, then, the guilty at thy *will* chastise.

**4.** Command; direction.

Our prayers should be according to the *will* of God.

**5.** Disposition; inclination; desire. What is your *will* Sir? In this phrase, the word may also signify determination, especially when addressed to a superior.

**6.** Power; arbitrary disposal.

Deliver me not over to the *will* of my enemies. [Psalms 27:3](#).

**7.** Divine determination; moral purpose or counsel.

Thy *will* be done. Lords Prayer.

**8.** Testament; the disposition of a mans estate, to take effect after his death. Wills are written, or nuncupative, that is, verbal.

Daughters signify the will of a person, in contrast with son which signifies the understanding of a person because the female sex is typically driven on emotion, with lack of reason/ understanding.

Males/sons are described to be the intellectual facet which drives the will to move. Females are typically more intuitive and need less reasons and proof to believe firm truths. The male sex is typically driven on understanding, reason and intellect, therefore sons represent the understanding of doctrine. Both terms however are dependent on one another, because you cannot have understanding and determine a will, and you cannot have a will without an understanding.

There is only **one** understanding, everything else that masquerades itself as understanding is only vain imagination, otherwise known as perception.

("And no marvel; for Satan himself is transformed into an angel of light."- 2 Corinthians 11:14)

We will discuss imagination and the meaning behind it in a separate article.

*1 Timothy 6:5*

*Perverse disputings of men of **corrupt** minds, and **destitute** of the truth, **supposing** that gain is godliness: from such withdraw thyself.*

The word "**corrupt**" is the Greek word - **diaphtheiró (διαφθείρω)** **1311** *diaphtheírō* (from *diá*, "thoroughly," which intensifies *phtheírō*, "defile, corrupt") – properly, *thoroughly* corrupt, *totally* degenerate (disintegrate); waste away by the decaying influence of moral (spiritual) impurity; "*utterly* corrupt"; becoming *thoroughly* disabled (morally depraved), "all the way through" ("utterly decayed"). [Vine, Unger, White (*NT*, 130), (*diaphtheírō*) comes from *dia*, 'through,' 'intensive,' to corrupt utterly, through and through." The noun form, (*diaphthorá*), likewise means "*thorough* decay."]

The word "**destitute**" is the Greek word **apostereó (ἀποστερέω)**

**650** *aposteréō* (from *apó*, "away from" and *stereóō*, "deprive") – properly, keep away from someone, i.e. by *defrauding* (depriving); to cheat, taking away what rightfully belongs to someone else.

The word **supposing** in this verse is **nomizó. (νομίζω)**



The verb "nomizó" is used in the New Testament to express a belief or assumption based on custom, tradition, or common **opinion**. It often conveys the idea of thinking or supposing something to be true, sometimes without full knowledge or certainty. This term can imply a reliance on societal norms or expectations when forming judgments or beliefs.

This is one of my favorite Greek words because it translates down to ***“legalizing your opinion.”***

Remember the biggest obstacle to the truth is the assumption that you already have it.

Supposing what you think over what is true is also a form of idolatry. Idolizing ones own opinion is something we can all be guilty of, but humbling yourself to that of a little child and renewing your mind in the truths of Christ is where we are set free. **(Matt 18:3, Rom 12:2)**

Knowing truth, or possessing the truth is very different from being willing to understand it. It is God alone who gives us understanding.

***The hearing ear, and the seeing eye, the LORD hath made even both of them. Proverbs 20:12 KJV***

When you immerse truths (Sons of God) with lusts (daughters of men), meaning what you want the truths to say, you create a false doctrine- a lie.

Perception often masquerades itself as truth because of the strong persuasion that lust is leading them. Reasoning and understanding are not leading them, only lust, anything from the love of self. The persuasion is “confirmed to be true” because of everything they imagine to be true is further confirmed in favor of them or their

beliefs. **They choose/cherry pick** anything that confirms their lusts, perceptions, and imaginations.

“That the sons of God saw the daughters of men that they were fair; and they took them wives **of all which they chose.**”

When one is selectively choosing something in favor of what they already assume/perceive is the truth, they continue to live in darkness of their own lust or love of self, but remain beguiled in the sense that they have freedom when in reality they are a prisoner. This is called being under the influence of self-love. Anything that confirms your perception that gratifies self is therefore deemed as a “truth”, when in reality, it is no truth at all because the Bible tells us to deny self.

***Then Jesus said unto His disciples, “If any man will come after Me, let him deny himself and take up his cross and follow Me. Matthew 16:24***

There is a perpetual and indissoluble marriage between thought/ understanding and will.

When we think of understanding, the verse that best comes to mind is Hebrews 11:1 which says,

*“Now faith is the substance of things hoped for, the evidence of things not seen.”*

The word **substance** in this verse is where we get the English word **“understanding”** It is the Greek word **hupostasis (ὑπόστασις)**, Derived from the Greek preposition ὑπό

(hupo, meaning **“under”**) and the verb ἵστημι (histēmi, meaning **“to stand”**).

It is used to describe the idea of a **foundational reality, NOT a perception. It refers to the underlying substance or actual being of something as opposed to mere appearance. It is a legal term that describes the title of possession, as in the Lords guarantee to fulfill the faith he in-births us with. Faith is quite literally understanding. THE**

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**understanding. Without faith, that is, without understanding, everything is a mere mirage and perception of what is thought to be true derived from self. There is only one understanding and that is faith and faith is given to us by God. The only good we contain is from God himself.**

*And he that doubteth is damned if he eat, because he eateth not of faith: for whatsoever is not of faith is sin.*

*Romans 14:23 KJV*

Hebrews 11:6 tells us that without faith, that is, without understanding, it is “impossible to please God.”

The word faith is the Greek word **pistis (πίστις)**

This word denotes the ability to trust and stand firm in the truth of something and its reliability. It means to be persuaded or coming to trust in something. Does this sound familiar? When we spoke before about man who lacks understanding and is only persuaded of those things in which fulfills himself or his flesh/lusts... When it comes to faith, however, it is of a divine persuasion, rather than cherry-picking what fulfills your own desires and beliefs. It is steadfast and stable, it does not move to and fro, and no matter what way you examine it, it remains unchanged. It is a divine persuasion of Gods Will which is

not derived from man, rather it is birthed into man from God and God alone.

*For whatsoever is born of God overcometh the world: and this is the victory that overcometh the world, even our faith  
1 John 5:4 KJV*

Faith is always something **received from God and never generated by us**. It is the truth and the only truth and without understanding, that is, without God, we cannot do any good because good only comes from truth and truth only comes from God. It is exclusively given to the believer, and cannot be produced by human effort. This becomes a scary thought on how very little people possess truth in our world, and how most people govern themselves through their own vain perceptions.

*For by grace are ye saved through faith; and that not of yourselves: it is the gift of God: Not of works, lest any man should boast.  
Ephesians 2:8-9*

When reading the scriptures you start to notice the direct correlation between faith prior to will. One must know faith, that is, understanding the Truth, prior to knowing the Will. Observe:

**Romans 12:2,3:** *" And do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind, so that you may prove what the will (2307/thelçma) of God is, that which is good and acceptable and perfect. <sup>3</sup>For through the grace given to me I say to everyone among you not to think more highly of himself than he ought to think; but to think so as to have sound judgment, as God has allotted to each a measure of faith (4102/pistis)"*

**2 Cor 8:5,7:** " And this, not as we had expected, but they first gave themselves to the Lord and to us by the will (2307/thelçma) of God"

7" But just as you abound in everything, in faith (4102/pistis) and utterance and knowledge and in all earnestness and in the love we inspired in you, see that you abound in this gracious work also"

**Heb 10:36,38:** "For you have need of endurance, so that when you have done the will (2307/thelçma) of God, you may receive what was promised"

**So then faith cometh by hearing, and hearing by the word of God.  
Romans 10:17 KJV**

**In summary, the mixing of sons of God and daughters of men in the context of Genesis 6:1-2 is the beginning of a story representing the devastation that comes when we lead through our own perceptions, rather than faith which is the true understanding and only understanding that we receive from God.**