Text: 1 Peter 3

1. The Devil and His Demons Always(!) Submit to Christ - Past, Present, and Future (vv 18-19; Genesis 6:1-4, Jude 6)

^{1 Peter 3:18} For Christ also suffered once for sins, the righteous for the unrighteous, that he might bring us to God, being put to death in the flesh but made alive in the spirit,

¹⁹ in which he went and proclaimed to the spirits in prison,

Genesis 6:1 When man began to multiply on the face of the land and daughters were born to them,

² the sons of God saw that the daughters of man were attractive. And they took as their wives any they chose.

³ Then the LORD said, "My Spirit shall not abide in man forever, for he is flesh: his days shall be 120 years."

⁴ The Nephilim were on the earth in those days, and also afterward, when the sons of God came in to the daughters of man and they bore children to them. These were the mighty men who were of old, the men of renown.

Jude 6 And the angels who did not stay within their own position of authority, but left their proper dwelling, he has kept in eternal chains under gloomy darkness until the judgment of the great day—

2. God is <u>Patient</u> with Sinners...But There's a <u>Limit</u> (v20; 2 Peter 3:9)

^{1 Peter 3:20} because they formerly did not obey, when God's patience waited in the days of Noah, while the ark was being prepared, in which a few, that is, eight persons, were brought safely through water.

^{2 Peter 3:9} The Lord is not slow to fulfill his promise as some count slowness, but is patient toward you, not wishing that any should perish, but that all should reach repentance.

3. Water Baptism Never Saves; Being Baptized "Into" Christ Does! (vv 21-22; 1 Corinthians 12:13)

^{1 Peter 3:21} Baptism, which corresponds to this, now saves you, not as a removal of dirt from the body but as an appeal to God for a good conscience, through the resurrection of Jesus Christ,

²² who has gone into heaven and is at the right hand of God, with angels, authorities, and powers having been subjected to him.

1 Cor. 12:13 For in one Spirit we were all baptized into one body—Jews or Greeks, slaves or free—and all were made to drink of one Spirit.

