

Story 11. God Stops the Tower of Babel
Genesis 11:1-9

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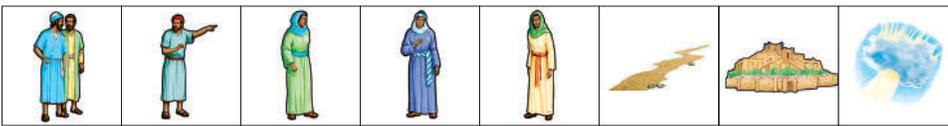


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Many, many years have now passed since the devastation of the flood. And the sons of Noah have increased and multiplied on the earth just as God commanded. In fact, just before the events of this narrative the genealogies of Ham, Shem and Japheth are listed for multiple generations. Traveling as a unified people group, the families move to an area in what is probably modern Iraq and decide to settle there. However their plans to build a city are interrupted when they include the building of a tower commonly known as a ziggurat that becomes the center of false worship.

After the events of this story, God has Moses record a more detailed genealogy of Noah’s son Shem ending with a man named Terah. Terah becomes the father of three sons—the oldest is named Abram. The remaining stories in the Genesis Series revolve around God’s dealings with Abram and his family. But first we have this story...

Now everyone on the whole earth spoke just one language and used the same words.  And it came about,  that as people journeyed from the east,  that they found a plain in the land of Shinar;  and they settled there. 

And the people said to each other, “Let’s go make bricks and thoroughly fire those bricks.”  And they used the brick for stone, and tar for mortar. And the people said, “Let’s build ourselves a city and a tower, whose top will reach to heaven.  And let’s make ourselves a name, so we won’t be scattered across the face of the whole earth.” (Remove)     

And the LORD came down to see the city and the tower which the children of men had built.

And the LORD said,  “Look now, the people are united and they all have the same language, and this is only the beginning of what they are doing. Now nothing will be restrained from them, which they have imagined that they will do.

Now let us go down there, and confuse their language, so that they will not understand one another’s speech.”

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So the LORD scattered the people all over from that place to all over the face of all the earth  —and the people gave up building the city.  Because of that event,  the name of that place is called Babel,

(Remove)   because there the LORD confused the language of all the earth: **(Remove)**    and from there the LORD scattered the people all over the face of all the earth.