God of Wonders: JOURNAL ENTRY #30

Do you see God's actions in confusing the languages as grace or judgment?

When we have great abilities, we have great responsibility. Why do you think God scattered the people?

- 1) He didn't appreciate their dreams or abilities.
- 2) He wanted to teach them to rely on Him.
- 3) He wanted them to fill the earth and become more diverse.

List below some of your goals and dreams. Are they things that will bring you closer to God, or things that will make you great in the eyes of men?

Can you think of a time when God brought circumstances into your life that changed the direction of your life?

If so, did you realize at the time that He was doing something good in your life?

Yes [ ] No [ ]

What does Romans 8:28 promise for those who believe in Jesus?

- 1) That sometimes good will come of my circumstances.
- 2) That often good things will come of my circumstances.
- 3) That good will never come from bad circumstances.
- 4) That He will cause good things to come as a result of every situation in my life.

Think for a moment about how important language is in your life. How many languages are spoken in your home? Your school? Your church? On your sports team?

Faith creates a common language for us. No one needs a translator to hear from God. He speaks to us each in our heart language. Thank Him that You can hear and understand Him. Ask Him to take your dreams and goals and replace them with His dreams and goals for you.

## THE HUMAN FACTOR

Many Bible scholars connect Acts 2 with the events in Genesis 11. In Genesis 11, God scattered people by confusing their language. In Acts 2:5-13, how did He remove the barrier of different languages?

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## Tower of Babel BETWEENTHELINES

HAT DOES IT SAY?

Take some time to read the story of the Tower of Babel in Genesis 11:1-9. Try reading it aloud. If you need an audience, ask a family member to listen.

This story takes place in the plane of Shinar, which would later be known as Babylon. What 2 things did these men want to build?

What abilities did these men have, that made them able to take on such a project? (See Genesis 11:3.)

Long ago, towers were thought to be stairways to heaven. What 2 things were the men trying to do? (See Genesis 11:4.)

What did God do to prevent them from finishing the tower?

## HAT DOES IT MEAN?

What does the desire to build this tower tell you about these men?

- 1) They were talented.
- 2) They were hardworking
- 3) They were ambitious.

What do you think these men expected to find or do, once their tower reached heaven?

Why did God stop them?

- 1) To slow the progression of evil.
- 2) To confuse them.
- 3) To teach them about languages.





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