



At-A-Glance: Ages 6-7  
God of Wonders Part 2: Genesis - Joshua  
Unit 6, Lesson 30

## The Tower of Babel

Lesson Aim: To learn to point to God's greatness instead of our own.

### THE WELCOME

**MEET & GREET:** What is the tallest thing you have ever built?

**GAME:** Mighty Towers

### THE WORSHIP THE GOD WHO PROVIDES

Read Worship Scripture: Ephesians 3:20.

Sing songs and worship God.

Bless and collect the offering.

Perform Bible Barn script or read storybook.

### THE WORD GOD SCATTERED THE BUILDERS

Children sign note cards; place in Golden Bowl. Classroom Covenant.

Review: God provided a way to save Noah and the animals.

**Today, we will read about some people who tried to build a city and tower to make themselves seem important.** Point to Tower of Babel.

**This ancient city was built on a plain in Shinar, which was in Mesopotamia.** Point out Mesopotamia. Reveal Bible Story Scripture Reference: Genesis 11:1-9. Pray. **Listen carefully as we read in Genesis 11:1-9 how God showed the builders of the city and tower of Babel that He is the greatest in all of heaven and earth.**

### THE WAY WE CAN POINT TO GOD'S GREATNESS

**At the beginning of the story, how many languages were on earth?** (One.) **What did the people decide to do?** (Build a city and tower tall enough to reach the heavens.) **What were the two reasons they wanted to build it?** (To make a name for themselves, so they were not scattered.) **The builders wanted to be famous. They wanted to show their own greatness by building a city with a tower so high it reached the heavens.**

**Was God pleased with what they were doing?** (No.) **How did God show the people He is greater than everyone and everything?** (He confused their language, so they could not work together.) **What did the builders do?** (They could not understand each other, so they had to stop building. They had to scatter, just as God planned.)

**They built the city and tower so they would have a place to live and not be scattered. After the flood, God's plan was to fill the earth with people. The people's plan to build was against His plan. Did God's plan work or the people's plan?** (God's plan.) **God's plans always work, because He is the greatest one in heaven and earth.**

**What is one of the greatest things you think God has ever done?**

### **CHRIST CONNECTION:**

**God does not want us to do things just to show how wonderful we are or to brag about our own greatness. Thousands of years after God stopped this building project, Paul explains the only type of bragging God allows.** Reveal 2 Corinthians 10:17. Read.

Give each child a building block from THE WELCOME game. **I've given each of you a building block. See what you can build together. Before you add your block, acknowledge God by naming something wonderful He has done in your life. Complete this sentence out loud: "God is great. He \_\_\_\_\_." For example, "God is great. He gave me friends," or "He made me a fast runner," or "He helped me do well in school." Let's build a tower of worship together.** If time allows, give the children more blocks and continue building together.

**THE GOLDEN BOWL:** Pray for individuals. Pray the Lord's Prayer.

### **FINAL FIVE MINUTES:**

- TREASURE TREAT: Toy building block
- DAILY WAY CHALLENGE
- OFFERING OF ART: The tower of Babel
- PRAYER REQUESTS
- BIBLE MEMORY VERSE SONG

### GOT TIME?

**SNACK:** Alphabet Mix-up Cookies

**GAME:** Four Corners of the Earth

**CRAFT:** Built for God

**DISCUSSION:** Be Careful How You Build

**BIBLE MEMORY VERSE ACTIVITIES:** The Wave, Yahweh—Trust in the Lord

**BIBLE TIMELINE REVIEW**