



At-A-Glance: Ages 8-9
God of Wonders Part 2: Genesis - Joshua
Unit 6, Lesson 30

The Tower of Babel

Lesson Aim: To challenge children to acknowledge God in all their ways.

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. Find It First. Highlight Key Verse: Genesis 11:4.

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 IN ALL YOUR WAYS ACKNOWLEDGE HIM

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?** (To make a name for themselves, so they were not scattered.)

What did God do to stop the building of the tower? (He confused their language, so they could not work together.) **God showed everyone who was the greatest of all when He stopped the building of the tower of Babel. The builders weren't acknowledging Him in all their ways.**

What does it mean to "acknowledge God in all your ways?" To acknowledge is to give someone credit for who they are and what they have done. Have you ever taken credit for something God did through you?

Like the builders, we often want the credit for our accomplishments. Who makes our accomplishments possible? (God.) The builders made a plan for how they would become famous. Have you ever hoped to become famous? God is the only one who can make us famous in a way that is good and pleasing to Him. Do think you can trust God to decide how others will know your name? How can you trust God this week?

What do you think God wants from us as we build great buildings or do other amazing things? God wants us to be humble instead of prideful.

CHRIST CONNECTION:

Thousands of years after the people began building the tower of Babel, Jesus came and showed us the perfect example of how to be humble. Let's read how God honored Jesus for being humble. Reveal Philippians 2:9-11. Find It First. Highlight. Read.

What did God do for Jesus? (God made Him famous and Lord over all.) **Jesus was very humble. He did not brag that He was God's Son. God wants us to be humble too. We must trust Him, pointing others to Him and not to our own accomplishments.**

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

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