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CHILD LESSON 2

## The Sin of the Nations





พระเจ้าทรงรักคุณ *Dieu* God houdt van je  
*Dios te ama* vous aime אלוהים אוהב אותך  
 神はあなたを愛して *Gott liebt dich*

# God said, "Spread out." They said, "Build up!"

Last week we learned that all nations/people groups have four things in common: Lineage, Language, Laws, and Land. We also learned that, today, the earth has over 7 billion people living on it. About 4,000 years ago, God started His chosen nation, Israel, with a man named Abraham. But what about the other nations on earth? Where did they begin?

Over the thousands of years since Noah and the flood, nations have continued to split off from each other and regroup into new nations due to things such as the need to find food and to search for more land. Remember, God's plan was for Noah and his family to scatter out all over the earth, but one of Noah's great grandsons, Nimrod, had another plan. He wanted to build a great city with a tower and keep all his nation/family together. It's in Genesis 11 that we learn about the biggest nation-splitter of them all.



It all happened at the Tower of Babel. You know, babel, like when you hear a baby trying to talk, but he doesn't know any real words. Remember, an important part of being a nation is that everyone speaks the same language. Also, remember that Noah's family all spoke the same language, and, at one time, they were the only nation on earth.

One of Noah's sons was Ham. He sinned against God in Genesis Chapter 9, and a curse came upon his family because of it. Ham's family continued to make bad decisions. In fact, his grandson, Nimrod, tried to build a big city with a tower that could reach up to heaven. God did not want everyone to stay together in one city. They were supposed to spread out around the world. This is where the language part comes in. The Bible says that God confused their languages. That means that right in the middle of building their tower, all of a sudden, only certain people could understand certain people. Everyone else sounded like they were babel-ing like babies! Before too long, everyone who spoke the same language gathered together and traveled to new lands to start new nations with people like themselves.



Many of these new nations continued to make bad decisions that were against God. They even had a bad influence on nations that were not part of the Tower of Babel. Several years later, God found a faithful man named Abraham, and, as we learned last week, he is the one who God promised to use to start the holy nation of Israel. It is through Israel that the Savior, Jesus, came to bless all nations. Next week we'll talk about all of those nations/people groups that are scattered all over the earth today.

## From the Bible:

*"So the LORD scattered them abroad from thence upon the face of all the earth: and they left off to build the city. Therefore is the name of it called Babel; because the LORD did there confound the language of all the earth: and from thence did the LORD scatter them abroad upon the face of all the earth."* Genesis 11:8, 9

## Words to Know:

- Babel** – to make sounds with your mouth that have no meaning
- Confound** – to confuse or mix up
- Nimrod** – Ham's grandson who tried to build a big city that would reach up to God
- Curse** – to announce misfortune or doom on someone
- Scatter** – to cause to be spread out