

THE TOWER OF BABEL

Genesis Series – Study # 12

Text: Genesis 10:1-11:9

The Table of Nations (10:1-32)

1. Focuses on how humanity divided into different _____ after the flood
2. The tower of Babel story is from the _____ of the period covered in this chapter
3. Insights about Noah's descendants
 - A. Descendants of Japheth – settled primarily in Europe & _____
 - B. Descendants of Ham – settled primarily in North _____, southern Arabia & on the eastern Mediterranean coast
 - C. Descendants of Shem – settled primarily in _____ & northern Arabia

The Tower of Babel (11:1-9)

1. The story
 - A. The problem (11:1-4)
 - The people wanted to establish their own _____ apart from the Lord.
 - They were not “_____ the earth.”
 - If not checked, their ambition would allow human wickedness to _____ in unimaginable ways.

B. The solution (11:5-9)

- God thwarted their plans by confusing their _____ and dispersing them over the face of the earth.

Babylon becomes a symbol of humanity's _____ (fueled by arrogance & idolatry) to dethrone God and make the earth its _____. (Revelation 17-18)

2. The meaning of the story

- A. They lived doing what _____ wanted, not what God wanted.
- B. They lived in their _____ strength.
- C. They lived for their _____ glory.

3. The application of the story

- A. This story reflects the story of Adam & Eve and their _____.
- B. This story reflects the history of _____ rebelling against God.
- C. This story is the _____ of what God calls us to do.
 - 1) Follow God's _____, not your own.
 - 2) Live by God's _____, not your own.
 - 3) Do everything for God's _____, not your own. (Matthew 6:9-13)