



The Tower of Babel

Genesis 11:1-9

1. _____ to Move

God's command was to go and fill the earth – to subdue it. The command of God never changed, the condition of men did. And what seems to be a great start to the fulfillment of that command turns horribly wrong soon after.

Luke 18:23 ~ But when he heard these things, he became very sad, for he was extremely rich.

2. _____ toward God

The great rebellion of Babel was not the structure itself, but the pride and arrogance from which it sprang. But that is where all rebellion occurs – in a heart of pride. And, today, we are as much at risk of building our own towers as they were.

Proverbs 16:18 ~ Pride goes before destruction, and a haughty spirit before a fall.

3. _____ of Trouble

This is only the beginning! What mankind proposes to do in rebellion toward God, in pride and arrogance, will thrive in the united gatherings of the human race. The deepest darkness of mankind is often found where they share a common voice against God.

Romans 1:32 ~ Though they know God's righteous decree that those who practice such things deserve to die, they not only do them but give approval to those who practice them.

4. _____ of God

There is often a sense that God punished mankind with the confusion of languages. Could it be that God spared them from a deeper rebellion and dispersed them as His command required? Both judgment and mercy are at play in this scenario.

Leviticus 26:15-16 ~ "If you spurn my statutes, and if your soul abhors my rules, so that you will not do all my commandments, but break my covenant, then I will do this to you: I will visit you with panic..."

1 Samuel 15:22

And Samuel said, "Has the LORD as great delight in burnt offerings and sacrifices, as in obeying the voice of the LORD? Behold, to obey is better than sacrifice, and to listen than the fat of rams."



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Additional Scripture References
(And Rabbit Trails Bible Study)

Acts 7:51

"You stiff-necked people, uncircumcised in heart and ears, you always resist the Holy Spirit. As your fathers did, so do you."

Numbers 14:3-4

"Why is the Lord bringing us into this land, to fall by the sword? Our wives and our little ones will become a prey. Would it not be better for us to go back to Egypt?" And they said to one another, "Let us choose a leader and go back to Egypt."

Joshua 24:15

"And if it is evil in your eyes to serve the Lord, choose this day whom you will serve, whether the gods your fathers served in the region beyond the River, or the gods of the Amorites in whose land you dwell. But as for me and my house, we will serve the Lord."

Judges 21:25

In those days there was no king in Israel. Everyone did what was right in his own eyes.

1 Kings 22:13

And the messenger who went to summon Micaiah said to him, "Behold, the words of the prophets with one accord are favorable to the king. Let your word be like the word of one of them, and speak favorably."

Acts 17:5

But the Jews were jealous, and taking some wicked men of the rabble, they formed a mob, set the city in an uproar, and attacked the house of Jason, seeking to bring them out to the crowd.

Acts 8:1

And there arose on that day a great persecution against the church in Jerusalem, and they were all scattered throughout the regions of Judea and Samaria, except the apostles.

Hebrews 12:10

For they disciplined us for a short time as it seemed best to them, but he disciplines us for our good, that we may share his holiness.