

EPISODE NO. 10

Gen. 11:1-9

God Confused Their Language

1 At first, the people of the whole world had only one language. They shared the same set of words. 2 As they moved around from the East, they found a valley in the Shinar area and they settled there. 3 They said to each other, “Come on, let us make bricks and make them hard by baking them!” So, instead of natural stones, they used bricks for building, and they used tar to hold the bricks together. 4 They said, “Come on, let us build a city for ourselves. Let’s build a tower, too. It will reach to the sky! Then we can make ourselves famous and NOT be scattered all over the world.”

5 Then the Always-Present One came down to take a look at the city and the tower which those people had built. 6 The Always-Present One said, “Look, these people are united and they speak one language. This is only the beginning of what they will try to do. Soon they will think that they will be able to do anything they want! 7 Come, We must go down there and confuse their language, so that they cannot understand one another.”

8 So, the Always-Present One scattered them over the face of the earth. They had to stop building the city. 9 That is why the city was named Babel, because there the Always-Present One confused the language of the whole world. From that place, the Always-Present One scattered the people everywhere — all over the earth.