

## Genesis 11:1-9 English Standard Version (ESV)

### The Tower of Babel

**1** Now the whole earth had one language and the same words. **2** And as people migrated from the east, they found a plain in the land of Shinar and settled there. **3** And they said to one another, “Come, let us make bricks, and burn them thoroughly.” And they had brick for stone, and bitumen for mortar. **4** Then they said, “Come, let us build ourselves a city and a tower with its top in the heavens, and let us make a name for ourselves, lest we be dispersed over the face of the whole earth.” **5** And the Lord came down to see the city and the tower, which the children of man had built. **6** And the Lord said, “Behold, they are one people, and they have all one language, and this is only the beginning of what they will do. And nothing that they propose to do will now be impossible for them. **7** Come, let us go down and there confuse their language, so that they may not understand one another’s speech.” **8** So the Lord dispersed them from there over the face of all the earth, and they left off building the city. **9** Therefore its name was called Babel, because there the Lord confused[a] the language of all the earth. And from there the Lord dispersed them over the face of all the earth.

### Footnotes:

- **Genesis 11:9** *Babel* sounds like the Hebrew for *confused*

### Questions:

1. What is wrong with the people wanting to make a name for themselves by building a city and a tower?  
  
Did the people honor God in their desire to make a name for themselves? Explain
2. How did God change their plans according to verses 6-8?
3. How do you make a name for yourself?
4. According to the last part of the video how has God given us hope?
5. Explain how Jesus has rescued you from your sin.