

## HELLO FROM ONE MISSOULA CHURCH

God has created and called you to so much more than what we settle for in our culture. Our sincere desire is to see you fulfill your design, start chasing God's calling on your life, and never look back. Along the way, our commitment to you is that we will always speak the truth as God revealed it in the Bible without sugar-coating it so you like us or distorting it to match what our imploding culture thinks it should say. Lastly, know that we have a "whatever-it-takes" mentality to seeing you and your loved ones flourish in all God made you to be. If there is anything we can do or any question we can answer, please let us know via the Connection Card, our app, by email at [info@onemissoulchurch.com](mailto:info@onemissoulchurch.com).

## SERMON ZOOM

Join Pastor Brad as he hosts a 75 minute roundtable discussion of this week's message on Zoom this Tuesday night from 8:00p to 9:15p (MST). This is good place for clarifications, questions, and challenges (as long as you have manners). Please RSVP for the invite link via the Connect Card or by emailing [info@onemissoulchurch.com](mailto:info@onemissoulchurch.com).

## ONEKIDS VOLUNTEERS

Are you a person thinking, "Man, I just can't WAIT to be asked to step up and serve in this Super Awesome Church"? We just love your enthusiasm, and think you're exactly what we are looking for in our kid's ministry! You might not know this, but our kids here at One Missoula Church make up about 40% of the people who come here to experience God. We absolutely treasure the privilege to partner with parents to help their kids become disciples who make disciples, beginning right in their own homes.

That's where you come in! In order to continue to make this a safe and engaging environment for our kids, we ask you to prayerfully consider joining our team. We have openings anywhere from being a smiling face while checking kids in and greeting those families, to cuddling babies, or jumping around and playing games to teach kids about living a life on mission with Jesus. Would you consider learning more and trying out a Sunday in our ONEKIDS environment to see if God is calling you to serve? If yes, please fill out a connect card here in service, email us at [kids@onemissoulchurch.com](mailto:kids@onemissoulchurch.com), or talk to a kid's ministry volunteer after service. (They're the ones in the bright blue shirts having a blast.)



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# ONE + BEYOND THE FIVE

Week 7: Babel Backstory Part 2

**First century Bible-writing missionary Paul uses the word "demons" in only three Bible verses ([1 Corinthians 10:20,21](#); [1 Timothy 4:1](#)). The rest of the time, he uses language of geographical domain authority (examples: [Ephesians 1:20–21](#); [2:2](#); [3:10](#); [Colossians 2:15](#))**

*[Ephesians 6:12](#) - For we do not wrestle against flesh and blood, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the cosmic powers over this present darkness, against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly places.*

**When the Babel-builders refused to image Yahweh and be what He made them to be ([Genesis 11:1-9](#)), He broke them into 70 nations ([Genesis 10](#)) and allotted them to the stewardship of the sons of God**

*[Deuteronomy 32:8–9](#) - When the Most High gave to the nations their inheritance, when he divided mankind, he fixed the borders of the peoples according to the number of the sons of God.<sup>9</sup> But the Lord's portion is his people, Jacob his allotted heritage.*

*[Deuteronomy 29:26](#) - And they went and served other gods and bowed down to them, gods whom they did not know them and he had not allotted to them. (See also [Deuteronomy 4:19–20](#) defined with [Deuteronomy 17:2–3](#))*

**This doesn't mean that Yahweh abandoned those nations. He is loving and patient and chooses Israel (Abram's descendants) as the nations' way back to Him**

*[Genesis 12:1–3](#) - And Yahweh said to Abram, "Go out from your land and from your relatives, and from the house of your father, to the land that I will show you."<sup>2</sup> And I will make you a great nation, and I will bless you, and I will make your name great. And you will be a blessing.<sup>3</sup> And I will bless those who bless you, and those who curse you I will curse. And all families of the earth will be blessed in you."*

**Where else does the Bible confirm the idea of Yahweh delegating legitimate authority of the nations over to other *elohim* ("gods")?**

*[Matthew 4:8–10](#) - Again, the devil took him to a very high mountain and showed him all the kingdoms of the world and their glory.<sup>9</sup> And he said to him, "All these I will give you, if you will fall down and worship me."<sup>10</sup> Then Jesus said to him, "Be gone, Satan! For it is written, " 'You shall worship the Lord your God and him only shall you serve.' "*

*[Daniel 10:20–21](#) -Then he said, "Do you know why I have come to you? But now I will return to fight against the prince of Persia; and when I go out, behold, the prince of Greece will come.<sup>21</sup> But I will tell you what is inscribed in the book of truth: there is none who contends by my side against these except Michael, your prince. (define with [Revelation 12:7](#))*

**How did the supernatural sons of God do in stewarding God's human family back to Him?**

*[Psalm 82:1–8](#) - God has taken his place in the divine council; in the midst of the gods he holds judgment.<sup>2</sup> "How long will you judge unjustly and show partiality to the wicked? Selah<sup>3</sup> Give justice to the weak and the fatherless; maintain the right of the afflicted and the destitute.<sup>4</sup> Rescue the weak and the needy; deliver them from the hand of the wicked."<sup>5</sup> They have neither knowledge nor understanding, they walk about in darkness; all the foundations of the earth are*

shaken. <sup>6</sup> I said, “You are gods, sons of the Most High, all of you; <sup>7</sup> nevertheless, like men you shall die, and fall like any prince.” <sup>8</sup> Arise, O God, judge the earth; for you shall inherit all the nations!

**What is the future destiny of all treasonous *elohim* (“gods”) and the humans who follow them?**

Matthew 25:41 - “Then he will say to those on his left, ‘Depart from me, you cursed, into the eternal fire prepared for the devil and his angels.’”

**REFLECTION POINT: “Who am I to judge another person’s religion or beliefs?” NO ONE! That is not your role. Rejecting Yahweh and the One He sent (Jesus) and giving allegiance to false gods has already been judged.**

John 3:16–18 - “For God so loved the world, that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes (pisteo = gives pistis) in him should not perish but have eternal life. <sup>17</sup> For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him. <sup>18</sup> Whoever believes (pisteo) in him is not condemned, but whoever does not believe (pisteo) is condemned already, because he has not believed in the name of the only Son of God.”

**The authority over the nations is stripped from the unfaithful spiritual beings (*elohim*) and given to Jesus the Christ at His death, burial, resurrection, and enthronement**

John 12:31–32 – “Now is the judgment of this world; now will the ruler of this world be cast out. <sup>32</sup> And I, when I am lifted up from the earth, will draw all people to myself.”

Ephesians 1:19–21 - and what is the immeasurable greatness of his power toward us who believe, according to the working of his great might <sup>20</sup> that he worked in Christ when he raised him from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly places, <sup>21</sup> far above all rule and authority and power and dominion, and above every name that is named, not only in this age but also in the one to come.

**Who are the children of God now?**

- Adam was God’s son (Luke 3:38) and was unfaithful (Genesis 3:6).
- Supernatural members of God’s divine council were the sons of God and some were unfaithful (Psalms 82).
- Israel was God’s son (Exodus 4:22; Hosea 11:1) and was unfaithful (Deuteronomy 32:15-19).
- Jesus the Christ came as the ultimate true Son of God (Matthew 3:17; 15:5) and was finally perfectly faithful (Philippians 2:5-7).
- What about you and me?

John 1:12–13 - But to all who did receive him, who believed in his name, he gave the right to become children of God, <sup>13</sup> who were born, not of blood nor of the will of the flesh nor of the will of man, but of God.

**Just like the other children of God throughout the Bible, we have an assignment and a mission to grow the family of God**

Matthew 28:18–20 -And Jesus came and said to them, “All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. <sup>19</sup> Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, <sup>20</sup> teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you. And behold, I am with you always, to the end of the age.”

**REFLECTION POINT: How is my life measuring up to the command to make disciples and bring others into God’s family?**

**AS A RESULT OF WHAT GOD HAS SHOWN ME TODAY, I WILL:**

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