



PARENT HANDOUT



Scriptures to Read: Genesis 11:1-9



This Week We Learned About ...

...the Tower of Babel from Genesis 11, which teaches students about haughtiness and how not to let your ambition come from vanity. Rather, it should come from love of God and each other. It's a great thing to build up the Kingdom of God on earth. It's quite another thing to build to the kingdom of God! The main character in the Tower of Babel story, Nimrod, great-grandson of Noah, did a lot of great things. But none of it should have inspired him to think he could build a tower to heaven. And what? Barge on in? God welcomes all who want to come into his kingdom. His love is the ladder, as this lesson will show.



✓ Questions for Kids:


1. What did they use instead of mortar? **A. Bricks**
2. What were the people trying to reach with their tower? **A. Heaven**
3. How did God punish them? **A. He scattered them.**

✓ Dinner Table Discussion:


God was disappointed in the people for relying on themselves instead of him. Can you think of a real-life situation where you need to rely on God more? Discuss your situation.

What does it mean to be haughty? What about humble? Can you give examples from school or a personal experience of both?


Scripture Notes (tuck in lunchboxes, tape to mirrors, etc.):



When pride comes, then comes disgrace, but with humility comes wisdom.
Proverbs 11:2



But, "Let the one who boasts boast in the Lord." For it is not the one who commends himself who is approved, but the one whom the Lord commends.
2 Corinthians 10:17-18



Before a downfall the heart is haughty, but humility comes before honor.
Proverbs 18:12