

God-Centered Unity



The Lord saw that the wickedness of humankind was great in the earth, and that every inclination of the thoughts of their hearts was only evil continually. And the Lord was sorry that he had made humankind on the earth, and it grieved him to his heart.

- Genesis 6:5-6 NRSV

*And you, be fruitful and multiply,
abound on the earth
and multiply in it.*

- Genesis 9:7 NRSV

Genesis 11:1-9

Now the whole earth had one language and the same words. And as they migrated from the east, they came upon a plain in the land of Shinar and settled there. And they said to one another, "Come, let us make bricks, and burn them thoroughly."

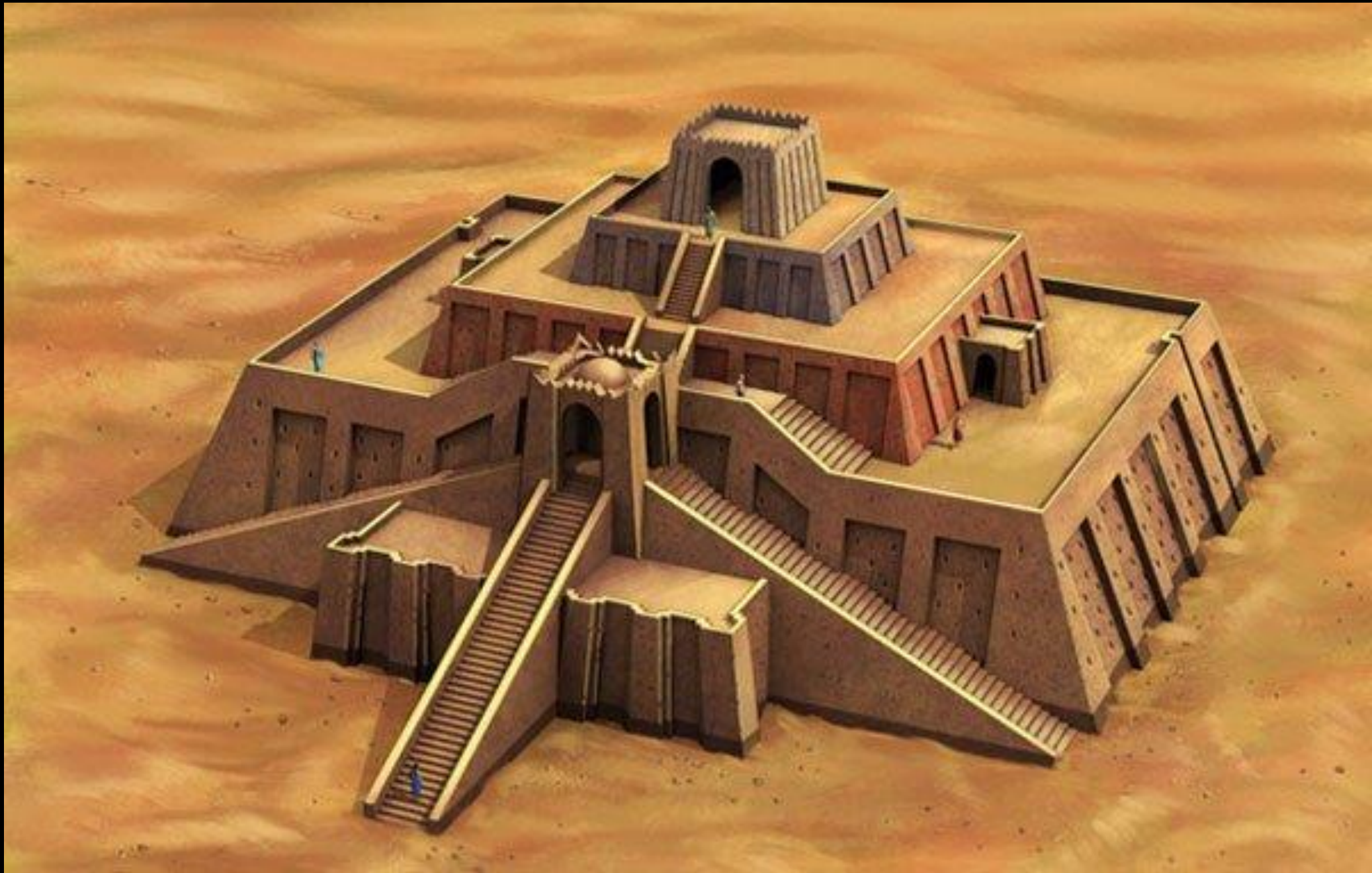
And they had brick for stone, and bitumen for mortar. Then they said, "Come, let us build ourselves a city, and a tower with its top in the heavens, and let us make a name for ourselves; otherwise we shall be scattered abroad upon the face of the whole earth."

The Lord came down to see the city and the tower, which mortals had built. And the Lord said, "Look, they are one people, and they have all one language; and this is only the beginning of what they will do; nothing that they propose to do will now be impossible for them.

*Come, let us go down, and confuse
their language there, so that they
will not understand one another's
speech.” So the Lord scattered
them abroad from there
over the face of all the earth,
and they left off building the city.*

*Therefore it was called Babel,
because there the Lord confused the
language of all the earth; and from
there the Lord scattered them abroad
over the face of all the earth.*

- Genesis 11:1-9 NRSV



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This righteousness is given through faith in Jesus Christ to all who believe. There is no difference between Jew and Gentile, for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God, and all are justified freely by his grace through the redemption that came by Christ Jesus.

- Romans 3:22-24 NIV

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