

Lesson No. (4)

The Tower of Babylon

References:

Genesis 11:1-9.

Notes for Servants

- ★ Pride and arrogance are the major sins which deprive us from grace. Through pride and arrogance Satan and Adam fell, and the language of the people was confused, thus they formed nations and different societies.
- ★ The Lord confused their language so that they may not do evil. The confusion of the language was a punishment to them for their pride and arrogance, but at the time the Lord changed this for the benefit of the human race and made them form peoples that fill the world. Arrogance divided humanity into nations and languages, and the Holy Spirit made the disciples talk in other languages and they will gather together in complete unity before the Lord Jesus. (Rev. 7:9)

Objectives

General: Do not be arrogant.

Specific:

The children will be able to

- A. Understand that God is Humble and hates pride.
- B. Know that whatever we have (wisdom, good looks, money, ... etc.) is from Him, so we should not be proud of anything, because as He gave it to us He may take it back.
- C. Learn that when Jesus died on the cross He opened heaven for us.

Bible Verse

" Learn of me; for I am meek and lowly in heart. "

(Matthew 11:29)

Teaching Aids

1. Felt figure and flannel board.
 2. A picture of the tower of Babylon.
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Instruction

- (1) Review last week's lesson.
- (2) Who remembers the verse?
- (3) Remind the children about the church occasions for the coming week.

Story Time

1. What sacrifice did Cain and Abel offer to God?
2. What did Cain do to his brother Abel?
3. What was the result of that?
4. How many languages did Noah and his sons know?

The whole earth had one language and the people used the same words. And as men migrated from the east, they found a plain in the land of Shinar and settled there. And they said to one another, "Come, let's make bricks, and burn them thoroughly." And they had bricks for stones, 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, lest we should be scattered abroad upon the face of the whole earth." And the Lord came down to see the city and the tower, which the sons of men had built. And the Lord said, "Behold they are the 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. Come let us go down, and there confuse their language, that they may not understand one another's speech."

1. Where did the people go
2. What did they say to one another?
3. What are bricks made of
4. What did they aim at?
5. What happened after the building had been raised?
6. Why did the Lord confuse their language?
7. Did they understand each other's language?

They stopped work and they could not complete the building, and the Lord scattered them abroad from there over the face of all the earth, and they stopped building the city. Therefore its name was called Babel, because there the Lord confused the language of all the earth.

1. Is it possible to build a tower the top of which can reach heaven?
2. Why did the act of building stop?
3. Why was the city called Babel?

Discussion

- 1 - Follow up the story by talking about it with the children.
- 2 - Continue the discussion while they do the activity.

Learning Activities

Activity Sheet.