

PRIDE AND THE TOWER OF BABEL

After the flood, people began to multiply. They all spoke one language. It wasn't long before the people decided to do something evil. "Let us build a tower that reaches up to heaven," they said. "We will make a name for ourselves and not be scattered all over the earth!" Yahweh was not happy with



this display of pride among the people, so He implemented a plan to confuse their languages. No one could understand one another, therefore they had to stop their building project. When they spoke to one another, it sounded like they were babbling. Babel means "confusion."

Pride can be a very destructive thing. It is the opposite of humbleness, which we are expected to practice. Pride makes us think that we are more important than anyone else. Selfishness also stems from pride. Think about the last time you disobeyed your parents.

Did pride have anything to do with it? They may have forbidden you to do something for your own good. But you may have felt that what you wanted was more important than obeying them. You probably learned a difficult and painful lesson, didn't you?

Yahweh, of course, expects us to treat others the way we desire to be treated. This has been called the "golden rule." Our lives go better when we are committed to practicing Yahweh's way of life. He knows what is best for us. Let us never allow pride to get in the way of obedience!

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That is why it was called Babel — because there Yahweh confused the language of the whole world. From there Yahweh scattered them over the face of the whole earth.

Genesis 11:9 NIV

ANSWER THIS!

- 1. A long time ago, how many languages did all the people speak?
- A. one
- B. six
- C. ten
- D. fourteen
- 2. Why did the people want to build a tower?
- A. To honor Yahweh
- B. To make a name for themselves
- C. To prevent being scattered all over the earth
- D. B and C are correct



- A. He sent the flood.
- B. He sent fire and brimstone
- C. He confused their languages so they couldn't understand each other
- D. He poured out the bowls of wrath
- 4. What was their main sin?
- A. Insecurity
- B. Pride
- C. Jealousy
- D. Fear
- 5. What does "Babel" mean?
- A. Confusion
- B. Shame
- С. Нарру
- D. Love





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