

5. Tower of Babel

Introduction: In the previous story, we heard about the flood and how God made an agreement with all living things that He would not use the flood to destroy the whole world again.

All living things that could fly in the air, and walk on land, increased in number on the land again. (Genesis:8–11)

There were more and more offspring from Noah's three sons. (Genesis 10:32) When these descendants were moving towards the direction of sunrise, they found a very large piece of flat land, and they stayed there. (Genesis 11:2)

At that time, everyone in the world spoke in the same language and dialect. (Genesis 11:1)

The people said, "Come! Let us build a city and a tower here. This tower will be very, very tall so as to reach the sky. Then that our name will be famous, and we will not have to spread out to different places all over the earth." (Genesis 11:4)

When God saw what men wanted to do, He decided to confuse their language, so they would have to spread out to different places to live. (Genesis 11:5–7)

Because they spoke different languages and couldn't understand each other, they stopped building the city and the tower. From there, they began to spread out to different places in the world. (Genesis 11:7–9)

Therefore, that city was named Babel which means confused. (Genesis 11:9)