

The Tower of Babel

Genesis 10-11

The story of the Tower of Babel precedes chronologically the ethnological table given in Genesis 10. The ethnological table sets before us the completeness of the dispersion of mankind; the story of the Tower of Babel explains the cause of that dispersion. - *John Philips*

The Problem

- I. Their _____ were _____ (11:1-3)
- II. Their _____ was _____ (11:4a)
- III. Their _____ was _____ (11:4b)
- IV. Their _____ was _____ (11:5-9)

The Principles

- 1. _____

- 2. _____

- 3. _____

- 4. _____

- 5. _____

The significance of this little story is great. It explains to God's people how the nations were scattered abroad. Yet the import goes much deeper . . . The new nation of Israel need only survey the many nations around her to perceive that God disperses and curses the rebellious, bringing utter confusion and antagonism among them. If Israel would obey and submit to God's will, then she would be the source of blessing to the world.

Unfortunately, Israel also raised her head in pride and refused to obey the Lord God. Thus she too was scattered across the face of the earth.

- *Alan P. Ross*