

Journal Page



- What does this story teach me about God or the gospel?
- What does this story teach me about myself?
- Are there any commands in this story to obey? How are they for God's glory and my good?
- Are there any promises in this story to remember? How do they help me trust and love God?
- How does this story help me to live on mission better?

FAMILY DISCUSSION STARTERS

- What are ways we seek glory for ourselves?
- Why does God deserve all the glory?
- How can we bring glory to God?

The Tower of Babel

Genesis 11

STORY POINT: PEOPLE TRIED TO BUILD A TOWER TO GLORIFY THEMSELVES INSTEAD OF GOD.

After the great flood, God told Noah and his sons to grow their families and fill the earth. Noah's sons and their wives had children, and the people started to travel through the land.

One day, the people traveled through a valley. They decided to stay.

"We don't want to be scattered all over the earth," they said. "Let's build a city and a tower so big that it touches the sky. The tower will make us famous!"

The people were not doing what God had told them to do. They were saying "Look how great we are," instead of "Look how great God is." But God is greater than anyone. God created people to give glory to Him alone.

The people used stones to start building the tower.

God came down to look at the tower. God said, "They will keep thinking up more bad things to do." So God mixed up the people's words. Everyone spoke different languages.

When people tried to make plans, they could not understand what other people were saying. The people had to stop building the city. Families had to move away from each other to live with people they could understand. The city with the unfinished tower was called Babel.

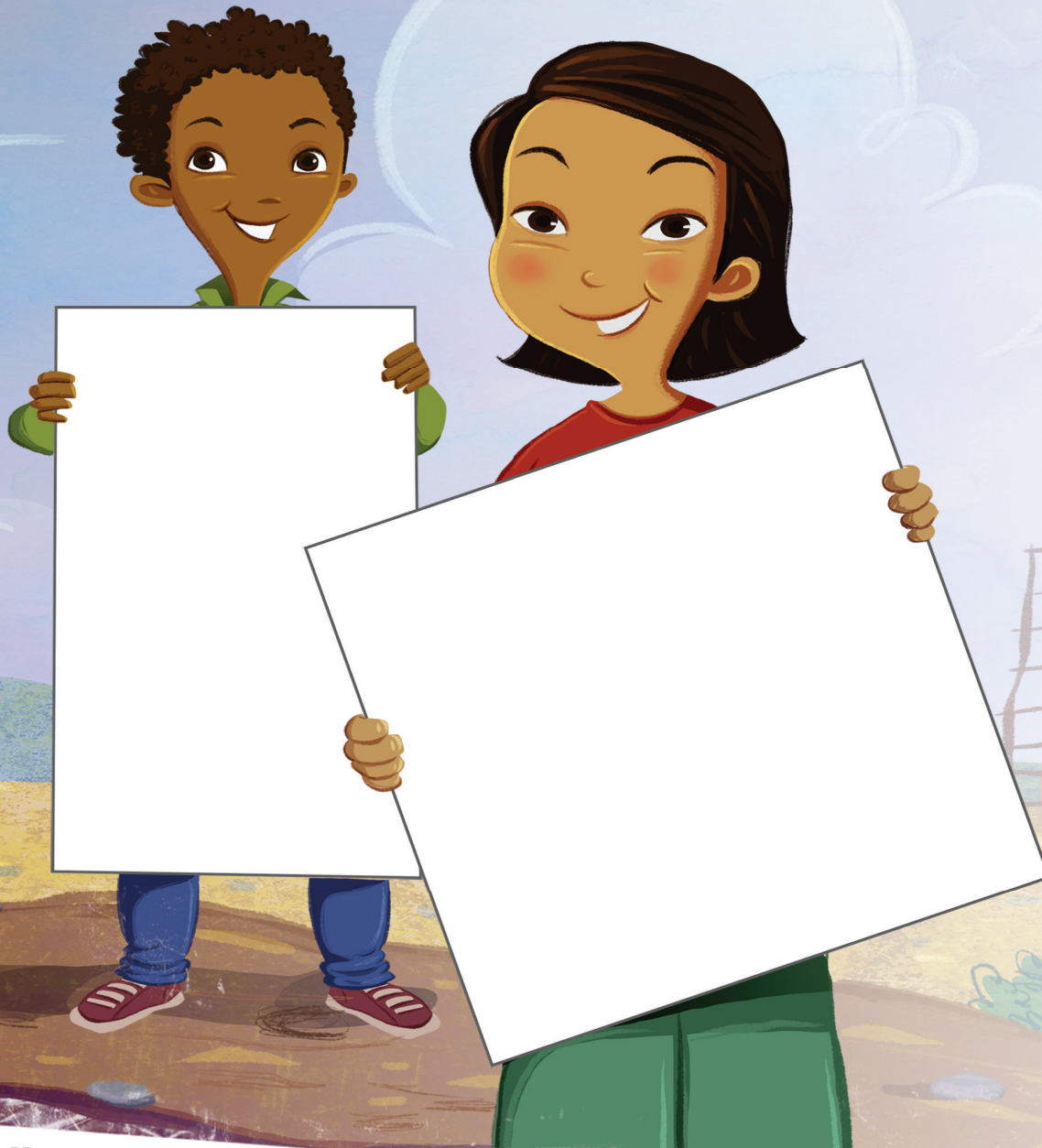
Christ Connection: People chose to give glory to themselves instead of God. They ignored God's plan, so God confused their language and scattered the people all over the earth. One day, Jesus will gather together all of God's people—people from every tribe and people who speak all kinds of languages—and they will worship Him together. (Revelation 7:9-10)



FOLD

Made Famous

What do you want everyone to know about you? Write words or draw pictures in the space below.



True or False?

Circle whether each statement is true or false. Read Genesis 11:1-9 to check your answers and correct the false statements.

1. At one time, everyone on earth spoke the same language.

TRUE **FALSE**

2. The people cut wooden planks to build with.

TRUE **FALSE**

3. The people wanted to build an island for themselves.

TRUE **FALSE**

4. The people did not want to be scattered throughout the earth.

TRUE **FALSE**

5. God confused the people's language and scattered them throughout the earth.

TRUE **FALSE**