**Remember Your Creator – Gen 11: 4**

**Focal Truth: God controls prideful nations accomplishing His purposes through Jesus Christ**

**Observations**

1. **Sinful man’s ambition – 11:3 -4**

*Come let us make bricks…Come let us build for ourselves a city, and a tower whose top will reach into heaven, and let us make for ourselves a name….*

* 1. Sinful mankind traveled further east away from Eden toward Babylon!

Babylon – the city of man’s rebellion against God – the city of the worship of mankind

* 1. Sinful mankind prideful ambitions - Let Us

1. Let’s us make bricks
2. Let’s build a city – a universal city
3. Let’s build a tower to heaven – **a tower of universal religious worship**
4. Let’s make a name for ourselves – fame, renown

* A name for ourselves – selfish pride – making ourselves Gods
* Adam & Eve ate the forbidden fruit – desired to be God

Gen. 4:23 -24 – *Lamech said to his wives…listen to my voice…give heed to my speech, for I have killed a man for wounding me, and a boy for striking me, if Cain is avenged sevenfold then Lamech seventy – seven fold – the pride of man*

Gen. 6:4 – *the mighty men were on the earth in those days…mighty men of renown*

Gen 10:9 - *Nimrod was mighty hunter before the Lord, there it is said, like Nimrod a might hunter before the Lord. The beginning of his kingdom was Babel…*

**Rom. 1:25 – *they exchanged the truth of God for a lie, and worshipped and served the creature rather than the Creator…***

**Consider**

* Pride is at the center of sinfulness
* Sinner’s love sinning with other sinners – Let Us go & sin together!
* Ps. 2:3 – *Let us tear their fetters apart and cast away their cords from us!*
* Pr. 1:11 – come with us, let us lie in wait for blood, let us ambush the innocent

1. **Sinful man’s rebellion 11:4**

*Let us build for ourselves a city…otherwise…we will be scattered abroad over the face of the whole earth*

1. God commanded man “to be fruitful and multiply and fill the earth”

Gen. 8:17 – that they may breed abundantly on the earth and be fruitful and multiply on the earth

Gen. 9:1 – *God blessed Noah and his sons and said to them, be fruitful and multiply and fill the earth*

1. Sinful man refused to obey God but remained together in cities rather than fill the earth – We will be scattered abroad over the face of the whole earth
2. Sinful man’s fear - obeying God & filling the earth - We will be scattered abroad over the face of the whole earth

To fill the earth requires **trust in God** – facing the unknown in the earth

To build cities and stay together **provided man’s assurance of security** **in mankind** **rather trust in God**

**Consider**

* **God’s purpose in creation was to populate the whole earth**
* **God’s purpose in creation was to control & have dominion over the earth**

1. **God’s response to man’s ambition & rebellion – 11:5 -9**
2. God saw the sinful ambition & rebellion in the city man built for himself
3. God **scattered them** over the face of the whole earth according to His purposes
4. God in mercy **confused the language of the people** to protect them from greater sinfulness with a universal language & religion
5. God gave the city man built for himself a name – **Babel = confusion**

**Babylon = the worldly enemy of God’s people**

Rev. 17:5 – *Babylon the great, the mother of harlots and of the abominations of the earth*

Rev. 18:2 – Fallen, fallen is Babylon the great! She has become a dwelling place of demons and a prison of every unclean spirit… **for all the nations** have drunk the wine of the passion of her immorality, and the kings of the earth have committed acts of immorality with her, and the merchants of the earth have become rich by the wealth of her sensuality

1. God stopped man from building a universal city without God

Man would go from bad to worse in universal pride & arrogance against God

Man would devise greater self – righteous ways to oppose God

Man in unity of sin becomes unwilling to obey God

1. In these last days mankind is moving toward a universal language, currency and leader in the anti – Christ!

Rev. 13 – The false prophet – 13:14 – 15 - *he deceives those who dwell on the earth*

Rev. 13:16 – *he causes all to be given a mark on their right hand or on their forehead and he provides that no will be able to buy or sell, except the one who has the mark*

1. This united world of nations will make war with Jesus Christ at His return

Rev. 19:19 – *I saw the beast and the kings of the earth and their armies assembled to make war against Him who sat on the horse and against His army*

**Consider**

* 1. The nations of the world under Satan’s control continue to reject and rebel against the Lord Jesus Christ

Ps. 2:1 – *Why are the nations in an uproar and the peoples devising a vain thing? The kings of the earth take their stand and the rulers take counsel together against the Lord and against His anointed, saying, Let us tear their fetters apart and cast away their cords from us!*

* 1. The Lord Jesus Christ will judge the nations when He returns

Matt. 25:32 – all the nations will be gathered before Him, and He will separate from one another, as the shepherd separated the sheep from the goats

* 1. The Lord Jesus Christ will rule the nations from Jerusalem

Rev. 19:15 – He will rule them with a rod of iron…

* 1. God nullifies according to His purposes the counsel of the nations

Ps. 33:10 – *the Lord nullifies the counsel of the nations and frustrates the plans of the peoples*

**Things to Remember & Do**

1. Jesus Christ is the ruler of the nations – Rev. 1:5
2. God’s purposes for the nations will be accomplished until the end of this age
3. God controls, blesses, frustrates & destroys the plans of the nations
4. One Day – Every knee will bow, & every tongue will confess that Jesus is Lord to the glory of God the Father – Confess Him as Lord today!

**To the praise of the glory of His grace! The Lord is near to the door! Come Lord Jesus!**