



Faith and Love C.O.G.I.C  
Bible Band

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**Background Reading:**

- ❖ Psalm 51:10
- ❖ Ecclesiastes 1:4-11
- ❖ Daniel 2:20-23
- ❖ Romans 12:2
- ❖ 2 Timothy 3:1-7
- ❖ 2 Peter 3:1-5

**Devotional Reading:**

- ❖ Genesis 11:1-9

## Background Reading

**Psalms 51:10** Create in me a clean heart, O God; and renew a right spirit within me.

### **Ecclesiastes 1:4-11**

**4** One generation passeth away, and another generation cometh: but the earth abideth for ever.

**5** The sun also ariseth, and the sun goeth down, and hasteth to his place where he arose.

**6** The wind goeth toward the south, and turneth about unto the north; it whirleth about continually, and the wind returneth again according to his circuits.

**7** All the rivers run into the sea; yet the sea is not full; unto the place from whence the rivers come, thither they return again.

## Background Reading

### Ecclesiastes 1:4-11

**8** All things are full of labour; man cannot utter it: the eye is not satisfied with seeing, nor the ear filled with hearing.

**9** The thing that hath been, it is that which shall be; and that which is done is that which shall be done: and there is no new thing under the sun.

**10** Is there any thing whereof it may be said, See, this is new? it hath been already of old time, which was before us.

**11** There is no remembrance of former things; neither shall there be any remembrance of things that are to come with those that shall come after.

## Background Reading

### Daniel 2:20-23

**20** Daniel answered and said, Blessed be the name of God for ever and ever: for wisdom and might are his:

**21** And he changeth the times and the seasons: he removeth kings, and setteth up kings: he giveth wisdom unto the wise, and knowledge to them that know understanding:

**22** He revealeth the deep and secret things: he knoweth what is in the darkness, and the light dwelleth with him.

**23** I thank thee, and praise thee, O thou God of my fathers, who hast given me wisdom and might, and hast made known unto me now what we desired of thee: for thou hast now made known unto us the king's matter.

## Background Reading

**Romans 12:2** And be not conformed to this world: but be ye transformed by the renewing of your mind, that ye may prove what is that good, and acceptable, and perfect, will of God.

### 2 Timothy 3:1-7

**1** This know also, that in the last days perilous times shall come.

**2** For men shall be lovers of their own selves, covetous, boasters, proud, blasphemers, disobedient to parents, unthankful, unholy,

**3** Without natural affection, trucebreakers, false accusers, incontinent, fierce, despisers of those that are good,

**4** Traitors, heady, highminded, lovers of pleasures more than lovers of God;

## Background Reading

### 2 Timothy 3:1-7

- 5** Having a form of godliness, but denying the power thereof: from such turn away.
- 6** For of this sort are they which creep into houses, and lead captive silly women laden with sins, led away with divers lusts,
- 7** Ever learning, and never able to come to the knowledge of the truth.

## **Background Reading**

### **2 Peter 3:1-5**

**1** This second epistle, beloved, I now write unto you; in both which I stir up your pure minds by way of remembrance:

**2** That ye may be mindful of the words which were spoken before by the holy prophets, and of the commandment of us the apostles of the Lord and Saviour:

**3** Knowing this first, that there shall come in the last days scoffers, walking after their own lusts,

**4** And saying, Where is the promise of his coming? for since the fathers fell asleep, all things continue as they were from the beginning of the creation.

**5** For this they willingly are ignorant of, that by the word of God the heavens were of old, and the earth standing out of the water and in the water:

## Devotional Reading

### Genesis 11:1-9

- 1** And the whole earth was of one language, and of one speech.
- 2** And it came to pass, as they journeyed from the east, that they found a plain in the land of Shinar; and they dwelt there.
- 3** And they said one to another, Go to, let us make brick, and burn them thoroughly. And they had brick for stone, and slime had they for mortar.
- 4** And they said, Go to, let us build us a city and a tower, whose top may reach unto heaven; and let us make us a name, lest we be scattered abroad upon the face of the whole earth.
- 5** And the Lord came down to see the city and the tower, which the children of men builded.

## Devotional Reading

### Genesis 11:1-9

**6** And the Lord said, Behold, the people is one, and they have all one language; and this they begin to do: and now nothing will be restrained from them, which they have imagined to do.

**7** Go to, let us go down, and there confound their language, that they may not understand one another's speech.

**8** So the Lord scattered them abroad from thence upon the face of all the earth: and they left off to build the city.

**9** Therefore is the name of it called Babel; because the Lord did there confound the language of all the earth: and from thence did the Lord scatter them abroad upon the face of all the earth.

## **Central Verse**

### **Hebrews 13:8**

**“Jesus Christ the same yesterday, and today,  
and for ever.”**

# **INTRODUCTION**

When God made the world, He created all the birds and animals. He created man in His image and made woman out of the rib that He took from man's side. The sun, moon, stars, the night, the day, mountains, rivers, oceans, valleys, and the entire world were made and were so wonderful. God declared that all was good. God established rules, regulations, and laws for man to live by and things were good. As mankind began to multiply and the population grew, things began to change. Man became discontent and began to look for other things to occupy his mind and his time.

# INTRODUCTION

In man's search for other things to occupy his mind and his life, he became acquainted with the Prince of the Air, the devil. The devil was an enemy of God, so he became an enemy of God's people. Mankind changes, but God never changes. He said, "For I am the Lord, I change not; therefore ye sons of Jacob are not consumed" (Malachi 3:6).

The wise man said in Ecclesiastes that when one generation passes away, another generation comes. With each generation comes new and different changes, some good and some bad. People must learn to adjust to changes and make the most of their lives. Having Jesus Christ in their lives, helps them to make the adjustments necessary to live a balanced, fulfilled life.

## **DISCUSSION**

Believers struggle to live for God, but they need to know that they are not alone in their struggle. God is always there to help them, despite the varied times they live in. God is a never-changing God, but He wants to shift things in the lives of believers and this generation, to bring about a fresh visitation, to have new openness, giving believers a deep brokenness, causing them to focus on Jesus. There are changes that God allows, and believers blame the devil for it. However, they need to know that God does not change His Holiness; He uses change to establish new purposes in the lives of believers.

## **DISCUSSION**

God's grace and kindness change everything. He needs more believers committed to kindness to become forces of good in their homes, work, and communities. The believer must remember that change, good or bad, doesn't happen overnight. It takes time. The Apostle Paul admonished believers to be transformed by the renewing of their minds, for he understood that it is with the mind that the believer serves God.

## **DISCUSSION**

Things have changed in the communities where people grew up. Most communities are no longer places where everyone knows each other or are related to each other. A lot of things have contributed to this change. People are receiving better and more education, which opens up the opportunity for better jobs in various places, leading to migration to other cities and communities.

## **DISCUSSION**

Believers cannot live for yesterday, as yesterday has passed, nor can they live for the future, as it is not promised to them. The only moment in time that they have is right now. They only have today, so they must change their perspective and think What can we do today? If a believer can change today, he can change his entire life. Believers can and should always change things in their world for the better, for they are change agents and have been empowered with power from on high.

## **DISCUSSION**

Daniel's life was full of changes. As a young man, he was taken captive from his home and all the things that were familiar to him. He had to learn, with the help of God and the prayer life he had developed, to be flexible in the changing world that he had become a part of. He learned to thank God for wisdom and might as he learned that God could and did change times and seasons. God is so powerful that He sets up and removes kings.

## **DISCUSSION**

The story of the Tower of Babel is one of a profound change. At the beginning of the story, men all over the known world spoke the same language and had one speech. They decided to build a tower that would reach into Heaven and make a name for themselves. They got together and they began to build. Everyone cooperated, and things were going fine. The people were so together that they got God's attention, and He decided to go down to see the city they were building. When God saw that the people had joined together as one, He decided that He must do something to stop them.

## **DISCUSSION**

At the time of the building of the tower, there was only one language, which all men spoke. But, because of mankind's determination to work together as one and build this tower, God confused their language, and they began to speak in different languages. This brought confusion, and the work had to stop. Because of this one change, many changes have come in the world.

## **CONCLUSION**

Peter reminded believers that changes would come in the last days and made them aware that they must prepare for those end-time changes. Various changes are being made in our country, the United States of America, because of the new administration leading the country. Policies and laws seem to be changing overnight, and many of them seem to be harmful to future generations.

# ESSENTIAL THOUGHT

**Most of the time, changes bring  
more changes, which requires  
believers to make adjustments.**

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# **NEXT LESSON**

**September 23, 2025**

**Lesson 4**

**The Treatment of Strangers**