



May 2nd, 2021
Genesis 11:1-9
Babel

SERMON NOTES

My takeaways:

Our sin is the _____ in thinking we could _____ apart from God and _____ ourselves to the place of God

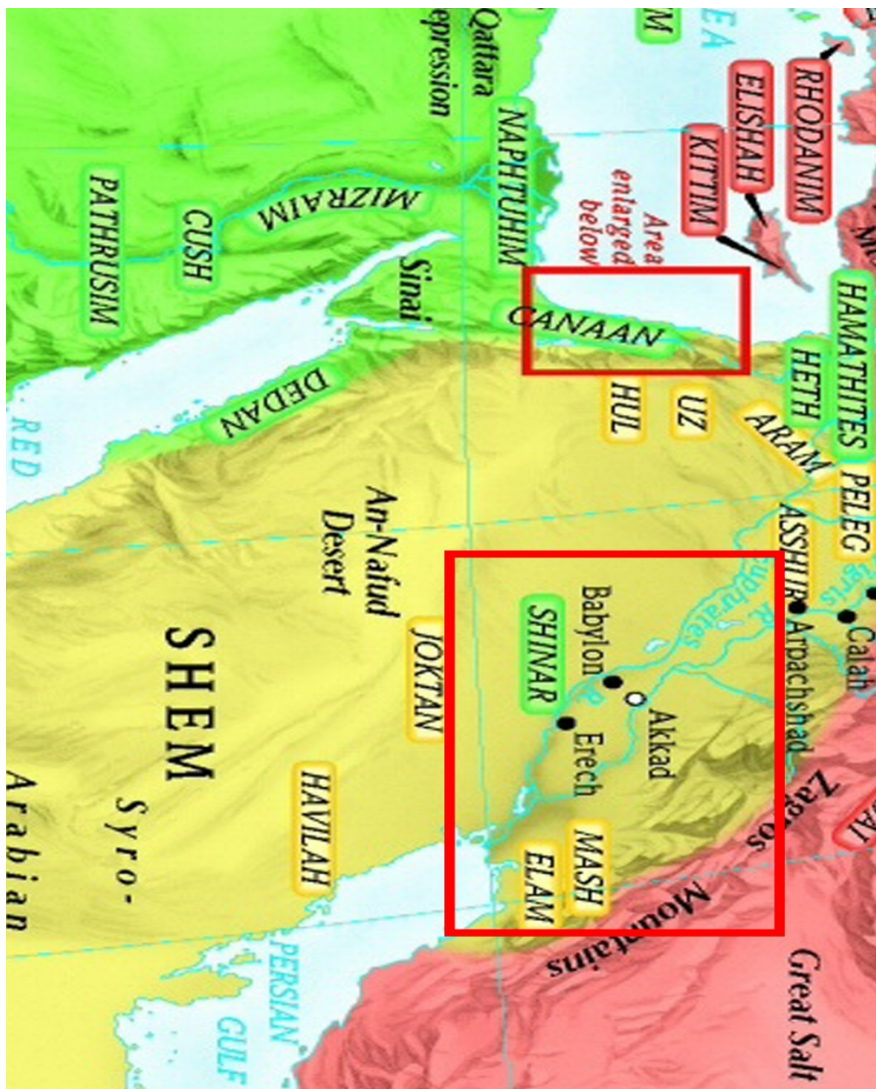
God will not _____ the _____ of man to succeed

God separated mankind by confusing their languages to _____ them and reveal his _____

Tools for Today:

We all have the Babylonian _____ and this is the root of my _____

I need to find my _____ in _____



- A "The whole earth had one language" (v 1)
- B "there" (v. 2)
- C "each other" (v 3)
- D "Come, let us make bricks" (v 3)
- E "let us build for ourselves" (v 4)
- F "a city and a tower"
- G "the LORD came down ... " (v 5)
- F1 "the city and the tower"
- E1 "which mankind had built"
- D1 "come ... let us mix up" (v 7)
- C1 "each other's language"
- B1 "from there" (v 8)
- A1 "the language of the whole earth" (v 9)

LIFE GROUP QUESTIONS

1. What insight, lesson, or observation from this weekend's message did you find to be the most helpful, eye-opening, or troubling? How was your experience with the Life Tool's this past week?

2. Read Genesis 11:1-4. What were the goals that the people had when they settled in the land of Shinar? What is wrong with the goals?

3. How has pride sometimes led you astray from God's purposes? How do we "settle in" in our own ways today?

4. Read Genesis 11:5-9. Why would it bother the Lord that "nothing they plan to do will be impossible for them"?

5. Read Daniel 4:30 and Acts 12:22. Based on the examples of Nebuchadnezzar and King Herod, how can we be sure to use our words to bring God glory instead of using them for our own? What kinds of speech should we avoid?

6. What do you learn about God's judgment and mercy from the story of the Tower of Babel?

7. Have you ever built a "tower" or "kingdom" for yourself only to have it shattered by God? What happened?

8. What other identities are you currently trying to make for yourself besides your identity in Christ?

LIFE TOOLS

Parents of Pre-K – 6th: Challenge your child to build a tower as tall as they can with whatever you can find around the house. After the tower is built, remind them of the story of the Tower of Babel and how God does not want us to make a name for ourselves and how we are supposed to only give God praise.