Lesson 33: People Build a Tower at Babel

<u>Genesis 11:1-9</u>

Youtube Link for Teachers: https://youtu.be/SUdyb1rw-O8

Children's Bible Story Video: https://youtu.be/sSnVmquDkqo

Worship Theme: God is all we need.

Memory Verse: "And my God will meet all your needs according to the riches of his glory in Christ Jesus." (Philippians 4:19)

Songs (Youtube links):

- 1. Let's us sing praise to the Lord https://youtu.be/gunBpYI_uog
- 2. One Two I Will Follow Jesus https://youtu.be/32BRXvDba4w
- 3. The Lord Looks at the Heart https://youtu.be/MRNo_yoVxno

Pray

Song: Select songs from the list above.

Icebreaker: "Let's Learn Spanish!"

មួយ - uno (អ៊ូណូ) ពីរ - dos (ដឹស) បី - tres(ព្រេស) បួន - quatro (ខ្វាត្រូ) ព្រាំ - cinco(ស៊ីនកូ)

- 1. Have the children stand in the middle of the classroom and explain to the children that when the teacher says a number from 1 to 5, they need to gather together in that number.
- 2. Explain to them that the teacher will say a number in Spanish instead of Khmer so they have to guess what the number is.
 - a. One uno
- b. Two dos
- c. Three tres
- d. Four quatro e. Five cinco
- 3. Don't tell them what the number is, but only let the groups that guess correctly stay in the game. Play until
- there are less than 3 children.
 4. After the game, ask the children how it felt to not understand a language. Then explain to the children that long time ago, people all spoke the same language and that they will learn why we have different languages today.



Introduction:

What are some things we need to stay alive? Food? Water? Clothes? House? There are many things that we need and many things that are important to us. But today, we will learn that God is all we really need because everything comes from God!

Bible Story:

Today's Bible story happens about 150 to 200 years after Noah's flood. God wanted people to understand that they need God because everything comes from God. God wanted people to trust him and grow in faith in him. However, as time passed, people showed no concern for glorifying or obeying God. They forgot that God was all they needed. They decided that instead of depending on God, they were going to make themselves famous.

Some people who lived in Babel decided they wanted to build a tower to show how good and important they were. They started to make bricks and began to make a very tall tower. They thought they were strong and important.

God saw what the people at Babel were building. He knew that if he let these people continue to build the tower, they will think they can depend on themselves instead of depending on God. God loved the people very much. He didn't want the people to forget him, so God decided he needed to stop them from building the tower.

At the time, everyone spoke the same language. Everyone at Babel could understand each other. So God changed the languages of everyone. When the people began to speak in different languages, they couldn't understand each other. When the people

couldn't understand each other, they had to stop building the tower, and they were scared.

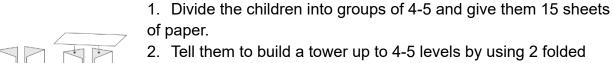
They finally realized that they are powerless and that God is powerful. The people of Babel found out that it's better to depend on God than to depend on themselves. They didn't need a big tower. What they really needed was God. God is all we need, too. He'll give us everything we need. Let's thank God for giving us everything we need.

Questions to discuss:

- 1. Why did people in Babel want to build a tall tower? (they forgot God was all they needed; to make themselves famous and important)
- 2. Why did God stop them from building the tower? (God wanted to remind them that God was all they needed)
- 3. How did God stop them from building the tower? (God made everyone speak different languages)
- 4. What is one thing that we all need in life? (We need God)

Game: "Build a Tall Tower"

Materials Needed: papers (can cut into small sizes)



- papers as base and one paper on the top.

 3. The first group to finish wins the game, but wait for everyone
- to finish building up to 4-5 levels.
- 4. After all groups are done, explain to the children that people think they can do everything on their own but whatever we

make have no power.

- 5. Have the children blow at their tower to make it fall.
- 6. Explain to the children that without God's help, everything that we do becomes meaningless. We cannot do anything without God. God is all we need.



Memory Verse:

"And my God will meet all your needs according to the riches of his glory in Christ Jesus." (Philippians 4:19)

Craft: "Tower of Babel - God Is All We Need" Materials Needed: Print coloring page, crayons

- 1. Give the printed coloring page to each child and have them draw what they think the Tower of Babel looked like.
- 2. Have them color their Tower of Babel and write the memory verse.

Song: Select songs from the list above

Pray

Teacher's Devotion (Please read before you get ready to teach the students.) In all our decisions and experiences, we need God. God meets our needs through Jesus, who fulfills our greatest needs for mercy, love, and eternal life. How are you depending on God? Allow others to see you depending on God. Showing others how God helps you is a great testimony to others who are struggling. Consider how you can use your life to show your students that God always takes care of them.

Tower of Babel - "God Is All We Need"

Draw a Tower of Babel						
Memory Verse:						

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