

Now the whole earth
had one language and
the same words.

Genesis 11:1

And as people migrated
from the east, they
found a plain in the
land of Shinar and
settled there.

Genesis 11:2

And they said to one
another, "Come, let
us make bricks, and
burn them thoroughly."
And they had brick for
stone, and bitumen
for mortar.

Genesis 11:3

Then they said, "Come,
let us build ourselves
a city and a tower with
its top in the heavens,
and let us make a name
for ourselves, lest we be
dispersed over the face
of the whole earth."

Genesis 11:4

And the LORD came
down to see the city
and the tower, which
the children of man
had built.

Genesis 11:5

And the LORD said,
"Behold, they are
one people, and they
have all one language,
and this is only the
beginning of what they
will do. And nothing
that they propose to do
will now be impossible
for them."

Genesis 11:6

"Come, let us go down
and there confuse their
language, so that they
may not understand
one another's speech."

Genesis 11:7

So the LORD dispersed
them from there over
the face of all the
earth, and they left off
building the city.

Genesis 11:8

Therefore its name
was called Babel,
because there the LORD
confused the language
of all the earth. And
from there the LORD
dispersed them over
the face of all the earth.

Genesis 11:9