THE GREAT DIVISION OF MANKIND
Genesis 10:1–11:9

Their future having been foretold by their father, the sons of Noah began to fulfill these predictions as their lives continued in the days following the flood. Read about these events as you study the following:

A. The Sons of Noah: Read Genesis 10:1

1. How many sons did Noah have? Genesis 10:1a_____Name them:

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2. What happened to them after the flood? Genesis 10:1b

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B. The Descendent of Japheth: Read Genesis 10:2-5

1. How many sons did Japheth have? Genesis 10:2. Notice that they occupied the "Isles of the Gentiles", Genesis 10:5. Look for similar expressions in Isaiah 11:11; 20:6; and Jeremiah 25:22, and notice that they include not only islands, but lands accessible by sea. Therefore, who in general was descended from Japheth? *(THINK!)*

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C. The Descendents of Ham: Read Genesis 10:6-20

1. What son of Ham's son, Cush, became very famous, and why? Genesis 10:8,9

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2. What was the beginning of his kingdom? Genesis 10:10a

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3. In what place did he live? Genesis 10:10b (Locate this place on a map)

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4. What man went out of that land and built the city of Nineveh? Genesis 10:11 (Locate this on a map)

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5. Pick out one name from Genesis 10:14 which sounds a bit similar to something related to the story of David and the giant:

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6. Notice the descendants of Canaan, in Genesis 10:15-18. You will come across them again in your later study of the Bible.
7. What were the borders of the Canaanites' territory? Genesis 10:19
   (Locate this on a map)

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8. What two very famous cities were within their territory? Genesis 10:19b

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D. The Descendents of Shem: Read Genesis 10:21-32

1. With which of the descendants of Shem is his name especially linked at the beginning of the list of his descendants? Genesis 10:21a

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2. What great event took place in the days of one of his sons? Genesis 10:25

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3. Where was their dwelling? Genesis 10:30 (Locate this on a map)

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NOTE: It is generally agreed that the descendants of Japheth peopled Asia Minor and Europe; the Hamites peopled Africa; and the Shemites (or Semites) peopled the Near East.

E. The Behavior of Mankind After the Flood: Read Genesis 11:1-9

1. How were the people after Noah's day different from those of our day? Genesis 11:1

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2. What did they decide to do? Genesis 11:4a

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   a. Build what two things?_____
   b. Do what else?_____

3. Why did they want to do this? Genesis 11:4b

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4. Was this in keeping with the commandment God had given them? Genesis 9:1

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5. Was this in accordance with God's purpose in making them in the first place? (See Revelation 4:11; 1 Corinthians 10:31)

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6. What did God decide to do? Genesis 11:7

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   NOTE: Confound means to throw into confusion.

7. What happened to all the people as a result? Genesis 11:8a

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8. What happened to the plans which they had made? Genesis 11:8b

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QUESTIONS FOR ME TO THINK ABOUT:

1. What should the people who lived after Noah's day have considered before they planned what they would do?

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2. Are my plans and actions based on God's commandments, or simply on my own desires? Will God have to defeat any of the plans I have made for my life? (See James 4:13-15)

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