

Notes about this study

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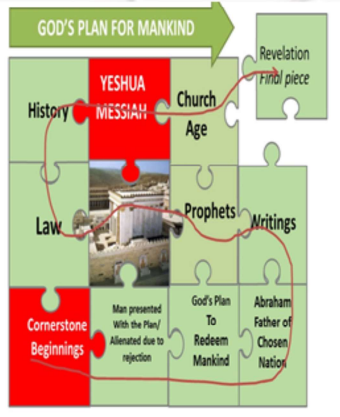
It may contain information not covered in the group study.

Additional information can be found in the speaker notes below

My references (sources) may be incomplete. I will be more diligent in the future to include all resources used in my research.

Babylon/America

A Spiritual Battle Ephesians 6:10-18



It is important to recognize that we are in a spiritual battle that began in Genesis.

We need to approach any study of the end times with caution. So much is happening and there are so many elements that are a part of the end times prophecies.

Satan is the great deceiver and

DECEPTION

*Satan the Master
Deceiver*



Genesis 3:4-5

The serpent said to the woman, You surely will not die! For God knows that in the day you eat from it your eyes will be opened, and you will be like God, knowing good and evil.

1 Timothy 2:14

And Adam was not deceived, but the woman being deceived, fell into transgression.

Deuteronomy 11:16

Take heed to yourselves, lest your heart be deceived, and you turn aside and serve other gods and worship them,

John 8:44

You are of your father the devil, and you want to do the desires of your father. He was a murderer from the beginning, and does not stand in the truth because there is no truth in him. Whenever he speaks a lie, he speaks from his own nature, for he is a liar and the father of lies.

2 Corinthians 11:14

No wonder, for even Satan disguises himself as an angel of light.

2 Corinthians 11:3

But I am afraid that, as the serpent deceived Eve by his craftiness, your minds will be led astray from the simplicity and purity of devotion to Christ.

Ephesians 6:11

Put on the full armor of God, so that you will be able to stand firm against the schemes of the devil.

Revelation 12:9

And the great dragon was thrown down, the serpent of old who is called the devil and Satan, who deceives the whole world; he was thrown down to the earth, and his angels were thrown down with him.

Revelation 20:3

and he threw him into the abyss, and shut it and sealed it over him, so that he would not deceive the nations any longer, until the thousand years were completed; after these things he must be released for a short time.

2 Thessalonians 2:9-10

9 The coming of the lawless one is by the activity of Satan with all power and false signs and wonders, 10 and with all wicked deception for those who are perishing, because they refused to love the truth and so be saved.

- ***Satan the Deceiver***

Israel and Christians are the primary subject of his deception.

- ***What empowers Christians see through this?***

- ***Can Jews see through Satan's deceptions?***

- ***John 12:37-40***

- ***How is Satan Deceiving The Nations?***

Amir Tsafarti – "The Last Hour"

From Amir Tsafarti's book "The Last Hour"

1. Satan is the Master Deceiver with Israel and Christians as his primary subject of deception
2. Christians can see this because our truth comes from God's word and is taught to us by the Holy Spirit.
3. Jews see the falsehoods through a different lens
 - A. Their blindness is from a different source
 - a) John 12:40 – God has blinded their eyes and hardened their hearts.

Satan's deception of the nations regarding Israel.

That Israel is not God's people anymore.

- a. God told Israel they are a specially Chosen People – Deuteronomy 14:2
- b. They are intimately and protectively loved by Him – Zechariah 2:8

Satan has convinced the nations that God has forsaken His people. Many Jews also believe this.

Often when the Jews faced an opposing nation, believing that God wasn't on their side,

they turned somewhere else for safety.

e.g. When facing the Assyrian Empire they turned to Egypt for help. Isaiah 31:1

God wants to help but His people turn to the world instead of Him.

God has an eternal deep passionate love for Israel. Isaiah 49:14-16

The New Testament reaffirms this –

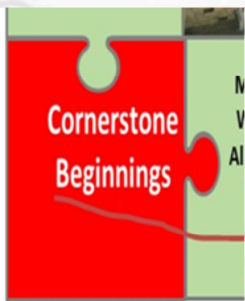
- Jesus was Jewish
- The same God who inspired Isaiah to write inspired Paul to write Romans 11:1

A Tale of 3 Families Genesis 10

Noah
Japheth

Noah
Ham
Cush
Nimrod

Noah
Shem
Terah
Abram



All the nations of the world sprung from these 3 families (Genesis 10:32)

Tower of Babel (Chapter 11) took place during the timespan of these generations.

A Tale of 2 Cities

Babel/Babylon

- Genesis 10:10
- Genesis 11:1,9

Salem (4)

- Genesis 14:18
- Psalm 76:2
- Hebrews 7:1-2



Nimrod

Babylon 11:9

- 275 References

Melchizedek

Jerusalem

- 791 References

Babel / The Problem

- God's Command
- Genesis 9:2, 7, 19

This command is followed by giving the genealogy of Noah and his sons.

Babel / The Problem

- **The Genealogy -Genesis 10**
 - 70 Nations listed
 - Gentile Nations
 - Goy = Hebrew
 - Shabbat Goy

Babel / The Problem

- **Man's initial response**
 - **Genesis 11: 1-4**
 - **Rebelling against God's command**
- **Leader - Nimrod -**
 - **Genesis 10:8-10**

Babel / The Problem

- **Nimrod**
- **Son of Cush**
 - **Grandson of Ham**
- **A mighty Hunter**
 - **What could this mean?**

Babel / The Problem

- **Nimrod**
- **Root word = we will rebel, to be a rebel, or let us revolt (H.C. Leupold, Exposition of Genesis)**

Babel / The Problem

- **Nimrod**
 - **Mighty one**
 - Hebrew = “Gibbor”
 - **Powerful**
 - **Mighty**
 - **Champion**
 - **Tyrant**
 - **Giant**

Because of the context I lean to the Tyrant/Giant translation

Babel / The Problem

- **Tyrant / Giant**
- **Cp. Genesis 6:1-4**
- **Sons of God**
- **Bene Elohim**
- **Job 1:6; 2:1, 38:7**
- **Psalms 89:6**
- **Jude 5-7**

"I personally hold to the understanding that the "Sons of God," which is the term "Bene Elohim," are, in fact, angels, and those angels came down and commingled with the "Daughters of Men." We find in Verse 4 that this union happened, and they had children together.

As crazy as that sounds, please understand there is a reason God destroyed all flesh on the planet with the flood except Noah and his family. But I will come back to that. The thing I want you to know is that the term used in Genesis 6, "Sons of God" or "Bene Elohim," while not used often, when it is used elsewhere in the book of Job it is speaking of angels, not men, not humans, but angels, and direct creations of God."

Sondermann, Martin . Star-Spangled Babylon: Is America's Destiny Foretold in Scripture? (p. 67). Hisroad Publishing. Kindle Edition.

Note on Deuteronomy 32:8 - sons of God according to the Masoretic text found in the Dead Sea Scrolls reads "sons of Israel."

Jude 5-7

Jude quotes the book of Enoch. Enoch is not a part of the canon of scripture primarily because "The Book of Enoch is any of several [pseudepigraphal](#) works that

attribute themselves to Enoch, the great-grandfather of Noah; that is, Enoch son of Jared ([Genesis 5:18](#)). A piece of ancient literature is a pseudepigraphon if it makes false claims as to authorship. A pseudepigraphon will purport to have a (usually) well-known author, but its claims are unfounded.

The biblical book of Jude quotes from chapter 1 of the Book of Enoch in [Jude 1:14–15](#), “Enoch, the seventh from Adam, prophesied about these men: ‘See, the Lord is coming with thousands upon thousands of his holy ones to judge everyone, and to convict all the ungodly of all the ungodly acts they have done in the ungodly way, and of all the harsh words ungodly sinners have spoken against him.’” Jude’s quotation does not mean the Book of Enoch is inspired by God or that it should be in the Bible.

Jude’s quote is not the only quote in the Bible from a non-biblical source. The apostle Paul quotes Epimenides in [Titus 1:12](#), but that does not mean we should give any additional authority to Epimenides’ writings. The same is true with [Jude 1:14–15](#). Jude quoting from the Book of Enoch does not indicate the entire Book of Enoch is inspired, or even true. All it means is that particular passage of Enoch is true. It is interesting to note that no scholars believe the Book of Enoch to have truly been written by the Enoch in the Bible. Enoch was seven generations from Adam, prior to the flood ([Genesis 5:1–24](#)). Evidently, though, the words Jude quotes were genuinely something that Enoch prophesied—or the Bible would not attribute it to him: “Enoch, the seventh from Adam, prophesied about these men” ([Jude 1:14](#)). This saying of Enoch was somehow handed down through the generations and eventually recorded in the Book of Enoch.

We should treat the Book of Enoch (and the other books like it) in the same manner we do the other apocryphal writings. Some of what the [Apocrypha](#) says is true and correct, but much of it is false and historically inaccurate. If you read these books, you should consider them interesting but fallible historical documents, not as the inspired, authoritative Word of God.

[What is the book of Enoch and should it be in the Bible? | GotQuestions.org](#)

Babel / The Problem

- **Nimrod - What we know for sure, he was:**
 - **Wicked**
 - **Evil**
 - **A tyrant**
 - **1st ruler of the evil kingdom**

“Why are you spending time on this Nimrod?” You ask. “Because it is so very important to understand who the first ruler of the original “Harlot” was. The “Mother of Harlots,” a city called Babel in the land that would become Babylon. Because I believe it’s on this foundation the last “Harlot” will be built. We read in Verse 10, just after describing who Nimrod was, it tells us of the beginning of his kingdom. It reads, “And the beginning of his kingdom was Babel, and Erech, and Accad, and Calneh, in the land of Shinar.”

The modern-day location of Shinar is Iraq, with some of it extending to Kuwait and small parts of Iran. This is where the infamous “Tower of Babel” was built, in the city of Babel in modern-day Iraq. If you know anything about that area, it is desert. It is not surrounded by “many waters,” as previously noted. But, again, we will come back to that.

The Act of Rebellion

Nimrod, who was a rebel, a tyrant, and a wicked man, we learn in Genesis 11, began to openly rebel against God. But, remember, his family was cursed by Noah to be the servant of servants to his brethren. So, I am sure that story had been passed down among the generations. However, Nimrod, as a foreshadowing of the Antichrist, would obviously not be a servant. Instead, he would seek to rule over not only his brethren but all of mankind, which would have been various degrees of cousins, aunts, uncles, etc. Because remember, the earth was to be repopulated with the offspring of Noah’s three sons and their wives. And so we see Genesis 11 starts with describing this place, Babel. We know from Genesis

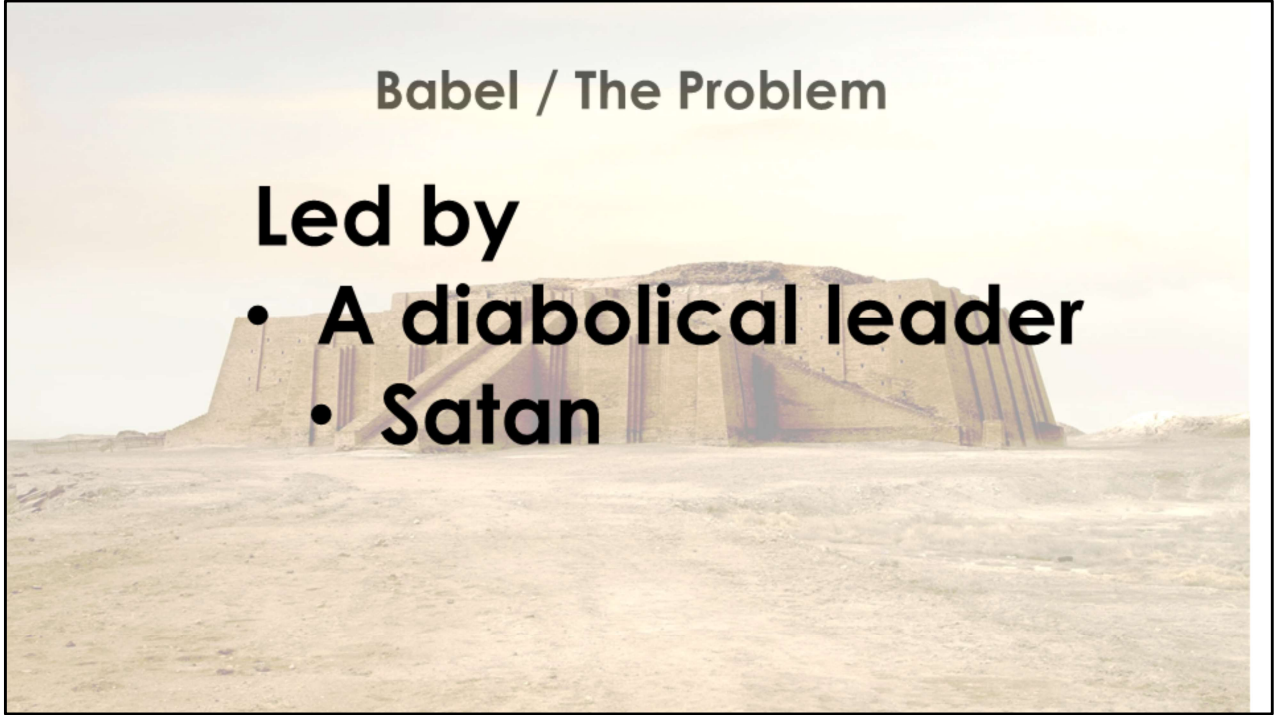
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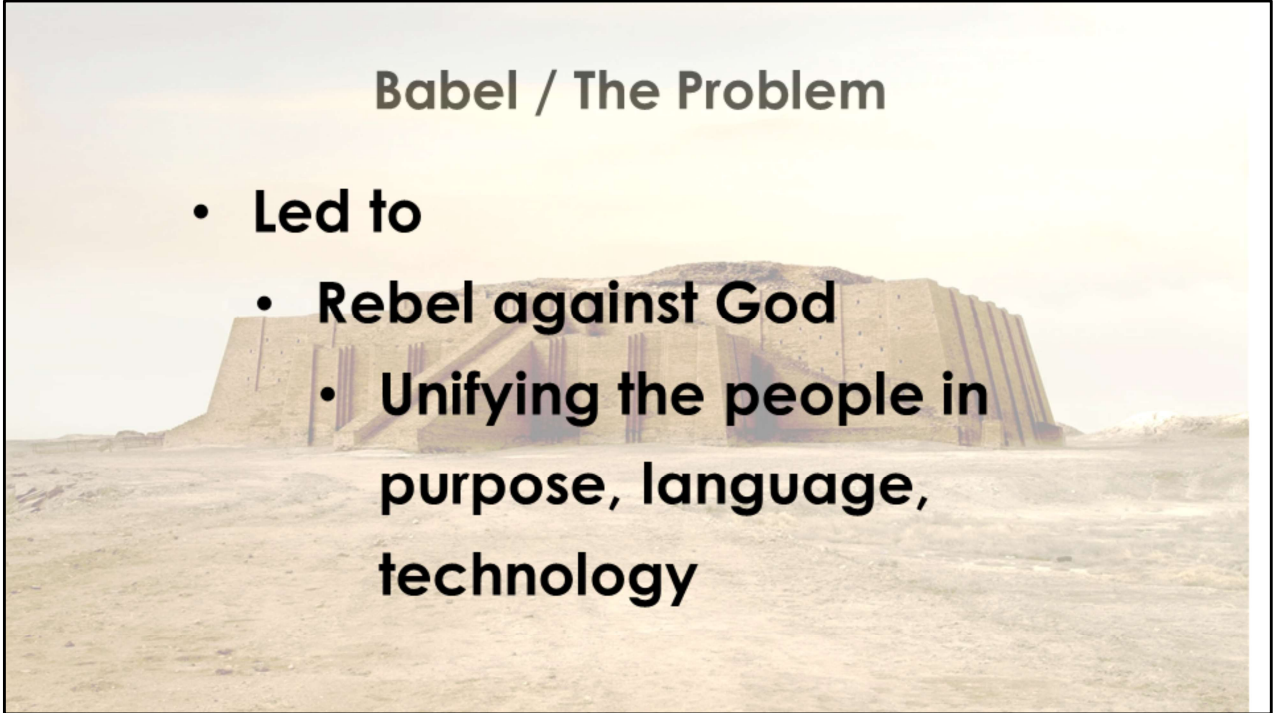
Led by

- **A diabolical leader**
- **Satan**



Babel / The Problem

- Led to
 - Rebel against God
 - Unifying the people in purpose, language, technology



Babel / The Problem

**People with the imagination
and means to create anything
they put their wicked minds to.**

Babel / The Problem

Genesis 11:6

- **Nothing Restrained**
- **Whatever their evil minds imagine**

Compare this with:

Genesis 6:9

Romans 1:18-32

Babel / The Problem

- **Nimrod - foreshadowed the Antichrist**
- **Babylon - Gateway to the Gods**

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What Do we Do?

- **Don't Give up**
- **Salt and Light**



What Do we Do?

- **Seek Truth**
- **Word of God**



What Do we Do?

- **Stand your ground**



What Do we Do?

- **Jesus is the answer!**

