

Scripture reference: A giant staircase to heaven

Story summary: The people wanted to build a tower because they thought they could get to heaven by themselves. They thought they did not need God. Because this is not true and because God loved them, He stopped them by giving them all different languages so they could not understand one another.

Optional Lesson Strengthening: Invite a few volunteers in front of the group. Ask one volunteer to think of a phrase or word and to whisper it into the next volunteers ear. The last person in the line must repeat the phrase or word out loud. Allow a moment for giggles if the message was "broken" or changed. The player who started must announce the correct phrase or word. Say: Even when we speak the same language, it is easy to misunderstand what someone else is saying. We came up with some funny phrases, but for the builders of the tower it was not funny. They quarrelled and fought and so had to stop building. God wanted them to see that the way to heaven is not a tower; it is a person. It is Jesus.

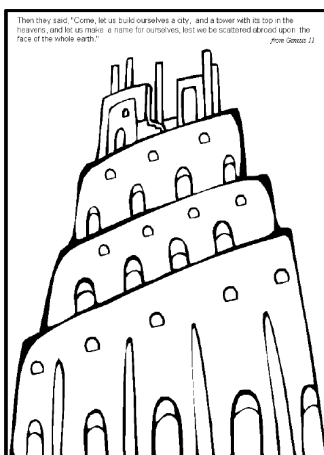
Activities:

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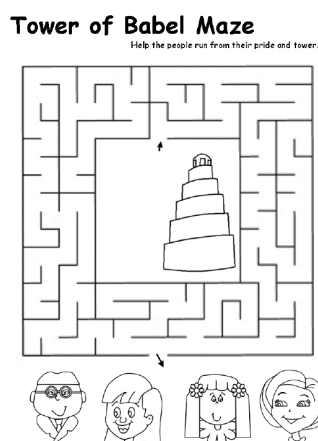
- Template
- Colouring in crayons or pencils
- Eraser

Further discussion: God has given us the freedom to make our own choices, whether we will follow His ways or follow our own. He shows us over and over that those who are wise will follow God's plans. He also gave us the Bible with stories like the Tower of Babel that teach us that if God is not involved in our plans, our plans will fail.

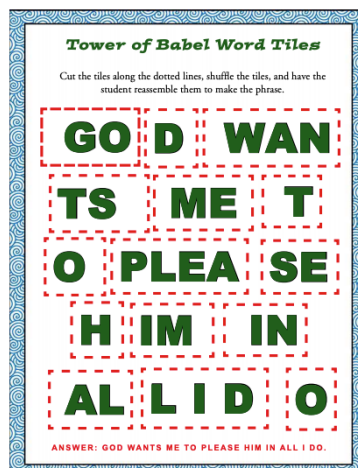
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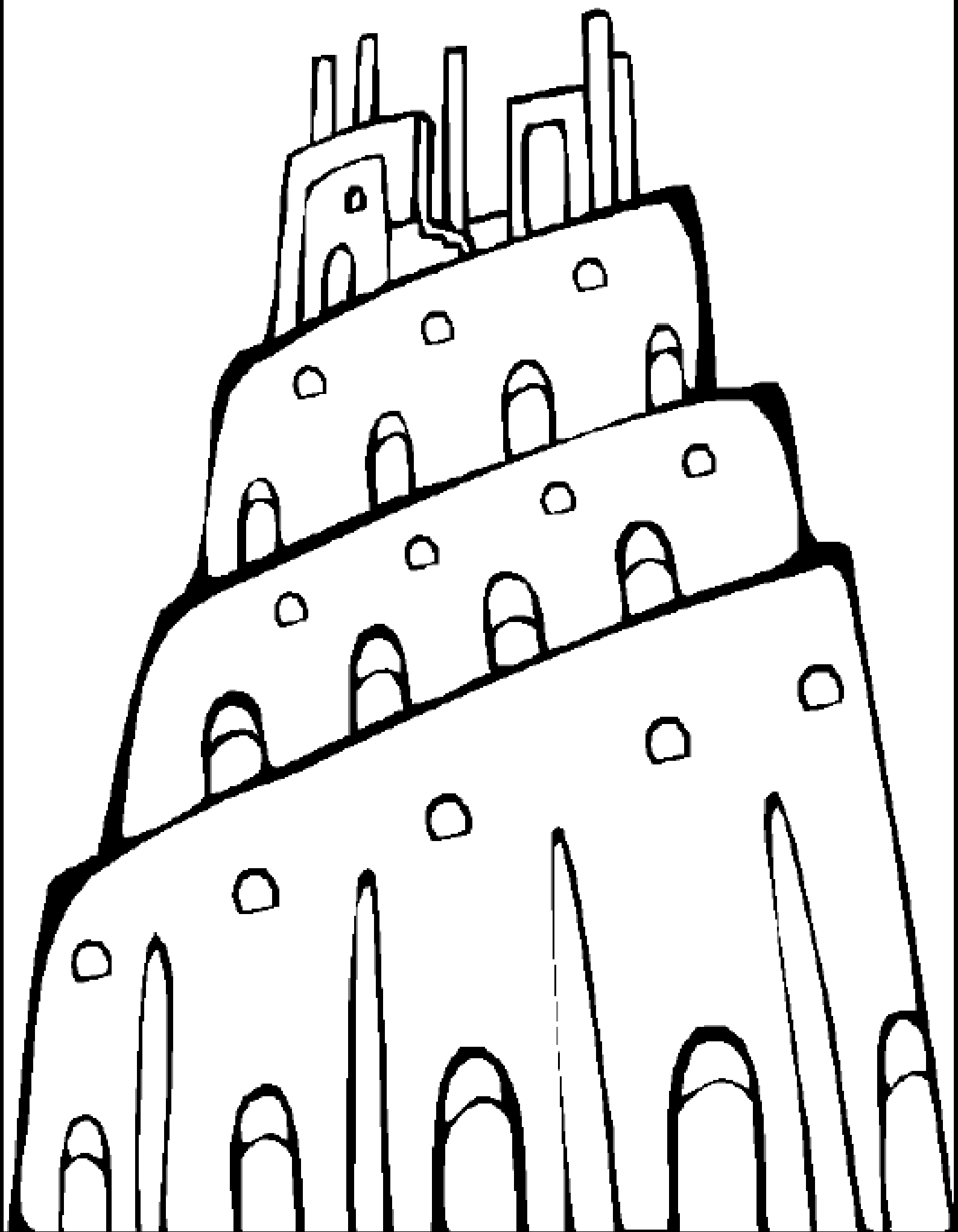


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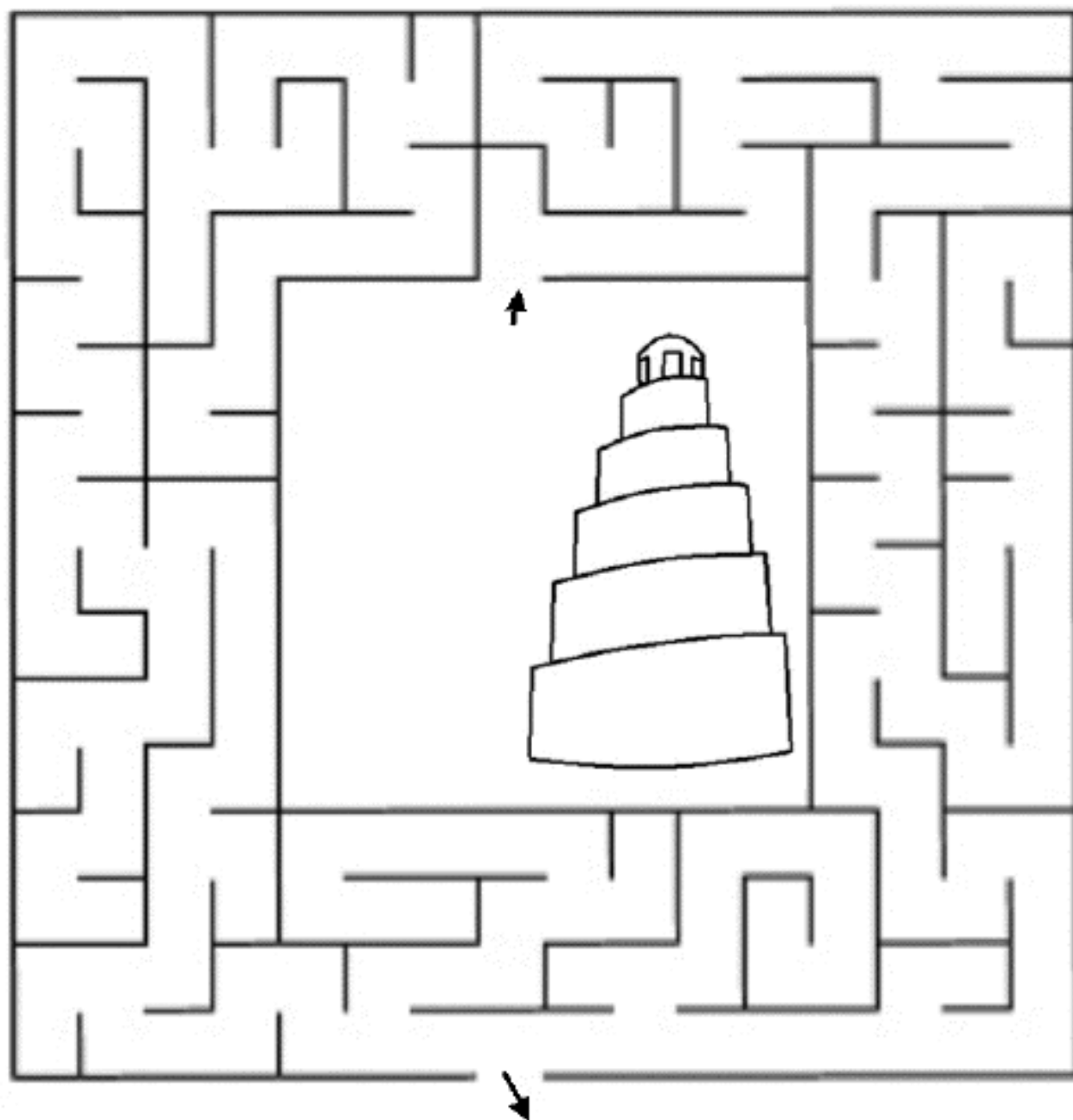
Then they said, "Come, let us build ourselves a city, and a tower with its top in the heavens, and let us make a name for ourselves, lest we be scattered abroad upon the face of the whole earth."

from Genesis 11



Tower of Babel Maze

Help the people run from their pride and tower.



Tower of Babel Word Tiles

Cut the tiles along the dotted lines, shuffle the tiles, and have the student reassemble them to make the phrase.

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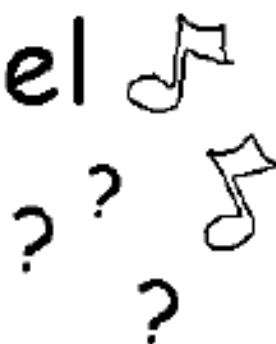
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ANSWER: GOD WANTS ME TO PLEASE HIM IN ALL I DO.

Unscramble the letters to find the words in our

Tower of Babel

Anagram



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bcikr _____

cfinnosu _____

aeahnv _____

aaegtwy _____

bdilu _____

aaeglnsu _____

deipr _____

acdeerstt _____

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