



WARM UP QUESTION: What things in your life would you like to have customized? Why?

READ: Genesis 11:1-9

FOCUS: Are you building a customizable god, or are you building with God?

OBSERVE:

- We all have had faulty customization mentality. We try to make ourselves god and displace the true God from the throne of our lives.
- God's initial plan in creation was to bless humans and for us to be fruitful and multiply. God always wants to bless us and to empower us to prosper according to His design and will. However, man committed treason against God and His plan by increasingly rebelling against Him and committing sin. The Tower of Babel was a tower designed and built by the people in Genesis 11 as an attempt to reach the heavens and to bring them glory while rebelling against God.
- Unlike the people in Genesis 11 who built according to their own plan and desire to be god, we must first consult God. How can you know what and how to build our lives if we do not first know the One who designed us?
- The second question we must ask is, do we know how the King wants to build with us? God have given us an active role to play because of His great love. He desires to build a life for us grounded in a relationship with Him. Do we build according to what seems right in our own eyes or do we rely on God, the master builder?
- Thirdly, we must ask ourselves is a heart-check question. Are we motivated to make our name great or God's name great? If we are seeking our own glory, we will always build a god in our own likeness, which is self-worship. Jesus gives us a model to follow in John 5 when He says, "I am not seeking my will, but the will of the One who sent me." Does our life reflect my will be done or His will be done?

TAKING ACTION:

- We must submit to the King. This begins with repentance. We have to reject the life/god we have tried to build and acknowledge the God who reigns as King.
- If we want to know how to build according to God's plan and to build with Him, we must read our Bible everyday. Furthermore, we need to surround ourselves with others building with God. A great way to do this is in a Life Group.

REFLECT:

- Are there any ways that you have tried to customize God to fit into what you want Him to be?
- Do you seek God as you are building your life? Do you know His voice enough to hear His blueprint for your life?

PRAY: *Father, thank you that You are the master builder and King. Help me to build a life according to your design and a life firmly build upon Jesus Christ, the cornerstone. Holy Spirit empower me to hear your blueprint for my life and to build a life that brings You glory. Amen*