

## Lesson 5: A Giant Staircase to Heaven

### Opening Activity:

**Ask:** Imagine how confusing it would be if we all spoke a different language? *Have the kids turn to a neighbor and try to have a conversation using made up words.* Very confusing right?.

**Share:** There are thousands of languages all over the world today! I have here a list of many different ways to say hello! Would you like to hear some of them? *First you can ask if anyone knows how to say hello in another language. If no one volunteers, you can say hello in Spanish, French, and Japanese and see if any of the kids can guess the language. Otherwise, just share some of them and have the kids practice saying them to each other.*

**Share:** We have all these languages all over the world now. At one time, according to the Bible, everyone on earth spoke the same language! Let's hear what happened.

### Bible Story:

**Read:** "A Giant Staircase to Heaven" pg. 48 in *The Jesus Storybook Bible*

### Activity

**You will need:** a set of blocks, or something that you can create a tower with.

**Introduce:** Can you imagine how tall the tower in our story must have been? How tall do you think it was? Let's work together to build a tall tower of our own. *If the tower falls quickly, you can make a few attempts. After you finish, have all the blocks put away and have the kids sit back down.*

**Share:** It can be really fun to build a tall tower! But the people in our Bible story were building a tall tower for all the wrong reasons. When we try to go our own way and make something great only for ourselves and not for others, it won't work out.

### Closing Prayer

God, thank You for always helping us when we ask. We know that we will make mistakes. Thank you that You forgive us when we do. **Amen.**

### Alternate Activity

Instead of building the tower out of blocks, you can build one out of snack items like crackers, square pretzels, or any other food that you think would work. When the tower is finished, you can eat it as a snack while continuing with the lesson.

*\* For Parents to read to themselves.*

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## Hello in Many Languages

French → Bonjour

Spanish → Hola

Russian → Privet

Chinese → Nǐ hǎo

Italian → Ciao

Japanese → Konnichiwa

German → Guten Tag

Korean → Anyoung

Arabic → Asalaam alaikum (Peace be upon you)

Danish → Goddag