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The **Wrong** Way to **Build** ...







The ~~Wrong~~ Way to **Build** a Church

The **Right Way**
to **Build** a Church

Genesis 11:1-9

Genesis 11:1-2

Now the whole world had one language and a common speech. ²As people moved eastward, they found a plain in Shinar and settled there.

Genesis 11:8

So the LORD scattered them from there
over all the earth, and they **stopped**
building the city.

1. Consult God first.

Genesis 11:3a

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They said to **each other**,

Matthew 6:33

But seek **first** his kingdom and his righteousness, and all these **things** will be given to you as well.

2. Change your insides first.

Genesis 11:3b

Genesis 11:3

They said to each other, “Come, **let’s**
make **bricks** and bake them thoroughly.”

They used brick instead of **stone**,
and tar for mortar.

3. Credit Jesus with progress.

Genesis 11:4

Genesis 11:4a

Then they said, “Come, let us build **ourselves** a city, with a tower that reaches to the heavens, so that we may make a **name for ourselves**;

Genesis 11:4b

otherwise we will be scattered
over the face of the whole earth.”

4. Choose Jesus' plans.

Genesis 11:5-6

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But the **LORD** came down to see the city
and the tower the people were building.

Genesis 11:6

The **LORD** said, “If as one people speaking the same language they have begun to do this, then nothing **they plan** to do will be impossible for them.

Jeremiah 29:11-12

For I know the **plans** I have for you,” declares the LORD, “**plans** to prosper you and not to harm you, **plans** to give you hope and a future. ¹²Then you will call on me and come and pray to me, and I will listen to you.

Jeremiah 29:13

You will seek me and find me
when you seek me with all your heart.

5. Cancel all confusion.

Genesis 11:7-9

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Come, let us go down and **confuse**
their language so they will not
understand each other.”

Genesis 11:8

So the LORD scattered them from
there over all the earth, and
they **stopped building** the city.

Genesis 11:9

That is why it was called **Babel**—
because there the LORD **confused**
the language of the whole world.
From there the LORD scattered them
over the face of the whole earth.

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2. **Change** your **insides** first.
3. **Credit** Jesus with **progress**.
4. **Choose** Jesus' **plans**.
5. **Cancel** all **confusion**.

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Is God's Way –
All **Hands** On Deck